



2025/2026 Undergraduate Information Sheet

Post-9/11 GI Bill® (Chapter 33) and Yellow Ribbon Program

Post-9/11 GI Bill® (Chapter 33) Benefit

- The tuition and fee benefit cap for the 2025/2026 academic year at a private school is \$29,920.95 for students with a 100% eligibility tier level.
 - Tuition and fee benefit payments are made directly to the student's university account.
- The monthly housing allowance is paid at the E5 with dependents Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) rate based on the school's zip code.
 - As of August 1, 2025, the monthly housing allowance rate is \$1,521 at the 100% eligibility tier level.
 - Payment is made directly to the student's personal bank account at the end of each month.
 - Payments for August, December, January, and May are prorated.
 - For more information: <https://www.travel.dod.mil/Allowances/Basic-Allowance-for-Housing/BAH-Rate-Lookup/>
- Stipends for books and supplies are up to \$1,000 per academic year at the 100% eligibility tier level.
 - Payment is made directly to the student's personal bank account.
- Benefits for less than the 100% eligibility tier level are paid at the percentage rate of eligibility, as determined by the VA based on the service member's record of service.
 - For example, at the 60% eligibility tier level the benefits for an academic year are estimated at:
 - Tuition and fee benefit cap: \$17,952.57 (60% of \$29,920.95)
 - The benefit paid will be 60% of the net tuition and fees reported to the VA, up to \$17,952.57 for the academic year
 - Monthly housing allowance: up to \$912.60 (60% of \$1,521.00)
 - Books and supplies stipend: up to \$600 (60% of \$1,000)
- University scholarships (including Provost's and Notre Dame Club scholarships) are awarded based upon demonstrated financial need. The receipt of Chapter 33 benefits may result in an adjustment of previously awarded University scholarships. The adjustment of University scholarships is made upon the receipt of the VA tuition and fee benefits.

- Students receiving a scholarship from an outside organization must provide the Office of Financial Aid with a letter from that organization, prior to August 1 of the academic year, specifying for which college costs their scholarship funds may be used (i.e. tuition, fees, room, board, books and supplies, etc.) and if the scholarship is renewable.
 - Without such a statement from the outside organization, or if the scholarship can only be used for tuition and fees (tuition restricted), the value of the scholarship will be deducted from the tuition and fees reported to the VA.
- Revisions to the disbursement(s) made by the VA may result in an overpayment of benefits. In these cases, reimbursement of the overpaid amount will be required.
 - It is the student's responsibility to ensure repayment of any over award for housing and books payments.
- To renew each term, the student must complete the Benefit Election Form, available from the Office of the Registrar.
 - Yellow Ribbon is not available for summer enrollment
- Eligible students may request retroactive certification for the Chapter 33 Benefit at any time. The VA ultimately determines eligibility for retroactive Chapter 33 Benefits.
- Updated information and further Chapter 33 policy information is available at: https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/post911_gibill.asp

Yellow Ribbon Program Requirements

The University of Notre Dame has proudly participated in the Post-9/11 GI Bill® Yellow Ribbon Program since its inception in August 2009.

- Students who are eligible at the 100% level for veterans or dependents under the Transfer of Entitlement Benefit (TEB) will be considered for the Yellow Ribbon award.
- The school must continue to participate in the Yellow Ribbon Program and have an opening available.
 - Yellow Ribbon opportunities at the University of Notre Dame may vary based upon student level (i.e. undergraduate or graduate student) and academic program.
 - Notre Dame currently offers an Unlimited number of Yellow Ribbon awards to admitted students.
 - The University's continued participation in the Yellow Ribbon program, the value of the Yellow Ribbon award and the number of Yellow Ribbon awards may change each academic year pending completion of the annual Yellow Ribbon participation agreement with the VA.

- The value of Notre Dame's portion of the Yellow Ribbon award is **up to** one half of the unmet net tuition and fees, capped at the amount committed by the school as outlined in the Yellow Ribbon Program agreement.
 - The VA will match the amount of Notre Dame's portion of the Yellow Ribbon award.
- Sufficient benefit eligibility time (i.e. remaining months of eligibility) is needed to cover the full semester or term in order to receive the full Chapter 33 and Yellow Ribbon values for that term.
- Eligible students may request retroactive certification for the Yellow Ribbon award any time during the current academic year. The final day to request certification is the Friday of finals week of the spring semester. Yellow Ribbon retroactive certification will be limited to eligibility for the current academic year only.
- The student must maintain Standards of Progress as outlined in *du Lac* and the *Bulletin of Information* and remain in good standing at the University
- Please see the *Post-9/11 GI Bill® Yellow Ribbon* on the VA website at: <https://www.va.gov/education/about-gi-bill-benefits/post-9-11/yellow-ribbon-program/>.

Financial Aid

- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the CSS Profile.** Though applying for financial aid is *not* required to take advantage of VA benefits, we encourage families to submit the financial aid applications. Information on applying for financial aid is available at: <https://financialaid.nd.edu/apply-or-renew/>

University Student Account

- The VA benefits must be received before the University will credit the disbursement to your account. Payment of University charges exceeding the total of VA tuition and fee benefits is required by the due date.
- Payment of the room and board charge is required by the due date each semester.
- Families receiving Chapter 33 housing benefits may find the interest-free monthly payment plan helpful to cover remaining charges. Information about the payment plan may be found here: <http://studentaccounts.nd.edu/payments/monthly-payment-plan/>.

2025/2026 Examples of Benefit

Chapter 33 and Yellow Ribbon			
	Fall	Spring	Academic Year
Tuition and Mandatory Fees*	\$33,803.50	\$33,803.50	\$67,607.00
Chapter 33 T&F Benefit (Maximum)	<u>(29,920.95)</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>(29,920.95)</u>
<i>Unmet Tuition and Fees</i>	\$3,882.55	\$33,803.50	\$37,686.05
VA YR**	(1,941.27)	(16,901.75)	(18,843.02)
ND YR**	<u>(1,941.28)</u>	<u>(16,901.75)</u>	<u>(18,843.03)</u>
University Balance for T&F	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Chapter 33 and Yellow Ribbon—with receipt of scholarship restricted to T&F			
	Fall	Spring	Academic Year
Tuition and Mandatory Fees*	\$33,803.50	\$33,803.50	\$67,607.00
Outside Scholarship for T&F	<u>(2,000.00)</u>	<u>(2,000.00)</u>	<u>(4,000.00)</u>
<i>Net T&F to VA</i>	\$31,803.50	\$31,803.50	\$63,607.00
Chapter 33 T&F Benefit (Maximum)	<u>(29,920.95)</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(29,920.95)</u>
<i>Unmet Tuition and Fees</i>	\$ 1,882.55	\$31,803.50	\$33,686.05
VA YR**	(941.27)	(15,901.75)	(16,843.02)
ND YR**	<u>(941.28)</u>	<u>(15,901.75)</u>	<u>(16,843.03)</u>
University Balance for T&F	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*Amount does not include room and board charges

**May differ due to rounding

- For an estimate of benefits less than 100%, please contact the Office of Financial Aid.

The information above is provided solely as examples of the Chapter 33 benefit for full-time undergraduate students at the University of Notre Dame and is not intended to supersede VA policy.

VA Documentation Checklist

Please submit the required Certificate of Eligibility to both the Office of Financial Aid and Office of the Registrar via email at faforms@nd.edu and jbracket@nd.edu. The student's name and NDID (if available) should be included.

- **Required: Certificate of Eligibility (COE).** This document is issued by the VA once the review of a student's application for Post-9/11 GI Bill® education benefits is complete.
 - **Optional: Approved Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB).** A screenshot or official email showing the transfer of benefits may be submitted as supplemental documentation prior to receipt of the COE. The COE must be submitted when it is available.
- The VA may require the student be 18 years of age or have attained a secondary school diploma at the time the application is submitted.
- Please remove Social Security Numbers prior to submitting all documents to the Office of Financial Aid.

Office of the Registrar – VA Certification of Enrollment

- **Contact Primary School Certifying Official.** The School Certifying Official will need student NDID number, program/degree, and starting semester. If you have not yet been admitted or are still waiting on VA processing of VA Form 22-1990, you may still be added to the prospective student list with the SCO.
- **Complete Benefit Election Form.** This form is available from the VA School Certifying Official. Form is sent out to all students who have notified the SCO of enrollment at ND. Form gets sent out in July, December, and April for the upcoming semester. Form must be completed before student enrollment can be sent to the VA.

The GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by the VA is available at the official U.S. government Website at <https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill>

Questions

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