Return signed, completed forms to the UMD Veterans Certification Office:

MAIL: 1113 Mitchell Bldg. IN PERSON: College Park, MD 20742

FAX: 301-314-9568 EMAIL*: <u>vabenefits@umd.edu</u>



NOTE:

We will monitor for changes to your enrollment after the Schedule Adjustment Period. Changes to Enrollment after this point may affect receipt of VA Education Benefits. Contact the UMD Veterans Benefits Certification Office by email at vabenefits@umd.edu for more information.

Date:

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(See reverse for instructions/additional information) This form must be submitted SEPARATELY for each term for which you wish to receive VA Education Benefits. Summer I¹ ☐ Fall¹ ☐ Winter¹ Spring¹ Summer II¹ UID: Last Name: First Name: Email:_____ Current Major²: Current Degree Objective: BA/BS Grad Certificate Masters PhD Check here if you are on Active Duty³: Check here if you are a spouse or dependent VA EDUCATION BENEFIT, AS APPLIED FOR ON 22-1990 (APPLICATION FOR VA EDUCATION BENEFITS): Post-9/11 GI Bill Recipients⁷: Check if you are using: Montgomery GI Bill® - Active Duty - MGIB (Chapter 30)4 Vocational Rehabilitation (Chapter 31 -VA Form 28-1905 must be current in order to certify your enrollment)⁵ ROTC Scholarship Post 9/11 GI Bill® (Chapter 33) (See box at right) Check here if you are a dependent using transferred Post-9/11 benefits⁸ Fed'l Military Tuition Assistance (TA)^{7a} Check here to include the University Sponsored Health Insurance Plan in the amount reported to the VA for your Post 9/11 GI Bill toward benefit State Military Tuition Assistance (TA)^{7a} Survivors' and Dependents' Assistance – DEA (Chapter 35) – Veteran's File Number⁹: _____ Montgomery GI Bill® - Selected Reserve (Chapter 1606)⁴ State Tuition Waiver -MD Nat'l Guard^{7b} HPSP^{7c} Reserve Education Assistance Program - REAP (Chapter 1607)⁴ Tuition paid by employer^{7d} Tuition Remission Scholarship – Tuition & Fees only Te I have read the UMD VA Enrollment Certification Request Instructions. I certify that all courses are applicable to my degree program and meet VA requirements. I understand that completion of this UMD form assures me of enrollment certification with the Department of Veterans Affairs, but does not guarantee payment from the VA. None of the Above Payment depends on my being enrolled in an approved program, my not owing money to the VA for any overpayments, and my compliance with all other VA regulations. I further understand that any information on this form or in my University record may be shared with the VA at its request.

*Signature required. Instructions on how to digitally sign this document can be found here.

Signature:

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.

Visit the UMD Veterans Certification Services website for additional information - https://www.registrar.umd.edu/veteran-benefits.html



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INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Enter the term and year for which you are requesting enrollment certification. Note that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) requires certification of enrollment for EACH semester for which you wish to receive benefits. The earliest that your enrollment may be certified is after you officially register for classes. Submit this form to the UMD Veterans Certification Office upon registration for a term.
- 2. Enter your current, officially declared major.
 - a. You may enter your intended major, provided you comply with the following requirement: The Department of Veterans Affairs requires all students pursuing a bachelor's degree to declare a major by the end of the sophomore year.
 - b. If you are a visiting student (one who is receiving his/her degree from another institution but taking classes here at the University of Maryland), write the name of your institution in this space, and submit official documentation of your permission to enroll at this institution along with this form. Only courses that are explicitly listed in this documentation may be certified to the VA.
 - c. VA educational benefits cannot be paid to a non-matriculated student unless he/she is pending admission to a UMD degree-seeking program. In such cases, a non-matriculated student can be certified for no more than two semesters.
- 3. If you are on Active Duty:
 - For information on using the Montgomery GI Bill with military Tuition Assistance (TA), see GI Bill FAQs: https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/detail/a id/333/.
 - b. For information on using the Post-9/11 GI Bill while on Active Duty, see GI Bill FAQs: https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/detail/a id/938/.
- 4. If you are receiving Chapter 30, 1606, or 1607 Benefits, in addition to submitting this form, you must verify your attendance with the VA at the end of each month of the semester using WAVE: https://www.gibill.va.gov/wave/index.do. For more information on this requirement, see GI Bill FAQs: https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/detail/a id/7/.
- 5. For Veteran Readiness & Employment (Ch. 31) students, your Ch. 31 Counselor will need to enter separate Purchase Orders (POs) into the Tungsten portal to have your tuition and mandatory fees (T&F) and books and supplies invoiced. There are two separate accounts in Tungsten for invoicing T&F and books\supplies. If your Counselor has questions about the POs and\or Tungsten accounts, please have them contact vabenefits@umd.edu.
- 6. First-time Post-9/11 GI Bill recipients must attach their Certificate of Eligibility (COE). If you have not yet been issued a COE, submit it to the UMD Veterans Certification Office as soon as you receive it. The COE is issued by the VA to an applicant showing approval to pursue a stated program of education at a particular institution, the remaining entitlement of the student, and the ending date of the student's eligibility. For more information about COEs, see https://www.va.gov/education/gi-bill/post-9-11/ch-33-benefit/.
- 7. Chapter 33 Recipient Box:
 - a. This is NOT referring to federal Title-IV student aid, such as Unsubsidized and Subsidized Federal Direct Loans, Federal Perkins Loans, Direct Federal Plus Loans, Federal Pell, ACG, SMART, or SEOG Grants, or federal work-study.
 - b. Applications for the MD National Guard State Tuition Waiver can be found at https://military.maryland.gov/NG/Pages/tuition-assistance.aspx.

Completed forms should be submitted to the Third Party Billing office located in room 1135 of the Lee Building or by email to thirdpartybilling@umd.edu.

- c. HPSP is the Health Professions Scholarship Program.
- d. This refers to employer money sent directly to your student account, not tuition reimbursements or other funds sent directly to you from the employer.
- e. This refers to scholarships designated exclusively to offset tuition and fees. If the scholarship is intended to cover other (non-tuition and fees) costs as well, do not check this box. We may contact you to clarify what costs your scholarship covers.
- 8. A Post-9/11 GI Bill TEB dependent is someone who has received benefit eligibility from a spouse or parent. For more information, see https://www.va.gov/education/transfer-post-9-11-gi-bill-benefits/.
- 9. Enter your VA file number if you are a first-time Chapter 35 recipient. This number is generally the Social Security Number of the Veteran. If you do not know your VA file number, contact the VA at 1-888-GI BILL-1.
- 10. Note that VA Regulations exclude Post-9/11 GI Bill students studying at half-time or less from receiving MHA (Monthly Housing Allowance) payments. Also, MHA is reduced for students enrolled solely in distance (online) courses. For more information on the MHA regulations, see the VA's Comparison of Monetary Benefits Chart: https://www.benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/comparison_chart.asp.
- 11. Only courses that did not meet the minimum requirements for graduation when taken the first time may be certified for VA purposes if they are repeated. For more information, see GI Bill FAQs: https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/detail/a id/409/.

UMD VA ENROLLMENT CERTIFICATION ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Students interested in studying abroad must submit a UMD Education Abroad Eligibility Review form before submitting this VA Enrollment Certification Request form, which is available at the UMD Veterans Certification Office in-person, or by submitting a request to vabenefits@umd.edu. All Education Abroad programs must first be pre-approved by the State Approving Agency and/or the VA before benefits may be paid. For more information, see https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/detail/a_id/19/.
- Students using benefits for the first time at UMD who have used benefits at another institution previously must submit VA form 22-1995 (Ch. 33) or 22-5495 (Ch. 35), Request for Change of Program or Place of Training, directly to the VA. For more information on this requirement and a link to this form, see https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/detail/a_id/917/.