Military Benefits

Veterans Affairs

While attending Simmons University, Student Financial Services will serve as your liaison to the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs. We will assist you in the process of using your VA entitlement, processing of VA forms, adhering to procedural requirements and certifying enrollment.

Resources for Military Personnel

- For information on available benefits, and step-by-step instructions on how to apply, we recommend you read the "Road Map for Success" section of the GI Bill website.
- The GI Bill website also provides a list of required documents. Specific forms for veterans, service members and dependent benefits can be found at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.
- You can use the VA’s online tool to estimate the benefits you will receive under the Post-9/11 GI Bill.
- Once you have all your paperwork in order and understand your available benefits, you will be ready to submit your application.
- After the Department of Veterans Affairs has processed your application, you will receive a Certificate of Eligibility. A copy of this must be submitted to the Simmons Office of the Registrar.

Resources for Military Dependents

- Determine your eligibility by getting the information you need from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs website.
- Make sure the education program you have chosen is approved for VA training. If you are not sure, contact the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Complete VA Form 22-5490, the Application for Survivors’ and Dependents’ Educational Assistance.
- For additional information and resources, visit the Survivors’ and Dependents’ Educational Assistance Program (DEA) section of the VA website.
- Once the VA has processed your application, you will receive a Certificate of Eligibility. A copy of this must be submitted to the Simmons Office of the Registrar.

Post-9/11 GI Bill

The Post-9/11 GI Bill provides financial support for education and housing to individuals with at least 90 days of aggregate service after September 10, 2001, or individuals discharged with a service-connected disability after 30 days. You must have received an honorable discharge to be eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill. This benefit provides up to 36 months of education benefits, generally payable within the 15 years following
release from active duty. The Post-9/11 GI Bill also offers some service members the opportunity to **transfer their GI Bill to dependents**.

Eligible students should apply through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs in order to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility. **A copy of the Certificate of Eligibility must be provided to Student Financial Services.** Applications can be completed [online](#) or by calling the Department of Veterans Affairs at 1-888-442-4551.

**The Yellow Ribbon**

Launched as a provision of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Act of 2008, this program benefits qualified undergraduate and graduate students. Veterans who are using Post-9/11 GI Benefits and who are entitled to 100% of their benefit may be eligible. To participate in the Yellow Ribbon program, you must be using Post-9/11 GI benefits at 100% eligibility, and cannot be on active duty and or a military spouse.

There are a limited number of Yellow Ribbon awards available to Simmons University students. Please contact [Student Financial Services](#) for more information about this program.

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Request more information about Nursing@Simmons, or speak with an Admissions Counselor at 1-855-461-7466.