# **Welcome to FVTC's Veterans Resource Center!**

Fox Valley Technical College thanks you for your sacrifices in your service to the United States, and for allowing us to help you further your education.

If you are a veteran, family member or survivor of a veteran, reservist or member of the National Guard, you may be eligible for federal or state educational veterans benefits. Our Veterans Resource Center staff can help you determine your eligibility and assist you with the application process.

FVTC is a Military Friendly School, earning a silver seal in 2022-23.

## **Get started today!**

#### **FVTC Veterans Resource Center**

VA School Certifying Official • Veterans Education Benefits Specialist Appleton Campus, Room E119 (entrance 10) 1825 N. Bluemound Drive P.O. Box 2277 Appleton, WI 54912-2277 Phone: 920-735-5651 • FAX: 920-735-5763 veterans@fvtc.edu www.fvtc.edu/Veterans

#### FVTC Academic & Resource Advisor – Veterans Support

Appleton Campus, Room E119A Bill Trombley Phone: 920-735-4853 • email: william.trombley4855@fvtc.edu

For a complete list of online resources, including links to download military transcript requests and much more, visit **www.fvtc.edu/Veterans**.



## **Applying for VA Education Benefits**

### Federal

- 1. Apply online at www.va.gov.
- 2. Submit the following items to FVTC Veterans Resource Center:
  - a. Discharge Papers (DD-214) (member 4)
  - b. Federal Certificate of Eligibility (COE)
  - c. Kicker Documentation (if applicable)
  - d. VA form 22-1995
- (only if you've previously used GI benefits at another institution) 3. Licensing and Certification information:
- www.benefits.va.aov/aibill/licensing\_certfication.asp

#### Wisconsin GI Bill

- 1. Apply online at https://applications.dva.wisconsin.gov/myWisVets
- 2. Submit the following documents to FVTC Veterans Resource Center: a. WDVA 2029 Form — the state will submit a WDVA 2031
  - (Certificate of Eligibility) to FVTC
  - b. Veteran: DD-214 (member 4), spouse (marriage certificate), children (birth certificate)

## What You Need to Know About Using VA Education Benefits at FVTC

- After enrolling in either an associate degree, technical diploma or certificate program, you must submit a certification request form to your school certifying officials prior to each semester.
- You must also notify Veterans Resource Center of changes to your schedule immediately. Failure to do so could slow down your payment which will cause repayment issues.
- 3. Make sure all of your courses are in your Program Plan. VA will only pay for courses that are required for graduation.
- 4. VA pays from the start date to the end date for your courses. If you are enrolled in short/accelerated courses, your payments may change throughout the semester.
- 5. If eligible for book stipends, be prepared to pay for your books out-of-pocket. The direct deposit may not be deposited in time. The Cengage charge on your account is a digital resource that takes the place of a traditional textbook.
- 6. We encourage all student veterans to apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). For more information, visit www.fvtc.edu/FinancialAid.

## **County Veterans Services**

### Brown

Calumet

Or

Joe Aulik 305 E. Walnut St. Room 300 Green Bay, WI 54305-3600 920-448-4450 BC.veterans@browncountywi.gov Waupaca Jesse Cuff Courthouse 811 Harding St. Waupaca, WI 54981 715-258-6475 veterans@co.waupaca.wi.us

Winnebago

Jeffery Bucholtz

Oshkosh, WI 54901

920-232-3400

Greg Brittnacher Courthouse 206 Court St. Chilton, WI 53014-1198 920-849-1452 calumetvets@calumetcounty.org Waushara William Rosenau 230 Park St., P.O. Box 159 Wautoma, WI 54982 920-787-0446 williamr.parkstreet@co.waushara.wi.us

Department of Veterans Services

220 Washington Ave., third floor

Calumet County Human Services Building 2306 S. Oneida St. Appleton, WI 54915 (appointment only)

#### **Outagamie** David Holst

David Holst 320 S. Walnut St. Appleton, WI 54911 920-832-5697 veterans@outagamie.org Or Neenah-Menasha Office 211 N. Commercial St. Neenah, WI 54956 920-729-4820 cvso@co.winnebago.wi.us

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#### OUR MISSION IS TO:

Provide relevant technical education and training to support student goals, a skilled workforce, and the economic vitality of our communities.

#### OUR VISION IS TO BE:

A catalyst in engaging partners to bring innovative educational solutions to individuals, employers, and communities – transforming challenges into opportunities.

Fox Valley Technical College is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action institution, providing equal opportunity to all persons, including members of underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds, females, veterans and individuals of all abilities. For questions regarding the College's nondiscrimination policy, contact: Rayon Brown — brown@fvtc.edu (Affirmative Action), TitlelX@fvtc.edu (gender discrimination, including sex-based violence) or Elizabeth Burns — burnse@fvtc.edu (disability related discrimination).



# **Veterans Benefits**



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## **Veterans Educational Benefits (Federal)**

Veterans Administration • www.va.gov • 1-888-442-4551

# Veterans Educational Benefits (State) Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs • www.dva.state.wi.us • 1-800-947-8387

Title/Chapter	Basic Eligibility	Months of Entitlement	Monthly Benefit Amount (Rates: Fall 2022-Summer 2023 Terms)	Time Limit	Title		Basic Eligibility	
Montgomery GI Bill <sup>®</sup> (Chapter 30)	Entered military after June 30, 1985 and paid \$1,200 enrollment fee	Provides up to 36 months	< 3 years         3 years+           Full         -         \$1,793.00         \$2,210.00           3/4         -         \$1,344.75         \$1,657.50           1/2         -         \$896.50         \$1,105.00           1/4         -         \$448.25         \$552.50	10 years and one day from date of release from Active Duty	Wisconsin GI Bill	The WI GI Bill provides up to a 100% waiver of tuition (program and material fees) for eligible veterans and eligible dependents of deceased (in line of duty) or 30% or more disabled (service connected) veterans for up to 8 full-time semesters or 128 credits. <b>NOTE:</b> The WI GI Bill does not waive student activity fees, parking fees or any additional fees. • The benefit recipient must reside in Wisconsin. • Effective 1/1/2014, student must maintain a cumulative 2.0 GPA.		
Veterans Readiness & Employment (Chapter 31)	• Veteran needs a service connected disability	As many as 48 months of entitlement	Full       -       \$723.56 $3/4$ -       \$543.68 $1/2$ -       \$363.77 $1/4$ -       \$181.86	Usually 12 years from date of disability		<ul> <li>Qualifying children must be 17 up to 26 years old.</li> <li>Application must be submitted to the FVTC certifying official and the WDVA by the 14th calendar day of the semester start date.</li> <li>Benefit varies with federal post-9/11 eligibility.</li> </ul>		
Post-9/11 (Chapter 33)	Served on active duty for more than 90 consecutive days since 9/11/2001	Generally 36 months of entitlement; not more than 48 months under 2 or more chapters	<ul> <li>More with dependents plus tuition, fees, books and supplies are paid for by VA</li> <li>Full – MAH is based on the zip code of the training location where you attend the majority of your classes.</li> <li>Percentage of entitlement based on length of active duty service since 9/11/2001</li> <li>Cost of tuition and fees</li> <li>Monthly housing allowance based on the zip code of the location where you attend the majority of your classes.</li> <li>Up to \$1,000 per year for books/supplies. Recipients receive a book/supply stipend from their VA benefits. The Cengage charge will be the responsibility of the student to pay.</li> </ul>	15 years after last period of active duty of at least 90 consecutive days* *Forever GI Bill: the 15-year time limitation for using post-9/11 GI Bill benefits is eliminated for veterans who left active duty on or after January 1, 2013.	VetEd (Reimbursement Grant) Retraining Grant	<ul> <li>The VetEd program provides reimbursement following successful completion of full-time or part-time coursework.</li> <li>Must first apply for the WI GI Bill.</li> <li>The reimbursement grant application must be completed no later than 60 days after the start of the term.</li> <li>Visit your County Veterans Service Officer for assistance in applying or visit www.dva.state.wi.us.</li> <li>Recently unemployed or underemployed veterons may receive up to \$3,000 per year if they have a financial need while being retrained for employment. The amount of the grant is determined by the applicant's financial need as calculated by WDVA.</li> <li>In some instances, spouses and dependent children of deceased Wisconsin veterans also may be eligible for this grant.</li> <li>To qualify, the applicant must have been involuntarily laid off or discharged (not due to willful misconduct) within one year preceding the date that WDVA receives the grant application. The applicant must have been employed for at least six consecutive months with the same employer or in the same or similar occupations. At least one day of that employment must have been within that year.</li> <li>The applicant must be engaged in a structured on-the-job training program or be currently enrolled in a technical education program that will be completed within two years of the date the application is received at WDVA and that will lead to gainful employment. Course work toward a college degree does not qualify as retraining.</li> <li>An applicant may neceive a second Retraining Grant no sooner than one year after the first grant was issued. No applicant may receive a Retraining Grant and another WDVA education grant for the same period.</li> <li>Veterans must apply for the grant through their county veterans service office.</li> </ul>		
Survivors and Dependents	For spouses and children of 100% service	36 months of entitlement are	NOTE: BAH stipends are only paid if enrolled more than half-time. They are pro-rated if enrolled less than full-time or if enrolled in all online courses.         Full       –       \$1,401.00	For spouse 10 years from the date of				
Educational Assistance (Chapter 35)	connected disabled vets or spouses/children of veterans who died in service or from a service connected disability	allowed under this program	3/4 - \$1,107.00 1/2 - \$812.00 > $1/2$ and < $1/4$ - \$812.00 1/2 and < $1/4$ - \$812.00	veterans' 100% disability or death; children must be between the ages of 18 and 26	Title	Basic Eligibility	Entitlement	Time Limit
Montgomery GI Bill <sup>®</sup> — Selected Reserve (Chapter 1606)	Enlist or re-enlist <ul> <li>For 6 or more years in the Selected Reserves</li> <li>Completed active duty for training</li> </ul>	Maximum of 36 months of full-time training	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Entitled to benefits while continuing to serve in the Selected Reserve	Wisconsin National Guard Tuition Grant	<ul> <li>Enlisted Guard solider or warrant officer who has not earned a bachelor's degree</li> <li>Considered a "satisfactory participant"</li> <li>Submit actual application to DMA within 90 days of the</li> </ul>	Reimbursement is based on 100% of the tuition charged at the student's qualifying school OR the maximum resident undergraduate tuition charged by	8 semesters of study

These chapters must verify their enrollment each month on the last day or after to receive payment. 1-877-823-2378 or www.gibill.va.gov/wave.

	Full-Time	3/4 Time	1/2 Time
Fall/Spring Semester	12 credits	9-11 credits	6-8 credits
Summer Semester	6 credits	5 credits	3-4 credits

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