
Reserve Education Assistance Program (REAP)**What is REAP?**

The Reserve Education Assistance Program (REAP) provides education assistance to Guard and Reservists who have served 90 days or more in a contingency operation after September 11, 2001.

Who is Eligible?

Basic Eligibility Criteria (DoD and DHS [Coast Guard] determine eligibility to this program):

1. Must have been called to active duty under federal authority for a contingency operation as determined by Congress or the President.
2. Must have served on active duty in a contingency operation for at least 90 continuous days after September 11, 2001.
3. Must remain within your component to use benefits.

How Long Do I Have to Use My Benefits?

You have 36 months of full time entitlement to use. Your benefits begin after the 90-day minimum service period is completed. There is no time limit for using benefits provided you remain within your component. Once you leave your component or are discharged (except for disability), your eligibility to REAP benefits will end.

What Programs Are Available?

- College or University Degree Programs
- Vocational Programs
- Independent Study or Distance Learning Programs
- Correspondence Courses
- Flight Training
- On the Job Training and Apprenticeship Programs
- Tuition Assistance Top Up Program
- Entrepreneurship Courses

VA does not approve schools or programs for benefits. Each individual state approves schools and courses. To find out if your school or program is approved for VA educational benefits under REAP, contact your school's VA Certifying Official, or call VA at (888) GIBILL-1.

How Can I Apply?

You can apply by filling out VA Form 22-1990, Application for Education Benefits. *You can also apply on line through our website at <http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp>.*

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