**REQUIRED STEPS:**

1. **Apply for VA Education Benefits**
   - Visit [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov) to apply
   - This application will generate your Certificate of Eligibility in 30 days
2. **Apply for Admissions at BBCC**
   - Visit [https://www.bigbend.edu/i-am/new-student/](https://www.bigbend.edu/i-am/new-student/)
   - Complete online or paper application
   - Once you receive your Acceptance Letter, follow the steps to sign up for New Student Registration
3. **Submit Prior Transcripts**
   - Send prior official transcripts, including Joint Service Transcripts to admissions. Contact kerrif@bigbend.edu if you have any questions.
4. **Submit BBCC Veteran Reporting Form**
   - Submit completed Reporting Form to Certifying Official at: veronicap@bigbend.edu
5. **Take Placement Tests**
   - Schedule an appointment for placement testing at 509-793-2064 ($20 fee)
   - Or, show completion of college level Math & English classes from prior college.
6. **Register for Classes**
   - Attend New Student Registration to register for classes and to learn about BBCC resources

**OPTIONAL STEPS:**

1. **Apply for Additional Financial Aid**
   - Visit [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov) for more information on grants, scholarships, and loans
2. **Connect with BBCC’s Vet Navigator**
   - Access a support network and additional veteran resources- contact Mike Garoutte at 509-793-2232
3. **Access Disability Support Services**
   - Call 509-793-2035 to schedule an appointment

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

- Certificate of Eligibility
- BBCC Reporting Form
- Prior Transcripts
- Program Plan
- *DD-214
- *Change in Place of Training

**FAQ’S**

Q: How much is the monthly housing allowance?
A: For 100% eligible Post-9/11 GI B1H® recipients enrolled in at least 12 credits (w/ at least one residential class), the MHA is $1,380/month

Q: Will the VA pay for all of my classes?
A: The VA will only pay for the classes that are required for the completion of your degree.

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**IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

- You must notify the School Certifying Official **each quarter** when your schedule is final and you’re ready to be certified.
- You must notify the School Certifying Official **if you want to change your program**.
- You must contact the School Certifying Official **if you want to change your schedule after you have been certified**.
- You must maintain **Satisfactory Academic Progress** to be eligible for VA Education Benefits.