

# **USING YOUR VA EDUCATION BENEFITS**

All of the Department of Veterans Affairs chapters and tuition assistance are approved at Jacksonville University. This includes programs for Active Duty, Reservists, Veterans and Dependents. All majors, minors and graduate programs in our JU academic catalog are approved.

Jacksonville University fully participates in the Post 9/11 GI Bill. This includes Active Duty military service members, veterans and dependents who have received transfer of entitlement. Jacksonville University is also a 100% match Yellow **Ribbon School** for the Post 9/11 GI Bill program.

If you are a 100% eligible veteran, the tuition will be free. If you are a dependent child of a 100% eligible service member, the tuition will be free.

# YELLOW RIBBON PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

- 1. The Post 9/11 GI Bill Chapter 33 Certificate of Eligibility must show the student to be 100% eligible in order to participate in the Yellow Ribbon Program.
- 2. Students at less than 100% eligibility are not eligible for Yellow Ribbon, per the Dept. of Veterans Affairs.
- 3. Active Duty students and spouses of Active Duty students are not eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program, per the Dept. of Veterans Affairs.
- 4. The Division of Aviation has a JU Yellow Ribbon Program cap of \$10,000 per year.
- 5. The Orthodontic Certificate program is excluded from the Yellow Ribbon Program.

# HOW THE YELLOW RIBBON PROGRAM WORKS

- 1. Yellow Ribbon Program funds can be used for all JU terms, including summer terms.
- 2. Information about current Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) rates is posted on the <a href="www.gibill.va.gov">www.gibill.va.gov</a> website.
- 3. JU Yellow Ribbon will match 100% of the difference for undergraduate tuition.
- 4. JU Yellow Ribbon will match up to a maximum of \$2,500.00 of the difference for graduate programs tuition.
- 5. JU Yellow Ribbon will match up to a maximum of \$10,000.00 of the difference for the Division of Aviation undergraduate tuition. Aviation flight fees must be paid by the student to the Office of the Controller in advance of flight block registration.
- 6. Enrollment certifications will be done by the JU VA Certifying Officials in the Offices of the Registrar and Financial
- 7. Only those courses that are acceptable toward meeting graduation requirements in your declared program of study will be certified.
- 8. You do not have to be full-time status to receive Yellow Ribbon Program benefits. If you are not full-time status, you will receive partial benefits as determined by the Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

# YELLOW RIBBON PROGRAM PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. You agree to notify the JU Veterans Office that you are a Chapter 33 and Yellow Ribbon Program participant.
- 2. Understand that, each term, you must enroll in classes only towards your major and minor program requirements.
- 3. Understand that, each term, you must notify the VA Certifying Official of any changes to your schedule, including add, drop and withdrawal.
- 4. Understand that you will be responsible for any unpaid balance that could occur.
- 5. Understand that study abroad classes are not requirements towards any JU major or minor program.

# HOW DO I APPLY FOR THE POST 9/11 GI BILL (CH. 33) PROGRAM?

If you are Active Duty or a Veteran:

- 1. Submit an application VA form 22-1990 to the Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) for the Post-9/11 GI Bill at <a href="www.gibill.va.gov">www.gibill.va.gov</a> or call 1-888-GI BILL-1 (888-442-4551) to have an application mailed to you.
- 2. Provide these documents to the JU Veterans Office:
  - a. A copy of the CH. 33 Certificate of Eligibility (COE) letter received in the mail from the VA in response to the application.
  - b. A copy of your orders or last DD-214.

If you are the Recipient of the Post 9/11 GI Bill Education Benefit:

- 1. Have the Veteran apply for a Transfer of Entitlement with the Dept. of Defense at the <a href="www.defense.gov/home/features/2009/0409\_gibill">www.defense.gov/home/features/2009/0409\_gibill</a>.
- 2. Submit an application VA form 22-1990e to the Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) for the Post-9/11 GI Bill at <a href="https://www.gibill.va.gov">www.gibill.va.gov</a> or call 1-888-GI BILL-1 (888-442-4551) to have an application mailed to you.
- 3. Provide to the JU Veterans Office a copy of the CH. 33 Certificate of Eligibility (COE) letter received in the mail from the VA in response to the application.

If you are a Transfer Student, or used your Post 9/11 GI Bill at another school:

- 1. Submit an application VA form 22-1995 Change of Program or Place of Training, to the Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) for the Post-9/11 GI Bill at <a href="https://www.gibill.va.gov">www.gibill.va.gov</a>. Or Call 1-888-GI BILL-1 (888-442-4551) to have an application mailed to you.
- 2. Provide these documents to the JU Veterans Office:
  - a. A copy of the CH. 33 Certificate of Eligibility (COE) letter received in the mail from the VA.
  - b. A copy of your orders or last DD-214.

#### The following is a summary of VA and selected military scholarship opportunities at Jacksonville University:

#### Post 9/11 GI Bill Program (Chapter 33)

Veteran, spouse of veteran, and dependent children

- 100% eligible = Yellow Ribbon veteran served at least 36 months of active duty service after Sept. 10, 2001
- IU matches Yellow Ribbon
- Tuition and Yellow Ribbon paid to school Up to full tuition
- Book stipend paid to student Up to \$1,000 per year
- Housing allowance paid to student Up to \$1,500 per month per term, more than ½ time

#### Active Duty and spouse of Active Duty

- 100% eligible member has served at least 36 months of active duty service after Sept. 10, 2001
- Not eligible for Yellow Ribbon
- Tuition paid to school Up to \$21,084.89 per year
- Book stipend paid to student Up to \$1,000 per year
- Not eligible for housing allowance from VA GI Bill

# Veteran, spouse and dependent children

- Less than 100% eligible veteran served less than 36 months of active duty service after Sept. 10, 2001
- Less than 100% eligibility
- Not eligible for Yellow Ribbon
- Tuition paid to school pro-rated on eligibility percentage
- Book stipend paid to student pro-rated on eligibility percentage
- Housing allowance paid to student pro-rated on eligibility percentage, more than ½ time

#### National Guard and Reserve

Any time spent on Title 10 active duty orders, or under certain types of Title 32 orders, counts toward eligible time for the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

36 months or more on Title 10 or Title 32 orders = 100% eligible for Post 9/11 GI Bill and Yellow Ribbon

- 100% eligible = Yellow Ribbon
- IU matches Yellow Ribbon
- Tuition and Yellow Ribbon paid to school- up to full tuition
- Book stipend paid to student Up to \$1,000 per year
- Housing Allowance paid to student Up to \$1,500 per month per term, more than ½ time

#### Less than 36 months on Title 10 or Title 32 orders = % of Post 9/11 GI Bill

- Less than 100% eligibility
- Not eligible for Yellow Ribbon
- Tuition paid to school pro-rated on eligibility percentage
- Book Stipend paid to student pro-rated on eligibility percentage
- Housing Allowance paid to student pro-rated on eligibility percentage, more than ½ time

#### The Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship (Fry Scholarship)

Spouses and children of service members who died in the line of duty, after Sept. 10, 2001

- Not eligible for Yellow Ribbon
- Tuition paid to school Up to \$21,084.89 per year at JU.
- Book stipend paid to student Up to \$1,000 a year for books
- Housing allowance paid to student Up to \$1,500 per month per term, more than ½ time

Each of the following opportunities includes a monthly amount paid directly to the student for full-time training. In some cases, the amount depends on the amount of time served.

# Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA) Program (Chapter 35)

 Spouses and children of Veterans who are permanently and totally disabled due to a servicerelated condition, or of Veterans who died while on active duty or as a result of a service-related condition

# Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty (MGIB/AD) Program (Chapter 30)

• Active Duty and Veterans who served on active duty for at least two years

#### Montgomery GI Selected Reserve (MGIB/SR) Program (Chapter 1606)

 Selected Reserve, including the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Coast Guard Reserve, and the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard

# Reserve Educational Assistance (REAP) Program (Chapter 1607)

 Selected Reserve called to Active Duty in support of a contingency operation or a national emergency declared by the President or Congress

# Veterans' Education Assistance Program (VEAP) Program (Chapter 32)

Separated or Active Duty, if you elected to make contributions from your military pay

# Vocational Rehabilitation Education Benefits (VR&E) Program (Chapter 31)

- Veterans with a disability rating
- Counseling, training, education and job placement assistance
- Tuition, fees and books paid to school full amount

#### Tuition Assistance (TA)

- Active duty
- · Air Force, Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard
- Tuition paid to school
- Tuition and fees up to \$4,500 per FY

#### Children of Fallen Patriots

- 40% of the tuition paid by JU
- 60% of the tuition paid by Children of Fallen Patriots foundation

#### **ROTC**

- Full scholarship
  - 4-year scholarship = full tuition, fees and stipend for full 4 years
  - 2 & 3-years scholarships = full tuition, fees and stipend for 2 or 3 years
- Non-scholarship no tuition or fee benefit
- Minor no tuition or fee benefit

# **TOOLS AND GUIDES:**

- eBenefits: <a href="https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage">https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage</a>
- GI Bill Comparison Tool (Use JU default settings): <a href="http://department-of-veterans-affairs.github.io/gi-bill-comparison-tool/">http://department-of-veterans-affairs.github.io/gi-bill-comparison-tool/</a>
- Post 9/11 GI Bill facts: https://gibill.custhelp.com/app/answers/list
- Post 9/11 GI Bill, how to transfer unused benefits: <a href="http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/post911">http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/post911</a> transfer.asp
- Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship: http://www.benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/Fry\_scholarship.asp



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