

## Chapter 1606 (Selected Reserve/National Guard) Benefit Explanation

### Forms you need:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Eligibility | Confirmation # _____ |
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*Please read and initial each line:*

\_\_\_\_ Eligibility: It can take the VA Regional Office in Buffalo, NY up to 12 weeks to certify your eligibility for benefits once your application has been submitted. You will not receive benefits until the Regional Office has determined your eligibility. A certificate of eligibility will be mailed to you once you are approved for benefits.

- You must submit a Certificate of Eligibility to the VMC to continue receiving your Chapter 1606 benefits after your first term using benefits.

\_\_\_\_ Enrollment Requirement: You are required to submit a Veterans Enrollment Report every term after you register. Failure to do so will result in late payments or no payments.

- Available on line at <https://www.wright.edu/veteran-and-military-center/gi-bill-educational-benefits-and-forms/forms> OR in the VMC-131 Allyn Hall.
- The certifying official will monitor your schedule and report add/drops as necessary. Add/drops are reported to the VA during key dates of each term (100% refund, drop with a “W”, etc.).

\_\_\_\_ Monthly Stipend: You will receive your stipend in arrears (i.e. you will verify at the end of each month of enrollment, so you will receive January’s payment at the beginning of February, February’s payment at the beginning of March, etc.).

- **No money is sent to the school for your tuition/fees.** You must pay tuition/fees by posted fee payment deadlines. You will be subject to cancellation of courses if you registered during open registration. Late payment fees will be assessed per university policy.
- Your stipend is based on 30-day enrollment. Months with less than 30 days of enrollment (i.e., August) will result in a smaller stipend.
- The stipend is direct deposited into the account that was provided on the application for benefits.
- It is recommended that you complete and file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

\_\_\_\_ Advance Payment Option: If you request an advance payment of your benefits, the VA Regional Office must receive the request 30 days prior to the start of the term. You will not receive another payment for a FULL 3 MONTHS because your advance payment includes 2 months of benefits. We will need a request in writing.

\_\_\_\_ Tuition Assistance (TA): Cannot be used for the same course in which you claim Chapter 1606 benefits.

\_\_\_\_ Monthly Verification: Verify your enrollment on the last day of each month online at [www.gibill.va.gov/wave](http://www.gibill.va.gov/wave) OR by phone at 1-877-823-2378.

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| <b>GI BILL BENEFIT ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS:</b> |
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\_\_\_\_\_ Per VA regulations, the courses you register for MUST be directly applicable to the degree or elective requirements of your specific major. The VA will not pay for courses such as KNH classes that may not be applicable to your degree requirements.

- NOTE: If you are not sure whether a course will meet a degree or elective requirement, please ask your academic advisor before registering for the course. Your academic advisor may write a letter stating the course is applicable as a degree or elective requirement. This letter must be submitted to the VMC at Wright State.

\_\_\_\_\_ You can be an undecided major/non-degree student for 2 semesters.

\_\_\_\_\_ You may retake a course if you failed the course and a higher grade is required. GI Bill benefits will not cover a retake of a course with a grade of D or higher unless your degree requires a higher grade.

\_\_\_\_\_ Flexibly scheduled courses or courses with irregular dates (not full-term) may result in incomplete VA funding. This matter is beyond our control.

\_\_\_\_\_ Wright State is required to report any type of dismissal and graduation to the VA at the end of each term.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name) have reviewed and agree to adhere to the information explained on pages 1-2 of this document, and I have been given the opportunity to ask any questions regarding this information.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_