VETERAN SERVICES AT SINCLAIR

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OUR OFFICE AND YOU

Mission

Sinclair Veteran Services specializes in understanding the unique culture of military-to-civilian transition and commits to serve our military family in achieving their educational goals.

Veterans Lounge

As a thank you for your service; we would like to welcome you to utilize the Veterans Services Lounge. The lounge is intended to serve as a resource space for veteran and service members to use, while working toward your educational goals.

The lounge is open Monday – Friday from 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM and has a maximum occupancy of 10.

Requirements to Use the Veterans Lounge

- Must be veteran or service member of the U.S. Armed Forces
- Currently enrolled in classes at Sinclair College
- Good academic standing

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Our office assists military affiliated Sinclair students with their educational endeavors. Veteran Services assists students in navigating through Veteran Affairs (VA) educational funding to make the transition to college a success. Some of the benefits that are offered to Sinclair military-affiliated students include:

- Benefits Overview
  - Certification of Benefits with the (VA)
- Priority Registration
- Veterans Lounge
- Community Transportation Partnerships (Montgomery County)
- Challenge Coins to Graduating Degree Students
- Graduation Military Honor Cords
- Military Friendly Attendance Policy
- Military Refund Appeal Process
- Newsletter
- Current Military Access Scholarship (CMAS)
- Events
  - Veteran Appreciation Week
  - Community Educational and Job Fairs
  - Memorial Day Remembrance
  - Specialized Military-Affiliated Display Board
Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)

Each branch of the military currently offers Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA) with different restrictions and requirements. To find detailed information, please visit the website for your current branch of service.

Air Force       www.my.af.mil
Army            www.GoArmyEd.com
Coast Guard     www.uscg.mil
Marines         www.marforres.marines.mil
Navy            www.navycollege.navy.mil

If you are near an Education Office, an Education Officer can assist you in applying for these benefits. Federal Tuition Assistance approval forms are due each term to Sinclair’s Bursars Office, Building 10, Room 10244.

Wright Patterson Air Force Base Outreach Office

At the Wright Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB) Education Center, students’ on-base are connected to the Sinclair community through a WPAFB Sinclair advisor. This advisor provides on-site intake services; including admission, registration, financial aid and academic advising assistance.

Education Center
2130 Fifth Street, Area B, Building 50
937/781-9800
wpafb@sinclair.edu
Ohio National Guard Scholarship (ONGSP)

The Ohio National Guard Scholarship Program (ONGSP) is an option that can assist National Guard members to pay for tuition.

*Visit www.ongsp.org to apply for the scholarship.*

The deadline to apply for the scholarship each term is as follows:

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*Ohio National Guard Scholarship approval forms are due each term to the Financial Aid Office, Building 10, Room 10324.*

Current Military Access Scholarship

The Current Military Access Scholarship (CMAS) supplements your military tuition benefits for active duty, reserve and National Guard members paying up to $250 for school fees your benefits do not cover.

CMAS is automatic, no application necessary and will be applied to your student account after you register for classes and follow the process for using your military tuition benefits at Sinclair. For more information about CMAS, please call our WPAFB Outreach Office at (937) 781-9800 or email us at wpafb@sinclair.edu
# Veteran Education Benefits

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<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> call the VA or visit their website to get more information about different benefits and see what you qualify for.</td>
<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> take online DEV classes. The VA will not pay for these online developmental classes.</td>
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<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> send in letters from program chairs/instructors for clinical or internship hours to be certified.</td>
<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> use Tuition Assistance and CH 30, 1606 and 1607 together.</td>
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<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> check with Veteran Services about Residency requirements if you have lived outside of the State of Ohio recently or have recently come off of active duty.</td>
<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> take classes that are not listed on your degree audit.</td>
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<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> bring an updated schedule to the Veteran Services office each time your schedule changes to be certified.</td>
<td><strong>IF YOU</strong> stop attending classes or drop classes without talking to Veteran Services about how this impacts your benefit.</td>
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- Known as the “Old GI Bill”
- Service members had to buy into this program

Payments and Coverage:
- Pays monthly stipend to student
- Cannot be combined with Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)

CH 1606/1607: Montgomery GI Bill®
- National Guard and Reserve GI Bill®
- Chapter 1606 is the benefit used for those in the National Guard or Reserve that have not deployed
- Chapter 1607 is the benefit used for those in the National Guard or Reserve that have deployed (Sunset 11/25/2019)

Payments and Coverage:
- Pays monthly stipend to student
- Cannot be combined with Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)

CH 31: Vocational Rehabilitation
- Benefit granted to students with a VA rated disability and approved by the VA Rehabilitation Counselor
- Required to attend career counseling, orientation and monthly meetings with VA Rehabilitation Counselor

Payments and Coverage:
- Pays tuition, class fees, and initial registration fee
- Pays for all required text books, materials, and supplies
- Pays monthly stipend to student

CH 33: Post 9/11
- Eligible service members are typically granted 12 months to 36 months of benefits ranging from 40-100% based on active duty time
- Service members can grant months of this benefit to spouse and dependents

Payments and Coverage:
- Pays tuition (based on assigned percentage), class fees, and initial registration fee
- Book stipend money provided from VA to student depending on credit hours each term. A cap of $1,000.00 per year for books starting every 1 AUG
- Monthly Housing Allowance provided from VA based on Rate of Pursuit calculation, time frame of classes, and credit hours
Chapter 35: Survivors and Dependents Educational Assistance (DEA)

- Benefit is granted to eligible spouse and dependents of deceased service members or service members that have a 100% VA rated disability

Payments and Coverage:
- Student is awarded a monthly stipend based on college schedule reported to the VA

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For more information about Veteran Affairs (VA) Education Benefits, please visit: www.gibill.va.gov or call the VA at 888-442-4551.
Priority Registration and Self Identification

Priority Registration is a military friendly incentive that has been extended to spouse and dependents of service members and veterans. This incentive allows military-affiliated Sinclair students to register before on-time registration the larger student body. To participate in Priority Registration students must complete a one-time self-identification with the Veteran Services office at the Dayton Campus.

To self-identify, Spouse or Dependents

Must provide Proof of Service AND Proof of Relationship,
Choose one: Choose One:

DD 214 Marriage Certificate
Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE) Birth Certificate
Military ID card Military ID Card
Certificate of Eligibility (COE) Federal and state tax form listing dependents
IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Residency Requirement

The Ohio GI Promise states for those who have at least one year of honorable services and currently reside in Ohio, qualify for Ohio residency. This is not automatically granted to each student as additional information must be provided to the Registration & Records office before residency can be established. This process is important as it can reduce the cost of tuition for students from out-of-state to in-state or Montgomery County rates.

To find the Residency Requirement checklist please go to:
www.sinclair.edu/veterans

Important paperwork needs to be turned in to the Office of Registration and Student Records for the residency exception. For more information, please contact the Office of Registration and Records at (937) 512-3024 or email us at registration@sinclair.edu
**Understanding VA Rate of Pursuit**

The VA has created a measure called Rate of Pursuit to determine the amounts of funding that will be received for monthly stipends.

**Here are some tips for planning your schedule:**

- Rate of Pursuit is not determined in the same manner as Financial Aid. The VA has its own calculation that must be followed to determine Rate of Pursuit hours based on each day of the term.
- Chapter 33 only: At least one class must be taken face-to-face or the MHA reduces to the national housing average, which is much lower.
- Chapter 33 only: To receive any MHA, a student must be in at least 7 training hours for the entire term.

*The VA pays for each day that a student is in classes and any class overlap. If a student is taking classes that run the same dates, training time can be calculated with the boxes listed below. Students who are taking different lengths of classes within the same term should contact Veteran Services to figure out pay rates.*
SINCLAIR VETERAN SERVICES

Dayton Campus Building 11, Room 11342
www.sinclair.edu/veterans
Phone: (937) 512-2586 | Fax: (937) 512-2199
veterans@sinclair.edu

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VA CONTACT INFORMATION

VA Regional Office St. Louis
www.gibill.va.gov
Phone: (888) 442-4551

WAVE (Web Automated Verification of Enrollment)
Website: https://gibill.va.gov/wave/
Phone: (877) 823-2378

Vocational Rehabilitation (CH 31)
Phone: (216) 522-3535