

# VETERANS AFFAIRS EDUCATION BENEFITS

The Office of the Registrar assists veterans and reservists of the United States armed forces, as well as military-affiliated students, in receiving education benefits in compliance with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

The New College of Florida School Certifying Official (SCO) serves as the liaison between the College and the VA and is responsible for transmitting certifications for education benefits and enrollment verification to the VA.

For questions about how VA education benefits, including the Yellow Ribbon Program, impact student financial aid and billing, please contact the Office of Financial Aid (<https://www.ncf.edu/admissions/financial-aid/>).

## Important Information

To apply for VA education benefits you must provide a copy of your Certificate of Eligibility that shows you are entitled to benefits for an approved program of study. The Certificate of Eligibility is necessary for us to certify enrollment before you can get paid.

In some cases, discharged veterans must provide a copy of their Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD 214) in order to prove eligibility for other benefits, such as those provided for in the State of Florida statutes.

The best way to receive a copy of your DD 214 is to register for an eBenefits account at [www.ebenefits.va.gov](http://www.ebenefits.va.gov) (<http://www.ebenefits.va.gov/>). Once you have an account, click the "Manage Benefits" tab, and go to the Military Personnel File (DPRIS) link to request a copy of your DD 214. If you served before records were scanned into the system, try <https://www.archives.gov/veterans> (<https://www.archives.gov/veterans/>) and click the "Request Military Records Online" tab.

## College Credit for Military Training

Please contact the Office of the Registrar at (941) 487-4230 for assistance in converting military training to college credits.

Veterans and their spouses and children may qualify for certain waivers of tuition and fees. The waivers are listed in New College's Regulations Manual (<https://www.ncf.edu/departments/office-of-the-general-counsel/regulations-policies-procedures/>) under Chapter 3-1003(5)(a) (5), 3-1003(5)(a)(12), and 3-1003(5)(a)(14-17). To apply for a waiver or exemption of fees, please use the form available on the Opportunities for U.S. Military, Veterans, and Families webpage (<https://www.ncf.edu/admissions/financial-aid/veterans/>).

## New College of Florida (Facility Code 11048510) Policy: Veterans Benefits and Transition Act

In compliance with Section 103, Title 38 US Code 3679, of the Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018, New College of Florida will not impose the following penalties on covered individuals<sup>1</sup> even if

disbursement of funds from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs is delayed:

- postpone or prevent enrollment
- assess late fees
- deny access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities
- require a student to borrow additional funds

### New College Requires the Following of Chapter 31 or Chapter 33 Students:

- a VA Certificate of Eligibility (COE)
- a written request to be certified
- any additional information necessary for the College to properly certify enrollment

### This Provision Ends on the Earlier of the Following Dates:

- the date on which payment from the VA is made to the College; or
- 90 days after the date the College certified tuition and fees following receipt of the Certificate of Eligibility

<sup>1</sup> A covered individual is defined as any student who is entitled to educational assistance under Chapter 31 (Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment) or Chapter 33 (Post 9/11 G.I. Bill).