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Chapter 33 - Post 9/11 GI Bill®

How do I qualify for CH 33 and when can I use it?

- To qualify you must serve at least 90 days of qualifying active duty on or after 11 SEP 2001. Qualifying active duty is defined as:
 - Service in an active component
 - Mobilization or other active service in a reserve component under:
 - Title 10 USC, Sections 688, 12301(a), 12301(d), 12301(g), 12301(h), 12302, 12304, 12304a, and 12304b
 - Title 10 AGR or Title 32 AGR
 - Title 32 ADOS for National Emergencies declared by the President only:
 - In Support of Operation Noble Eagle 11 SEP 01 – 31 MAY 02
 - Southwest Border/Operation Guardian Shield 15 FEB 19 – 20 JAN 21
 - In Support of COVID-19 Pandemic 20 MAR 20 – 1 JUL 22
 - U.S. Capitol Security and Inauguration 14 JAN 21 – 23 MAY 21
 - Basic Training and/or AIT can be added to qualifying time only if:
 - You have completed 24 months of qualifying active service; and
 - Your Basic Training and/or AIT was completed after 11 SEP 01
- The following duty does NOT qualify for Chapter 33:
 - Title 32 ADOS/ADSW other than described above
 - Title 10 service under a USC not listed above
 - Active-duty service to satisfy a service academy or ROTC obligation
 - Active-duty service to satisfy obligation for Active-Duty Loan Repayment
 - Active-duty period which received a less than Honorable discharge
- Period to use the benefit following active-duty service varies:
 - 15 years following active duty that was completed BEFORE 1 JAN 2013
 - No end date for active duty completed ON OR AFTER 1 JAN 2013

What are the Payment Tiers?

Active Duty Service	Percentage
At least 36 cumulative months*	100%
At least 30 days and discharged for service connected disability	100%
Purple Heart Recipients	100%
At least 30 cumulative months*	90%
At least 24 cumulative months*	80%
At least 18 cumulative months	70%
At least 6 cumulative months	60%
At least 90 cumulative days	50%

*May include Basic Training and AIT if completed after 11 SEP 2001

How do the payments work?

- Tuition and Fees
 - Pays the payment tier percentage for in-state tuition to the school
 - Max payment of \$27,120.05/year for a private or foreign school
 - Max payment of \$15,497.15/year for flight training
- Book Stipend
 - \$41.67 per credit hour, up to \$1,000/yr (payment tier applies)
- Housing Stipend:
 - Must be attending more than ½ time
 - Equivalent to BAH of E5 with dependents for school's zip code
(Compare schools here- <https://www.va.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool>)
 - If attending solely online, ½ national average (\$1,054.50/mo)
 - If attending a foreign school, \$2,109/mo.
 - Payment tier percentage and rate of pursuit applies
 - Soldiers currently serving on qualifying active-duty orders (including AGRs) are NOT eligible for Housing Stipend at that time.

How do I apply?

- Apply online at- www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/ (4-6 weeks to process)
- Notify school's veterans office you plan to use GI Bill
- Verify you monthly attendance- <https://gibill.va.gov/wave/>
- Stipends are tax free, direct deposited by Dept. of Veteran's Affairs

Can I use Federal or State Tuition Assistance and my CH 33 GI Bill at the same time?

- Yes. Post 9-11 GI Bill pays its tuition percentage last after State TA and Federal TA.