



## VETERAN AND MILITARY STUDENT SERVICES & VETERANS EDUCATION BENEFITS



### New Veteran/Military Student Checklist

#### Apply for your VA Education Benefits

- Apply Online [www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/](http://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/)
  - Scroll down and select the green "Select Correct Form" box. If you have never used benefits before, select "Apply for a new benefit". If you are transferring from another institution, then select "Updating my place of training".
- Provide a copy of your Certificate of Eligibility (COE) letter to Veteran and Military Student Services

#### Apply for Admission to MSU Denver (2 Ways)

- Online at [connect.msudenver.edu/apply/](http://connect.msudenver.edu/apply/)  
Enter promo code: [veterans](#) to waive the application fee

#### Transcripts and Military Credit

- Send all previous college and university official transcripts to the Office of Admissions  
<https://www.msudenver.edu/admissions/sendit/>
- Request your military transcripts
  - Army, Navy, Marines & Coast Guard <https://jst.doded.mil>
  - Air Force <http://www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/transcripts.asp>
- Send you DD214 to Brandy Schooler, Prior Learning Specialist. Request your military transcript evaluation
  - Brandy Schooler [bschool1@msudenver.edu](mailto:bschool1@msudenver.edu)  
303-605-5574

#### State Residency for Tuition Classification

- Honorably discharged Veterans, Active/Reserve Service, Colorado National Guard Members and Dependents may qualify. Visit the site for more information
  - [www.msudenver.edu/admissions/residency](http://www.msudenver.edu/admissions/residency)

#### Submit a Federal Student Aid Application

- Online at <https://studentaid.gov/> with school code: 001360
- Complete the application each academic year
- Federal Financial Aid and GI Bill can be used at the same time with no impact to GI Bill

#### Take Placement assessments, attend Orientation and meet with an Advisor

- Assessment and Testing  
[www.msudenver.edu/testing](http://www.msudenver.edu/testing)
- Sign-up for orientation  
<http://www.msudenver.edu/otr>
- Contact academic advising  
[www.msudenver.edu/advising](http://www.msudenver.edu/advising)

#### Register for classes

- Log on to your Student Hub  
<http://msudenver.edu/studenthub>
- Go to My Services > Registration > Add/Drop/Waitlist Classes and chose your classes (carefully)

#### Submit a Certification Request (Every Semester)

- <https://www.msudenver.edu/veterans/education-benefits/certification-request/>
- This is required for you to get paid by the VA
- Keep us informed of any class schedule changes via phone, email or in person

#### Apply and Authorize College Opportunity Fund (COF)

- Apply for COF at <https://cof.college-assist.org>
- Authorize the COF stipend on your student hub under Student Records for Lifetime Authorization
  - [www.msudenver.edu/cof](http://www.msudenver.edu/cof)

#### Mandatory Health Insurance

- Post 9/11 GI Bill users at 100% benefit level, do not waive the health insurance, the VA will pay for it.
- Less than 100% Post 9/11, or not using Post 9/11, waive if you have alternate coverage to reduce your out of pocket costs. [www.msudenver.edu/healthcenter](http://www.msudenver.edu/healthcenter)

#### Contact Access Center (if applicable)

- Make an appointment with Access Center if you have any service-connected or learning disability needs @ (303) 615-0200. [www.msudenver.edu/access](http://www.msudenver.edu/access)
- Services are private and confidential

#### Students Veterans of America at MSU Denver Chapter

- Our Mission is to provide a supportive community for student veterans as they transition into college life, graduate successfully, and begin their civilian careers.
- Connect with other veterans at MSU Denver and in the community
  - Networking Opportunities
  - Volunteer Opportunities
  - Social Events

<https://www.msudenver.edu/veterans/student-veterans-of-america/>

**Veteran and Military Student Services**

Tivoli Room 215

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### New Dependent Student Checklist

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- In person Student Success Bldg., Admissions Office #1  
No fee charge for in-person applications
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#### Attend Orientation and meet with an advisor

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#### Visit the Veteran and Military Student Services Center

- Come by to study, grab a coffee, and meet other Veteran/Military and Dependent students
- We can answer your questions about Veteran resources at MSU Denver and in the community
- [www.msudenver.edu/veterans](http://www.msudenver.edu/veterans)

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