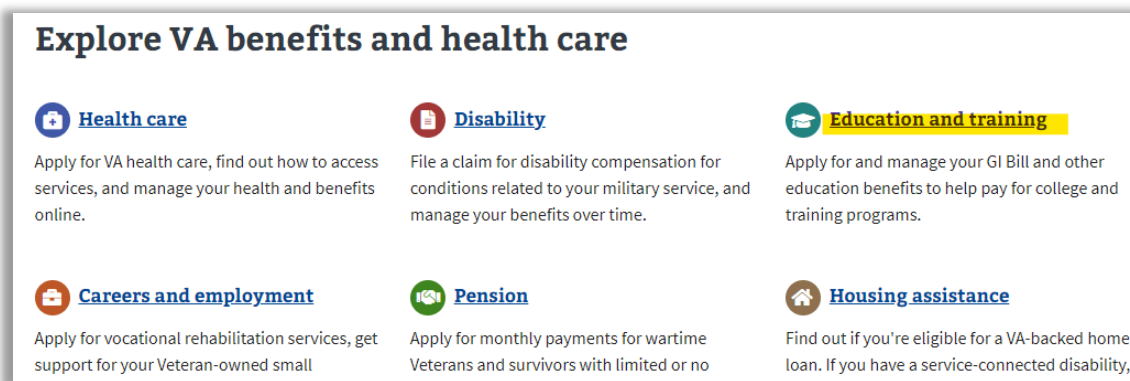


## How to apply for VA benefits via [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov) website

(Example given is for Chapter 35.)

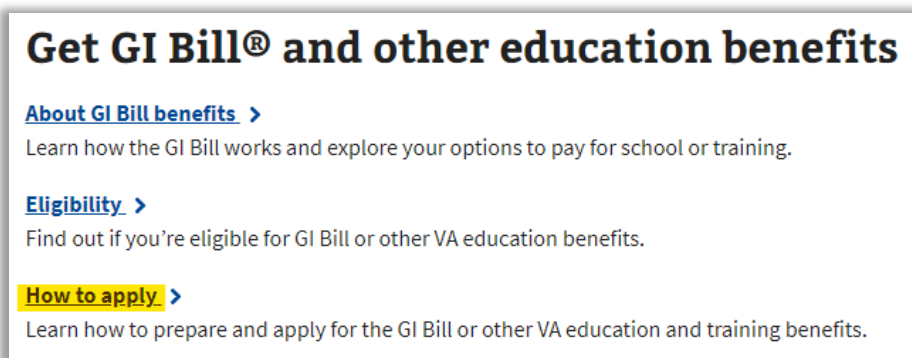
Step 1. Scroll down to **Explore VA benefits and healthcare** area, and Click **Education and Training**



**Explore VA benefits and health care**

- Health care**  
Apply for VA health care, find out how to access services, and manage your health and benefits online.
- Disability**  
File a claim for disability compensation for conditions related to your military service, and manage your benefits over time.
- Education and training**  
Apply for and manage your GI Bill and other education benefits to help pay for college and training programs.
- Careers and employment**  
Apply for vocational rehabilitation services, get support for your Veteran-owned small
- Pension**  
Apply for monthly payments for wartime Veterans and survivors with limited or no
- Housing assistance**  
Find out if you're eligible for a VA-backed home loan. If you have a service-connected disability,

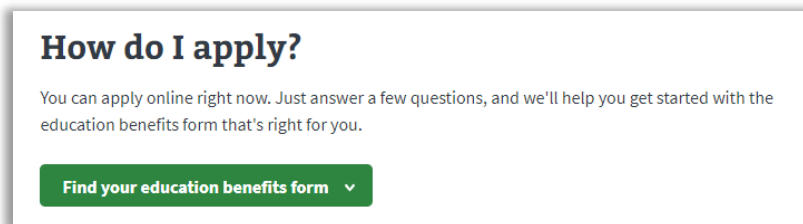
Step 2. Scroll down to **Get GI Bill® and other education benefits** area, and click **How to apply**



**Get GI Bill® and other education benefits**

- [About GI Bill benefits >](#)  
Learn how the GI Bill works and explore your options to pay for school or training.
- [Eligibility >](#)  
Find out if you're eligible for GI Bill or other VA education benefits.
- [How to apply >](#)**  
Learn how to prepare and apply for the GI Bill or other VA education and training benefits.

Step 3. Scroll down to **How do I apply?** area and click **Find your education benefits form.**



**How do I apply?**

You can apply online right now. Just answer a few questions, and we'll help you get started with the education benefits form that's right for you.

[Find your education benefits form](#) ▾

Step 4. Answer the questions that are generated, then click **Apply now.**

For students applying for Chapter 35 benefits: Answers:

- Are you applying for a benefit...place of training? > Answer: "Applying for a new benefit"
- Are you a Veteran or service member...own service? > Answer: "No"
- Has your sponsor transferred their benefits to you? > Ans. "No"
- Is your sponsor deceased...POW? > Answer: "Yes"

**Find your education benefits form** ^

Are you applying for a benefit or updating your program or place of training?

Applying for a new benefit

Updating my program of study or place of training

Applying for the Edith Nourse Rogers STEM Scholarship after using Post-9/11 GI Bill or Fry Scholarship benefits

Are you a Veteran or service member claiming a benefit based on your own service?

Yes

No

Has your sponsor transferred their benefits to you?

Yes

No

Is your sponsor deceased, 100% permanently disabled, MIA, or a POW?

Yes

No

**Apply now**

Step 5. Click ***Start your application without signing in.***

# Apply for education benefits as an eligible dependent

Equal to VA Form 22-5490 (Dependents' Application for VA Education Benefits).

## **i** Save time—and save your work in progress—by signing in before starting your application

When you're signed in to your VA.gov account:

- We can prefill part of your application based on your account details.
- You can save your application in progress, and come back later to finish filling it out. You'll have 60 days from the date you start or update your application to submit it. After 60 days, we'll delete the form and you'll need to start over.

**Note:** If you sign in after you've started your application, you won't be able to save the information you've already filled in.

[Sign in to start your application](#)

[Start your application without signing in](#)

Step 6. Fill out and submit the application. Write down the confirmation number you are given.

Step 7. Wait for the VA to send you a communication (via email or regular mail) stating whether or not you are approved for the benefit. If approved, the communication will include your ***Certificate of Eligibility***. If you do not receive the communication within 30 days, call the GI Bill hotline: 888-442-4551.

Step 8. Submit the ***Certificate of Eligibility*** to UVF via email to [militarybenefits@valleyforge.edu](mailto:militarybenefits@valleyforge.edu).