New Veteran/Military Student Checklist

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- 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
- 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/](https://www.msudenver.edu/admissions/sendit/)
- Request your military transcripts
  - Army, Navy, Marines & Coast Guard [https://jst.doded.mil](https://jst.doded.mil)
- Send your DD214 to the Prior Learning Specialist.
- Request your military transcript evaluation
  - pla@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 [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.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](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](http://msudenver.edu/studenthub)
- Go to My Services > Registration > Add/Drop/Waitlist Classes and chose your classes (carefully)

Submit a Certification Request (Every Semester)
- 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](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 Disability Services (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/studentveteransorganization/](https://www.msudenver.edu/veterans/studentveteransorganization/)

Veteran and Military Student Services
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New Dependent Student Checklist

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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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