Benefits

The Veterans Administration is authorized by law to provide a wide range of benefits to those who have served their country in the Armed Forces and to their dependents. These are some of the benefits you may be eligible for while attending West Valley College.

The following program descriptions are up-to-date, for more detailed information of each program, go online to www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/benefits.htm.

NOTE: All students who feel they may be eligible for education benefits should submit an application.

- MONTGOMERY G.I. BILL – ACTIVE DUTY, CHAPTER 30
- MONTGOMERY G.I. BILL – SELECTED RESERVE, CHAPTER 1606
- MONTGOMERY G.I. BILL – RESERVE EDUCATIONAL, CHAPTER 1607 (REAP)
- EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR SURVIVORS’ AND DEPENDENT’S, CHAPTER 35

Chapter 30: Montgomery G.I. Bill—Active Duty

Eligibility for this educational program requires an honorable discharge and 2 or more years of active duty. Delimiting date is 10 years after discharge.

Montgomery G.I. Bill - Selected Reserve, Chapter 1606

Educational program for active members of the Selective Reserve, basic eligibility requires a 6-year obligation to serve in the Selective Reserve and satisfactory participation in required Selective Reserve training.

Montgomery G.I. Bill – Reserve Educational Assistance, Chapter 1607 (REAP)

Educational program for active members of the Selective Reserve called to active duty in response to a contingency operation declared by the President or Congress. The Department of Defense and the Department of Homeland Security determine who’s eligible for chapter 1607.

Members of the Selective Reserve may be eligible for Chapter 1607 after serving 90 consecutive days on active duty for a contingency operation.

Educational Assistance for survivors’ and Dependents’ Chapter 35 (DEA)

Survivors and Dependents of a veteran may be eligible for benefits if the veteran is permanently and totally disabled due to a service-related condition or disability, died in service, or died of a service connected disability, or died while evaluated as having total and permanent disability resulting from a service-connected disability; or was listed as a POW or MIA.