

Getting Started

After being accepted for admission to Young Harris College, the student should contact the Registrar's Office to discuss their VA benefits.

New VA Students

The veteran must go to benefits.va.gov/gibill to begin the application process through the VA.

Previous VA Benefit Students

Returning to YHC or transferring from another institution? Complete VA Form 22-1995 for all VA programs except Chapter 35. Chapter 35 recipients need to complete VA Form 22-5495. These forms can be found online at benefits.va.gov/gibill or in the Registrar's Office.

Important Information

- Certifications will begin after the add/drop period
- If a student withdraws from a class and the semester hours change, a student debt may occur with the VA. The student is responsible for repaying the VA.
- When changing a program or dropping/adding classes you must notify the VA Coordinator on campus.
- For Post 9/11 benefits: HOPE, Institutional Aid, or any other scholarship which specifically pays tuition, will apply towards the tuition/fee charges prior to VA benefits being applied. The VA benefits will then pay any remaining balance on the percentage on the Certificate of Eligibility.

Example: Fall Semester tuition and fees:	\$14,500
HOPE Scholarship	- \$1968
Young Harris College Award	- \$6000
Billed to the VA:	\$6532

- The VA will only pay tuition and fees to YHC. Housing and meal plans are not billed to the VA from YHC. Veterans will receive a monthly housing allowance (MHA) that is paid directly to the student at the beginning of each month for the previous month.

Veterans at Young Harris College may utilize the following VA Benefit programs:

- **Montgomery GI Bill/Chapter 30:** (Active duty or veteran status) must have served in the US Armed Forces and participated in the GI Bill program. In most instances, veterans must also have been honorably discharged.
- **Montgomery GI Bill/Chapter 1606:** (Selected guard and reserves) must have completed all initial entry training and are now assigned to a Reserve and/or a Georgia National Guard Unit.

- **Post 9/11 GI Bill/Chapter 33:** Must have active duty service on or after Sep. 11, 2001. This benefit may also be used by the veteran's dependents (certain conditions apply).
- **Survivors and Dependents Educational Assistance Program/Chapter 35:** Dependents and spouses of 100% disabled or decreased veterans.
- **VA Vocational Rehabilitation/Chapter 31:** (Service-connected disabled veterans) must initiate an application with a local VA caseworker to have a rehabilitation plan developed.

**Further information on each chapter can be found on the VA website
www.benefits.va.gov/gibill**

Benefit Payment Information:

Chapter 30, 1606, and 1607 Monthly Verification: The student must verify their monthly enrollment on the last day of each month or after. Enrollment verification can be accomplished by using the VA toll-free telephone number, 1-888-GIBILL-1, or the WAVE feature found on the VA website, www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.

Tuition and Fee Payments: Chapter 30, 1606, 1607, 35: The student is responsible for paying tuition and fees by the published Young Harris College payment deadline.

Post 9/11 & Chapter 31: The VA will send a payment of tuition and fees directly to Young Harris College. The student is responsible for fees not covered by the VA. Examples include; residence hall, meal plan, and parking permit charge. Questions regarding payment deadlines and payment plans can be directed to Sandy Sosensky (706-379-5119 or ssosensky@yhc.edu).

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