



VA Shopping Sheet/College Financing Plan

Veterans Resource Center

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Section 1018 of Public Law 116-315, [Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020](#), requires educational institutions to make certain disclosures to students using federal military and/or VA education benefits. To ensure compliance with the law, we have developed the Shopping Sheet/College Financing Plan Information for Student Veterans/Veteran's Dependents.

Cost of attendance: Estimated cost of courses including tuition, fees, books, supplies, living and other additional costs

Information is available on the Solano Community College Financial Aid - Cost of Attendance webpage

<https://solano.edu/financial-aid/how-to-apply/cost-of-attendance.php>

Please note that your final cost depends on you receiving VA benefits to cover for tuition and fees, books/supplies, and housing allowance; any aid to cover for the cost; taking extra courses such as prerequisites; retaking a failed course; changing your program of study which requires more or less credits, change in cost of living; a change in tuition/fees as approved by State Legislature, etc.

Amounts covered by VA Benefits

- VA GI Bill® Comparison tool <https://www.va.gov/education/gi-bill-comparison-tool/>
- VA Payment Rates https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits_resources/rate_tables.asp
- Book Stipend, Monthly Housing Allowance and Monthly Stipend based on benefit and enrollment pursuit rate <https://solano.edu/centers/veterans-resource-center/pay-rates.php>

Types of Federal financial aid offered by the institution, that the student may be qualified to receive

Options are available on the Solano Community College Financial Aid website under the Programs Available tab

<https://solano.edu/financial-aid/>

Estimated Student Loan Debt, College Scorecard and Graduation Rates

Information on Student Loans is on the Solano Community College Financial Aid website

<https://solano.edu/financial-aid/available-programs/direct-loans.php>

Solano Community College - College Scorecard with Student Loan information & Graduation Rates and additional information is available on the US Department of Education College Scorecard website

<https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/school/?123563-Solano-Community-College>

Job Placement Rate

Information is available on the California Community College website

<https://www.calpassplus.org/Launchboard/SWP.aspx>

Solano Community College School Policy on accepting transfer credit and military credit

Incoming transcript information is located on the Admissions and Records website

<https://www.solano.edu/admissions/Transcripts/>

Military Credit information is located on the Veterans Resource Center webpage

<https://solano.edu/centers/veterans-resource-center/policies.php>

Additional Information

In-state Tuition – Students actively using Montgomery GI Bill®–Active-Duty program (Chapter 30), Veterans Readiness and Employment program (formerly called Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment) (Chapter 31), Post-9/11 GI Bill® program (Chapter 33) and Dependents Educational Assistance (Chapter 35) are exempt from paying nonresident tuition regardless of when the veteran separated from the military. Please by filling out the Isakson and Roe Out of State Tuition Waiver <https://solano.edu/centers/veterans-resource-center/forms.php>

VA Monthly Enrollment Verification – Information is available on <https://solano.edu/centers/veterans-resource-center/verify-enrollment.php>

Certification of Enrollment to the VA - Certification for VA Education Benefits each semester is not automatic. Students who wish to receive the benefit must complete the paperwork with the SCO and must submit the Enrollment Status Form and Schedule/Bill every semester after enrolling in courses in order to continue receiving benefits and to prevent delays in payment of benefits. Enrollment Status Form and Schedule/Bill information is located on the Veterans Resource Center webpage <https://solano.edu/centers/veterans-resource-center/forms.php>

All new students are required to go through the New Student process. New students can call 707-864-7105 or email (veterans@solano.edu) the Veterans Resource Center to schedule a New Student appointment to start the process. New Student Packets are located on the Veterans Resource Center webpage <https://solano.edu/centers/veterans-resource-center/forms.php>.

Absence due to Military Service - A student who is an active duty or reservist of the United States military, and who receive orders compelling a withdrawal from courses, should submit the General Student Withdraw Petition, to the Admissions and Records Office, requesting a Military Withdrawal (MW), with proof of such orders to receive a full refund of those courses (For Chapter 33 students, the school will return the tuition and fees to the VA). An “MW” symbol will be assigned and will not be counted in progress probation, dismissal calculations, or in calculating the permitted number of withdrawals a student is allowed. Students can resubmit the application for admission upon return. This petition is located on the Admissions and Records Forms Webpage <https://www.solano.edu/admissions/Important-Resources/ar-forms.php>.

Students who are receiving the VA benefit along with Financial Aid should be aware that withdrawing from a course(s) will have an impact on their benefit/financial aid status. Students are strongly encouraged to talk to the Financial Aid Department and the School Certifying Official.

VA benefits will stop as of the drop date reported for all courses. Students will be responsible for repaying VA the funds received for such course(s), (BAH/Monthly assistance allowance), or submitting a Mitigating Circumstance to the VA.

If you are a Cal Grant recipient and have been called to active military duty, are entering military service, Peace Corps or VISTA, you may apply for a deferment of your Cal Grant for up to three years. Send the Military Deferment Request Cal Grant Programs form to the California Student Aid Commission, along with a copy of your orders.

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