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# UNIVERSITY OPERATING PROCEDURE

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**Title:** Tuition Billing for Members of Qualifying Federal Service, the Vermont National Guard, Veterans and some of their family members

## Overview

If you or your family are members of the Foreign Service, U.S. Armed Forces, the intelligence community (collectively "Qualifying Federal Service"), or the Vermont National Guard, you may qualify for state tuition at the University of Vermont (UVM). Veterans and some of their family members can also qualify. Even if you're considered a Vermont resident under UVM's [residency policy](#) UVM will charge you the in-state tuition rate once you submit the right documents, following the rules set by the federal government and Vermont. A review will be done each term to determine whether you are eligible to qualify for the state rate.

## Applicability of the Procedure

This policy applies to all University of Vermont students.

## Definitions

None

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[Eligibility for Higher Education Opportunity Act Benefits](#)

- a. "Qualifying Federal Service" includes:
  - a. "Armed Forces" means the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.
  - b. "Foreign Service" means a member of the Foreign Service (as defined in section 103 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 3903))
  - c. "Intelligence Community" means an officer or employee of an element of the intelligence community (as such term is defined in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)).
- b. "Active duty" means fulltime duty in theForeign Service, intelligence community or active military service of the United States and includes fulltime training duty, annual training duty, and attendance, while in the active military service, at a school designated as a service school by law or by the Secretary of the military department concerned. Such term does not include full time National Guard duty.
- c. "Active duty for a period of more than 30 days" means active duty under a call or order that does not specify a period of 30 days or less.

#### Eligibility for Veterans Affairs Education Benefits

Individuals using certain Department of Veterans Affairs (V.A.) education benefits will be charged tuition at the in-state rate if the individual:

1. is a veteran using educational assistance under either Chapter 30 (Montgomery GI-Active Duty Program) or Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 G.I. Bill), of title 38 United States Code, who lives in Vermont.
2. is anyone using a veteran's transferred Post-9/11 G.I. Bill benefits (38 U.S.C. § 3319), who lives in Vermont.
3. is anyone using benefits under the Marine Gunnery Sergeant David Fry Scholarship (38 U.S.C. § 3311(b)(9)), who lives in Vermont; or
4. is a veteran using educational assistance under Chapter 35 (Veteran Readiness and Employment) who lives in Vermont or
5. is anyone using Chapter 35 (Dependent's Educational Assistance) who lives in Vermont; and
6. With respect to Section 303 of the Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2017 (the "Forever GI Bill"), veterans using any chapter of education benefit will receive priority within class registration.

#### Additional Conditions for Veterans Affairs Education Benefits

In compliance with Section 103 of the Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2016 the University of Vermont will permit any covered individual to attend or participate in a course of education during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the educational institution a certificate of eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance under Chapter 31 or Chapter 33 (a "certificate of eligibility" can also include a "Statement of Benefits" obtained from the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) website, [va.gov](http://va.gov), or a VAF 28-905 (or Tungsten Purchase Order form for Chapter 31 authorization purposes) and ending on the earlier of the following dates:

1. The date on which payment from VA is made to the institution.



Academic Progress is detailed in the Undergraduate Catalogue page 44, the Graduate Catalogue on page 24, and the Larner College of Medicine Catalogue page 45.

Students who fail to meet the condition of their trial will be dismissed for low scholarship unless they are allowed to continue by action of the designated committee. Students allowed to continue in their college / school by the committee will be "continued on trial" and may be ineligible for VA benefits until that status is removed. Students dismissed for low scholarship must address their application for readmission, if any, to their college/ school and receive written approval from their dean before enrolling in any university course. Students dismissed for disciplinary reasons must receive written approval from the Vice Provost for Student Affairs before enrolling in any university course.

Students dismissed from UVM must contact the Department of Veterans Affairs, Buffalo VBA Regional Office at <https://www.va.gov/contactus/> before VA benefits can be reinstated.

### Academic Progress Records

Academic Progress towards graduation is tracked and stored for Undergraduate Students In their Degree Works audit, available in the myUVM Portal "Advising (Degree Audit)" tab. Graduate student progress is kept at the department level and updated per semester by the student's academic advisor. Graduate students are encouraged to meet with their academic advisor every semester to review their progress towards graduation. Larner College of Medicine student progress is kept with the College of Medicine Dean's Office. Academic Progress is updated each term after final grades. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic advisor each term to determine progress towards graduation.

### Graduate College and Larner College of Medicine

Graduate College and Larner College of Medicine VA Students are subject to the above policies for probation and dismissal, as well as attendance, and the requirements of #1, #2, and #3, above. Students must agree to this on the Request for Enrollment Certification form submitted electronically through the myUVM Portal "V.9 (nc)0.9 (.).3 (V)2. ( )-8

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5. Additional documents and/or verification may be requested.
6. The student's failure to produce information requested may adversely affect the eligibility decision.