



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

POST-9/11 GI BILL



DIGITAL EDITION



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IT**

GUARANTEED EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

When you enlist in the Air Force not only will you have a secure job, but your honorable service will also help guarantee future education opportunities for you and/or your dependents through the Post-9/11 GI Bill. The program provides up to 36 months of education benefits with no monetary contribution required.

ELIGIBILITY

You may be eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill benefit if you:

- Served at least 90 aggregate days on active duty.
- Were honorably discharged from active duty.

For maximum education benefits including 100 percent paid tuition (public schools), you must serve at least 36 months on active duty.



TRAINING / FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A variety of training and financial assistance is available:

- Correspondence, cooperative, entrepreneurship and flight training
- On-the-job training
- Independent and distance learning
- Institutions of higher learning undergraduate and graduate degrees
- Scholarships for specific STEM five-year degree programs
- Vocational/technical training, non-college degree programs
- Qualified work-study activities
- Licensing and certification prorated reimbursement
- National testing reimbursement (SAT, ACT, etc.)
- Top-Up Tuition Assistance (used on active duty)*
- Tutorial assistance

* While on active duty, the Air Force Military Tuition Assistance Program pays 100 percent of your tuition (not to exceed a maximum amount for semester credit hour or per quarter credit hour and per fiscal year).

The Top-Up Tuition Assistance program, which is administered by the Veterans Affairs, is used to pay the difference between tuition assistance and the actual tuition rate per semester hour.

BENEFITS

Benefits are based on your total honorable active-duty service and include tuition, fees, a books and supplies stipend and housing allowance.

- There is no deadline to use your entitlements.
- Tuition and fees are paid directly to your school on your behalf.
- Your monthly housing allowance (MHA) is usually the same as the military's basic allowance for housing for an E-5 with dependents. MHA is based on the campus ZIP code where you attend the majority of your classes; amount changes depending upon distance learning or classroom format.

DEPENDENT TRANSFER

To transfer benefits, dependents must be registered in DEERS. As an active-duty Airman, the Post-9/11 GI Bill allows you to transfer your unused benefits to your spouse and/or your unmarried children who are under the age of 23 (dependent children may use transferred benefits up to age 26). You choose the months of entitlements each dependent will receive and you retain the right to revoke or modify the transfer at any time.

You can transfer your benefits to your dependents once you've completed 6 years of service and have 4 years retainability. Your dependents can begin using the educational benefits at the 6th year. Children must be at least 18 years of age, or have a GED/high school diploma.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information on the Post-9/11 GI Bill, visit www.va.gov or call **1-888-442-4551**.

To learn more about Air Force educational benefits including the Air Force Military Tuition Assistance Program, contact your local recruiter or call **1-800-423-USAF**. Also, visit **AIRFORCE.COM**.



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