

GCC STUDENT ID#

Veteran "NEW" Student Check-Sheet

Chapter **33** Post 9/11 G.I. Bill

If you are a new student to Glendale Community College, please use this check-s	sheet
as a guide to assist you in completing the VA benefits enrollment & verification proces	s.

MEID:

Password:____

- **1. Apply Online for a MEID:** <u>http://my.maricopa.edu/student-center/index.php</u> If you have attended another MCCCD college before, see step 2.
 - 2. Be admitted to GCC: <u>http://my.maricopa.edu/student-center/index.php</u> Log in with your MEID and Password (created in step 1) and click the MCCCD Admissions Link on your "student center" page.
 - 3. Apply Online for Your Educational Benefits at the VA website: <u>http://www.gibill.va.gov</u>

Please *submit* the electronic application form (you will be issued a confirmation number), bring a PRINTED copy and your **DD214-Member-4** to the Veteran Services Center at GCC. If you have used your benefits before (at a different school) you will need to complete a VA form **22-1995** (also available at the VA website) and bring it to the Veteran Service Center at GCC.

4. How to Apply for Arizona In-State Tuition/fees: Any veteran with an honorable discharge on their DD-214, Arizona driver's license, and with an Arizona voter's registration card is eligible for in-state tuition/fees.

5. Bring a copy of your Certificate of Eligibility to the Veteran Service Center as soon as you receive it in the mail from the VA.

6. If you have not previously completed college level English, Math, or Reading courses, take the Placement Test at the GCC Testing Center; this is <u>required</u> to enroll in classes at GCC. Unless you have already taken this test at another MCCCD College and are happy with the test results.

7. Request Official Transcripts from your Branch of Service and from all previous schools that you have attended outside of MCCCD and have them mailed to:

Glendale Community College Enrollment Services 6000 West Olive Avenue Glendale, AZ 85302-3090

------The items below do not necessarily have to be completed in the order listed here------

Helpful hint:

Choose a Career Goal- Get help with this from the Career Counseling Center here at GCC. Choosing a Career Goal is a very critical step!

Your VA educational benefits will eventually run out, therefore, the focus here should be a long term CAREER GOAL, one in which you can eventually retire from!!!

Speak with an Academic Advisor- You can make an appointment to speak with an advisor at the Veteran Service Center -OR- visit GCC Enrollment Center where they accept students on a walk-in basis.

You must declare a Program of Study offered here at GCC. This will determine which classes will be covered by your VA Educational Benefits.

 \downarrow Your Program of Study \downarrow

Enroll ONLY in classes that apply to your PROGRAM OF STUDY
A program of study is any VA approved degree or certificate GCC offers, please see <u>http://www.gccaz.edu/FutureStudents/Programs/Programs.cfm</u>
You will not be certified for classes that do not apply to your Program of Study. See an Academic Advisor for more info.
YOU CAN ENROLL IN CLASSES online at: http://my.maricopa.edu/student-center
Notify the Certifying Officials at the Veteran Services Center after you have enrolled in Classes.
NOTIFY the Certifying Officials at the Veteran Services Center BEFORE MAKING ANY CHANGES to your enrollment or class schedule. Any Changes could affect your VA Educational Benefits and cause OVERPAYMENTS from the VA!!!
You may be held responsible to payback overpayments!!!
Request a Book, Supply, and Tuition Deferments at the Veterans Service Center.
Complete all courses and all finals . Failure to attend a class up until the last day, including completing the final, may result in an overpayment that you will be responsible for. In almost all cases it is better to receive a failing grade than a withdrawal, but in order to do so you must remain in the class until after the final to avoid any overpayments.
Get a PRIORITY REGISTRATION APPOINTMENT for next semester, this will allow you to enroll in classes BEFORE the general population.
Enroll in classes for the next semester and notify the GCC Veteran Service Center as soon as possible by filling out a Benefit Request Form.
All questions concerning the receipt of your educational benefits should be directed to your
Veterans Affairs Regional Processing Office (RPO)
Muskogee, Oklahoma.
To reach the Muskogee RPO call or go online:
Call Center: 1-888-442-4551 Website: www.gibill.vo.gov
Website: www.gibill.va.gov General Information: 1-800-827-1000

"He who fails to plan, plans to fail" -Thomas Edison