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## **Veterans Education Benefits Checklist**

The Veterans Success Center will assist all eligible veterans and dependents to obtain Veterans Education Benefits while they attend Texas Southmost College. Below is a checklist of the documentation needed for VA Education Benefits.

To apply for VA Education Benefits, go to <u>https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/</u>. The Certificate of Eligibility will be mailed to you once VA processes your application/claim.

*Chapter 30: MONTOMERY GI BILL®-ACTIVE DUTY	Chapter 31: VOCATIONAL READINESS & EMPLOYMENT
<ul><li>DD-Form 214 member 4</li><li>Certificate of Eligibility</li></ul>	<ul> <li>DD-Form 214 member 4</li> <li>Authorization from VA Counselor</li> </ul>
Request for Certification Form	Request for Certification Form
Chapter 33: POST-9/11 GI BILL®	Chapter 35: DEPENDENTS' EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE
DD-Form 214 member 4	
Certificate of Eligibility	Certificate of Eligibility
Request for Certification Form	Request for Certification Form
*Chapter 1606: MONTGOMERY GI BILL <sup>®</sup> -SELECTED	**Request for Certification form is required for
RESERVE	every term that benefits want to be used**
Certificate of Eligibility	*Chapter 30 and 1606 recipients must verify their
Request for Certification Form	enrollment at the end of the month for payment at: 1-877-823-2378 or
	https://gibill.va.gov/wave/index.do

**NOTE:** Only courses listed on your Program of Study can be certified for VA Benefits. If you register for course/s not in your Program of Study you will be responsible to pay for the tuition and fees for the course/s. Please visit the Veterans Success Center if you need to re-take a course.

\*\*If you will be changing your Program of Study or are a new student that previously used benefits at another institution, you will need to complete VA form 22-1995/5495 and provide an updated Program of Study from Academic Advising.

If you have any questions, please visit:

Veterans Success Center

Arnulfo Oliveira Student Services Bldg. http://www.tsc.edu/index.php/financial-aid-office/veterans-success-center.html



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## **Texas Hazlewood Act Exemption**

## **Documentation Checklist**

The Hazlewood Act is a State of Texas benefit that provides qualified veterans, spouses, and dependent children with an education benefit of up to 150 hours of tuition exemption, including most fee charges, at public institutions of higher education in Texas. This does NOT include living expenses, books, or supply fees. Below is a checklist of the documentation needed for the Hazlewood Act Exemption.

## \*\*To comply with the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requirements, ALL applicants

(Veteran and dependents) must register into the Hazlewood Online Database to use the Hazlewood Exemption at <u>https://hazlewood.tvc.texas.gov/students/</u>.

Veteran	Legacy: Transfer of Hazlewood Benefit to a child
<ul> <li>Initial Hazlewood Application</li> <li>DD Form-214 member 4</li> <li>Texas ID or Driver's License</li> <li>Certificate of eligibility if discharged post 9/10/2001</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Request for Certification</li> <li>Initial Hazlewood Application</li> <li>Veteran DD Form-214 member 4</li> <li>VA Certificate of Eligibility if discharged post 9/10/2001</li> <li>Veteran: Texas ID or DL/Death Certificate if deceased</li> <li>Student: Texas ID or DL</li> <li>Child dependency document (birth cert., adoption documentation, most recent IRS TAX transcript)</li> <li>Must be 25 years old or younger on first day of class</li> </ul>
Child or Spouse: Totally and Permanently Disabled or Unemployable Veteran	Child or Spouse: Service-related deceased, MIA, or KIA
<ul> <li>Initial Hazlewood Application</li> <li>Veteran DD Form-214 member 4</li> <li>VA Disability Rating Letter</li> <li>Student Texas ID or DL</li> <li>Proof of dependency document (birth cert., adoption documentation, current IRS 1040)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Initial Hazlewood Application</li> <li>Veteran DD Form-214 member 4</li> <li>Death Certificate/Report of Casualty (DD Form 1300)</li> <li>Student Texas ID or DL</li> <li>Proof of dependency</li> <li>VA documentation if veteran's service-related death was after being discharged.</li> </ul>

**NOTE**: Applications and all supporting documentation must be submitted no later than the last day of class of the semester requesting the benefit, in order to be evaluated for that semester or term.

\*\* Applicants must meet the GPA requirement of the institution's satisfactory academic progress policy in a degree or certificate program as determined by the institution's financial aid policy and, as an undergraduate student, not be considered to have attempted an excessive amount of credit hours. This requirement does not apply to the child of a MIA, KIA, or service connected deceased Veteran.