

Colleagues and Fellow Veterans,

Yesterday we testified before the House Veterans Affairs Committee on “[Defining and Improving Success for Student Veterans](#).” Specifically, we shared information regarding various VA efforts to help Veterans achieve success in their educational endeavors, including the recent expansion of the [VetSuccess on Campus \(VSOC\) program](#), launching new online tools ([Comparison Tool](#) and [Feedback System](#)), and the [Million Records Project](#).

Additionally, did you know tutorial assistance is available to help Veterans attending school pay for tutoring necessary to advance your education? Tutorial assistance is available under the Post-9/11 GI Bill if pursuing training at the half-time or greater rate, and have a deficiency in a subject, making tutoring necessary.

Available Benefit and Eligibility

The monthly rate of tutorial assistance may not exceed the cost of tutoring or \$100 per month. The maximum amount payable is \$1,200. There is no entitlement charge under the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

A student must meet the following criteria to be eligible for tutorial assistance:

- Rate of pursuit must be at least 50 percent.
- Must have a deficiency in a course that is part of your approved program.
- Must be enrolled in the course during the quarter, semester, or term in which the tutoring is received for the course. Tutoring may not occur between quarters or semesters.

The student, tutor, and certifying official must complete [VA Form 22-1990t](#), Application and Enrollment Certification for Individualized Tutorial Assistance. The application may be submitted at the end of each month or combination of months. The application must be signed and dated on or after the date of the last tutoring session certified. The School Certifying Official (SCO) can submit the application on your behalf.

Information for Schools

When a SCO signs an Application and Enrollment Certification for Individualized Tutorial Assistance, he or she will certify the following:

- Tutoring is essential to correct a deficiency. A letter from the course instructor should be put in the student’s VA file stating that the student is deficient in the course and that individual tutoring is required to correct the deficiency.
- The tutor meets the college’s qualifications. Ideally, the school maintains a list of approved tutors. The list should indicate the subjects a tutor is qualified to tutor and the hourly charge. Students should be assigned a tutor from the approved list. A tutor may not be a close relative of the student.
- The charges do not exceed the usual charges for tutoring.

Tutorial assistance is also available under many of our Educational programs (VocRehab, Dependent, etc.). Brochures and pamphlets on tutorial assistance requirements of various VA educational benefits are available at http://www.benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/handouts_forms.asp.

Tutorial Assistance is one of the many training program opportunities under the GI Bill benefits that are available to Veterans, Servicemember and their eligible dependents.

If you have any questions about the GI Bill or Tutorial Assistance please contact the school certifying official or call our GI Bill hotline using the information below.

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Please Remember:

- If you would like to review prior messages sent through this listserv, click http://benefits.va.gov/vow/economic_opportunity.htm.
- If you would like to research, find, access, and, in time, manage your VA benefits and personal information please visit and/or register at <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal>.
- If you are seeking employment in the federal government, particularly the VA, our VA for Vets high-tech tools and resources can help. Visit online at <http://vaforvets.va.gov/Pages/default.aspx> or call 1-855-824-8387.