Veterans’ Affairs Educational Benefits Standards

As a student receiving VA educational benefits at NWC, I understand the following:

I will provide the College with official copies of all academic transcripts so they may be assessed for prior credit, in accordance with the College’s Credit by Examination, Transferability of Courses, CLEP, Challenge Examinations, & Self-Acquired Competency Credit policies, as published in the College Catalog. Additionally, I acknowledge that I will not receive VA benefits for physical education classes*, because they are already credited to my transcripts upon completion of Basic Training. PE classes will be considered as a repeat or passed course.

I am required to attend all classes, contact instructors when absences are unavoidable and make up all work assigned during absences.

I must provide copies of all VA correspondence related to VA Educational Benefits, including Certificates of Eligibility (COE) and/or Notices of Basic Eligibility (NOBE) to the NWC School Certifying Official in order to confirm eligibility of VA Educational Benefits by the first day of each semester in order to protect my rights under Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e).

I must personally walk into, call, or email the NWC School Certifying Official once during the first week of every month that I am registered for courses. This is my verification that I am attending classes for the month. VA education benefits will be stopped if I do not check in. Additionally, chaps. 30 & 1606 must verify enrollment directly with the VA (through WAVES system, by phone, or online) to receive monthly payments (without verifying enrollment monthly with the VA, you will not receive a monthly payment).

For Chapter 33 beneficiaries: In regards to monthly book & housing stipends, I recognize that the initial enrollment certification created by NWC that is submitted to the VA for Educational Benefits may record $0.00 education charges. Education charges are added to subsequent enrollment certifications by the College (after add/drop period) to ensure accurate student course material costs are reflected.

I must immediately report every course I add to, or drop/withdraw from, my semester course registration schedule to the NWC School Certifying Official. If mitigating circumstances are not accepted by the VA, I acknowledge repayment of applicable benefits may be necessary for any dropped/withdrawn course.

I may be funded only for those courses in the NWC catalog required for my program. Non-degree seeking students are ineligible for VA Educational Benefits.

I acknowledge that current VA policies authorize tuition payment at the maximum in-state tuition rate only. If I am being billed at a rate other than the in-state rate, I acknowledge that my VA tuition payments may not fully cover my tuition bill.

I must report a copy of class registration to the NWC School Certifying Official before any VA Educational Benefits will be approved.

I cannot repeat any course I have passed with a grade of A, B, C, or D and receive VA benefits.

I must notify the NWC School Certifying Official of any change in my major by completing and signing VA form and submitting it to the VA.

I cannot receive VA benefits for any course taken for audit and I may have to repay the VA if I receive an academic grade of F for a course. I may repeat a failed course once and still receive VA benefits for the course if it is a required course for my major.

If I receive a grade of “F” for non-attendance, I may have to repay the VA.

I must maintain academic standards required for enrollment at NWC.

I must report any change of address or dependents to the campus NWC School Certifying Official and complete all necessary forms for the VA.

I understand that my educational benefits for all part-term courses will be paid for the period of time in which my courses are in session. (Fall/Spring- courses less than 16 weeks, summer session, etc.)

I understand that by not complying with the above listed guidelines, my educational benefit payments may be delayed, suspended and/or I may have to reimburse the Department of Veterans Affairs for all or a portion of the benefits I received for the entire semester.

I understand that the NWC School Certifying Official will share and submit student information, such as semester and hours registered, grades, billing information and directory information to the Department of Veterans Affairs. The information is confidential and shall be used only for the purpose of obtaining your VA Education Benefits.

Please refer to your “Summary of Educational Benefits” supplied by the VA or call the VA at the phone number listed below for a complete understanding of your educational benefits. My signature below indicates I have read, understand, and will comply with these standards, required by NWC for the receipt of Veteran’s Affairs Educational Benefits at this institution.

Student Name: Dawn Kasinger | School Certifying Official
Dawn.Kasinger@nwc.edu
Phone: 307-754-6040
Fax: 307-754-6154
www.nwc.edu/veterans

Student Signature: VA Regional Office, St. Louis
Phone: (888) 442-4551
General VA Education Information
http://benefits.va.gov/gibill/

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