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How to Start Receiving Payments

If you are eligible for GI Bill benefits (Chapters 33, 30, 1606 or 35) and you have recently been hired or promoted into a job that requires new skills, check with your supervisor, training officer, or human resources manager to determine if your program is currently approved.

If the training program is not approved, it's easy to do. Have your employer contact the Texas Veterans Commission at (512) 463-3168, toll-free at (877) 898-3833, or at VetsEd@tvc.state.tx.us to begin the approval process. Keep in mind that not all occupations can be approved.

If you do not have a job or if you are not working in the occupation of your choice, contact your local Texas Veterans Commission employment representative. Local offices can be found at http://www.tvc.state.tx.us/images/uploads/about/VES_Office_Listing.pdf. They can help you find an employer who may offer the kind of training you need to reach your chosen occupational objective.

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

GI Bill Payments for On-the-Job Training & Apprenticeships

The Texas Veterans Commission is nationally recognized for its success in helping veterans get jobs, disability compensation and educational benefits. Over 250 skilled counselors in 75 cities provide one-on-one guidance to veterans and their families to ensure they get the maximum benefits they have earned.

The Texas Veterans Commission is a State agency created to serve Texas veterans, their dependents or survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans benefits and rights. This includes obtaining state and federal benefits such as disability compensation, pension, survivors benefits, employment assistance and educational assistance.

For more information about how the Texas Veterans Commission can help you and your family go to www.texas-veterans.com.



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Receive \$ in Addition to Your Paycheck

Through your service to our country, you may have earned benefits through the Montgomery GI Bill that can provide you, or an eligible family member, with financial compensation while in training and earning a wage.



Receive up to *\$1,563 a month

After you have been hired and are in training for a new job, you may be able to receive up to \$1,563 a month tax-free, on top of your regular salary for the first six months of training through the On-the-Job Training or Apprenticeship programs. You can receive up to \$1,250.40 a month for the second six months of training, \$937.80 a month for the third six months, \$625.20 for the fourth six months, and \$312.60 for the remaining months.

*** Post 9/11 recipients training in Dallas**

What is On-the-Job Training?

On-the-Job Training (OJT) is training you receive while actually performing a job and earning wages. Approvable OJT programs must be at least six months and up to two years in length.

Examples of jobs that provide OJT:

Welder	Corrections Officer
Painter	Auto Mechanic
Cook	Firefighter

What is Apprenticeship Training?

Apprenticeship training is on-the-job training, coupled with a minimum of 144 hours per year of related technical instruction. Apprenticeships are normally two to five years in length.

Examples of jobs with apprenticeship programs:

Electrician	Plumber
Iron worker	Roofer
Sheet Metal Worker	

Monthly Benefits

POST-9/11 GI BILL BENEFITS

Effective October 1, 2011, Post-9/11 GI Bill recipients may also receive benefits while enrolled in apprenticeship/on-the-job training.

The payment rate is as follows:

1. You will receive 100% of your applicable Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) during the first 6 months of training.
2. You will receive 80% of your applicable BAH during the second 6 months of training.
3. You will receive 60% of your applicable BAH during the third 6 months of your training.
4. You will receive 40% of your applicable BAH during the fourth 6 months of training.
5. You will receive 20% of your applicable BAH during the remainder of the training.

Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill OJT Rates effective October 1, 2011

The following rates apply to those completing an enlistment of **three years or more**.

Apprenticeship and On-Job Training	
Training Period	Monthly Rate
First six months of training	\$1,104.75
Second six months of training	\$810.15
Remaining pursuit of training	\$515.55