

# Education Programs Overview

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## ❖ New Jersey National Guard Tuition (Waiver) Program

- 31 Participating State Schools (see Eligible State School list below)
- *Undergraduate/Graduate* Tuition waived for NJNG members (Army or Air)
  - Must remain in good standing with your unit
  - MUST apply for financial aid *annually* using FAFSA <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>
  - Must apply for Post 9/11 GI Bill (If eligible) – not required if transferred to dependents
  - NJDMAVA Form 621-2-R “Commander’s Certificate” *every semester* (unit issued)
  - Must comply with school policies, procedures and academic standards

[Atlantic](#) Cape Community College  
[Bergen](#) Community College  
[Brookdale](#) Community College  
[Burlington](#) County College  
[Camden](#) County College  
[Cumberland](#) County College  
[Essex](#) County College  
[Gloucester](#) County College  
[Hudson](#) County Community College  
[Kean](#) University  
[Mercer](#) County Community College

[Middlesex](#) County College  
[Montclair](#) State University  
County College of [Morris](#)  
[New Jersey City](#) University  
[NJ Institute of Technology](#)  
[Ocean](#) County College  
[Passaic](#) County Community College  
[Ramapo](#) College of NJ  
[Raritan](#) Valley Community College  
[Richard Stockton](#) College of NJ

[Rowan](#) University  
[Rutgers](#), The State University of NJ  
[Salem](#) Community College  
[Sussex](#) County Community College  
[The College of New Jersey](#)  
[Thomas Edison](#) State College  
[Union](#) County College  
[Univ. of Medicine & Dentistry](#) of NJ  
[Warren](#) County Community College  
[William Paterson](#) University of NJ

Each school has their own policies and procedures for administering the NJNGTP. You must find out which office is responsible for this program and meet with a representative from that office before you register. This will ensure that you follow the school's policy. For assistance, contact the Veterans Affairs Representative, the Financial Aid Office or the Registrar's Office. For website links to New Jersey Public Colleges and Universities go to:

<http://www.nj.gov/military/education/Colleges.htm>

## ❖ ARNG Federal Tuition Assistance

- Subject to the availability of funds from current Fiscal Year budget
- Must be attending any accredited school not listed in the above list
- \$250 per semester hour } Not to exceed 100% of tuition
- \$166 per quarter hour } Up to \$4,500 per soldier, per Fiscal Year
- Soldiers must request TA through [www.GoArmyEd.com](http://www.GoArmyEd.com)
  - prior to the course start date or before the school's late registration period
- Additional information: <http://www.nj.gov/military/education/TA.htm>

## ❖ Evaluation of Military Experience and Degree Planning

- For Military/Civilian educational assessment and degree planning support contact the Education Support Center (ESC) at: <http://www.education.ng.mil>
  - Click "Apply Online" and select "Degree Planning" from the drop down menu
- If you are unable to access the internet the ESC may be contacted at:
  - Toll Free 1-866-628-5999 or Fax 1-501-212-4928 or [esc@ngpec.org](mailto:esc@ngpec.org)

## ❖ Post 9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33) Info provided in a separate handout

NJARNG Education Center, 3650 Saylor's Pond Road, Ft. Dix, NJ 08640  
1 (888) 859-0352 or (609) 562-0711 / 0714 / 0975 Fax: (609) 562-0188

<http://www.nj.gov/military/education>

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# Montgomery GI Bill Overview

# EDUCATION BENEFITS

## ❖ Montgomery GI Bill–Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR) Chapter 1606

### ➤ Basic Eligibility Requirements

- High School Diploma or equivalent (GED)
- Completion of IADT (Basic Training AND MOS Training)
- First Reserve Component 6 Year Contract or service obligation after 30 June 1985

### ➤ Benefits of the MGIB-SR: **(VA Hotline: 1-888-GI-BILL-1)**

- Provides 36 full-time months of entitlement (at VA approved schools) \*
  - FY12 monthly rates for Chapter 1606 are as follows:
    - ◆ Full-time (12+ college credits) **\$345 per month** (Max 36 full-time months)
    - ◆ ¾ Time (9-11 college credits) **\$258 per month** (Max 48 three-quarter time months)
    - ◆ ½ Time (6-8 college credits) **\$171 per month** (Max 72 half-time months)
    - ◆ < ½ Time (< 6 college credits) **\$86.25 per month** (Max 144 less than half-time months)
- Expires **14 years** from the day of eligibility. Total entitlement = 36 x \$345 = **\$12,420**

## ❖ MGIB–Reserve Educational Assistance Program Chapter 1607

### ➤ Basic Eligibility Requirements

- National Guard and Reserve soldiers activated after September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001
- Period of activation must be 90 days or more on active duty (Title 10 orders)

### ➤ Benefits of the MGIB-REAP: **(VA Hotline: 1-888-GI-BILL-1)**

- Provides 36 full-time months of entitlement (at VA approved schools) \*
  - Payment rates for Chapter 1607 are **paid out on a percentage of the MGIB-AD** Chapter 30 (3 Yr. rate), percentages and rates for FY12 are as follows:
    - ◆ 90 days but less than one year **40%** (Full time student) **\$589.20**
    - ◆ One year but less than two years **60%** (Full time student) **\$883.80**
    - ◆ Two years or more **80%** (Full time student) **\$1,178.40**
- Expires **10 years** after separation from the Selected Reserve or exhaustion of benefit

## ❖ Montgomery GI Bill–Active Duty (MGIB-AD) Chapter 30

### ➤ Basic Eligibility Requirements

- Active duty or AGR soldiers (Title 10 or 32) who have served 2 years or more
- Character of discharge is “honorable”
- Soldier paid enrollment fee of \$1200

### ➤ Benefits of the MGIB-AD: **(VA Hotline: 1-888-GI-BILL-1)**

- Provides 36 full-time months of entitlement (at VA approved schools) \*
- FY12 Payment rates for Chapter 30 are based upon time served on AD, they are as follows:
  - AD Service of 3 Years or more: Full-time student = **\$1,473.00** per full-time month of entitlement
  - AD Service Less Than 3 Years: Full-time student = **\$1,196.00** per full-time month of entitlement
- Expires **10 years** from the day of discharge or exhaustion of benefit

## ❖ Montgomery GI Bill–Application Procedures

### ➤ Application Procedures [www.gibill.va.gov/apply-for-benefits/application](http://www.gibill.va.gov/apply-for-benefits/application)

- Soldiers applying for benefits for the first time must submit **VA Form 22-1990**
- “**Application for VA Education Benefits**” VA initial processing time is currently >3 months
- If you have received benefits, but are now switching schools or MGIB chapters, you must submit a **VA Form 22-1995 “Request For Change of Program or Place of Training”**
  - Applications for **Chapter 30, 33 and 1607** must be accompanied with supporting documents of qualifying service i.e. Discharge from Military Service (DD Form 214).
  - Applications for **Chapter 1606** must submit a **NOBE** (Notice of Basic Eligibility) to the Certifying Official at a VA approved school <http://www.nj.gov/military/saa/cd.html>

\* NOTE: Maximum 48 full-time months of entitlement may be used if eligible for more than one chapter.

For more information go to: <http://www.gibill.va.gov>