



**SOUTH
SUBURBAN
COLLEGE**



Request for Veteran Benefits

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SEMESTER: FA _____ **SP** _____ **SU** _____
(YEAR) (YEAR) (YEAR)

In order to utilize your benefits, you will need to complete this form each semester **after you register** to ensure that your classes are certified. Your **DD214** and **VA Certificate or Letter of Eligibility** for any given benefit **must** be on file with the Financial Aid Office. This will guarantee that the VA receives your certification in a timely manner. Please read below and check off/initial that you have completed the required steps to receiving your benefits here at South Suburban College.

Please complete this form in its entirety and fill out all information in black ink.

Name: Last: _____ First: _____ MI: ____ SSC ID #: _____ SSN: _____

VA File#/Parent SSN: _____ Primary Phone#: _____ Email: _____ @ _____
(Chapter 35. Only)

Permanent Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Is this an address change from what is on record for the V.A.? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If Yes, please contact the regional office in St. Louis to update your records)

Please specify your student status by checking the appropriate box below:

- ☐ New Student (I have never used veteran education benefits at SSC)
- ☐ Returning Student (I have used my veteran education benefits at SSC within the last 3 years)
- ☐ Transfer student (Complete VA Form 22-1995 change of program or place of training at www.gibill.va.gov)
- ☐ Guest Student (Student is receiving degree at a different institution. Parent letter is required)

Major: _____ **How many credit hours are you requesting to be certified for?** _____

Other College Attended _____ VA Benefits Used? ☐ Yes -or- ☐ No

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Is this the final semester of your degree/certificate program? ☐ Yes -or- ☐ No

Please indicate the Federal and/or State benefit you are utilizing:

FEDERAL:

- ☐ **Chapter 30-** Montgomery GI Bill
- ☐ **Chapter 31-** Veteran Readiness and Employment
- ☐ **Chapter 33-** Post 9/11 GI Bill
- ☐ **Chapter 35-** Survivors And Dependents Educational Assistance (VA Dependents)
- ☐ **Chapter 1606-** Educational Assistance For Members of the Selected Reserve

PLEASE NOTE: GI-Bill Recipients: 1606, and Chapter 35 must set up payment arrangements with Business and Accounting. These benefits are paid directly to the student and not to South Suburban College. POST 9/11 GI BILL Recipients: VA benefits are paid directly to South Suburban College on your behalf; If your benefit level is less than 100%, the remaining balance is the student responsibility.

STATE GRANT:

- ☐ **IVG** (Illinois Veteran Grant) pays tuition and mandatory fees; does not cover lab fee
- ☐ **ING** (Illinois National Guard Grant) pays tuition only
- ☐ **MIA/POW Scholarship** (Missing in Action, Prisoner of War) pays in-state tuition

PLEASE NOTE: Student is responsible for ALL fees not paid by IVG, ING and MIA/POW Scholarship

VETERAN STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY PAGE

Read the following statements carefully and initial each line item indicating you understand your responsibility as a student utilizing VA education benefits. In order to certify classes for VA Education Benefits. Please attach a copy of your current schedule. The Request for Veteran Benefits form is located in the Financial Aid Office Rm. 2355 or online: www.ssc.edu

Please initial each line item to confirm your understanding. Terms and conditions of certifications:

- _____ I understand that I must meet the Veteran Standard of Academic Progress. If I do not make satisfactory academic progress, my VA educational benefits cannot be resumed until I have met the requirements for reinstatement. (Minimum G.P.A of 2.0)
- _____ I understand that any course(s) that are not specifically required for completion of my degree or certificate program cannot be certified for VA benefits.
- _____ I understand that an Audited course cannot be certified for VA benefits.
- _____ I cannot use VA benefits for continuing education courses and/or any courses in which no credit is granted toward my degree. (Federal Benefits only)
- _____ I understand that VA will be notified regarding any course in which a non-punitive grade is received (i.e. withdrawal)
- _____ I am responsible for ALL debts resulting from reductions or terminations of my enrollment
- _____ I cannot receive VA benefits for repeating a course after I have received a passing grade, unless the grade received does not meet program requirements (i.e. a higher grade is required for your major)
- _____ I understand that I cannot use my VA benefits for remedial course taken online ex: MTH085, ENG097.

Please initial each line item to confirm. I agree to provide the following information to the VA Certifying Official:

- _____ I understand that South Suburban College will begin processing new enrollment certifications 30 days prior to the start of each term and it may take up to three weeks to be processed. Failure to submit a final schedule of report schedule changes can impact any certification and receipt of educational benefits.
- _____ If I add, drop or withdraw from any or all classes (Note: Veterans' Change of Enrollment Form must be submitted to the VA Certifying Official)
- _____ If I change my degree major or program of study.
- _____ My last date of attendance.
- _____ Any change to my address or phone number.
- _____ Receipt of a final grade that does not count toward graduation for any course in which a grade of "I" (Incomplete) was initially assigned.

Note: Any changes to your enrollment status will be updated with the VA.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT: In accordance with Public Law 93-579, Privacy Act of 1974, the information furnished above will be used to process your claim for VA benefits and to provide information to all parties within the Office of Veterans Services as deemed necessary within the limits of the Law. Disclosure of this information is voluntary and although no penalty will be imposed for non-disclosure, it could result in a delay and/or non-receipt of benefits.

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I fully understand and agree to comply with my responsibility as a student receiving veterans' education benefits.

Signature: _____ Date: _____