

### Big Bend COMMUNITY COLLEGE STEPS TO VA ENROLLMENT

### **REQUIRED STEPS:**

#### 1. Apply for VA Education Benefits

- Visit <u>www.va.gov</u> to apply
- This application will generate your Certificate of Eligibility in 30 days
- 2. Apply for Admissions at BBCC
  - Visit <u>https://www.bigbend.edu/i-am/new-student/</u>
  - 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: <u>veronicap@bigbend.edu</u>

#### 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

### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

- You must notify the School Certifying Official <u>each quarter</u> 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 <u>Satisfactory Academic Progress</u> to be eligible for VA Education Benefits.

### **OPTIONAL STEPS:**

- 1. Apply for Additional Financial Aid
  - Visit <u>www.studentaid.gov</u> 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

**School Certifying Official** 

Veronica Pruneda

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509-793-2452

 Call 509-793-2035 to schedule an appointment

## <u>REQUIRED</u> DOCUMENTS:

\*If applicable

- □ 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.