

Quick guide on how scholarships impact VA educational benefits.

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Yellow Ribbon Program: Students participating in the Yellow Ribbon Program are not eligible for any other institutional scholarship(s), grant(s), tuition/fee waiver(s), discount(s), or endowment(s).

For outside scholarships the regular chapter 33 guidelines apply (see below).

Chapters 31 and 33:

When reporting a student's cost of attendance to the VA, CUA is required to "report the tuition and fees charges to the student **after** deducting any amounts paid with Federal Funds (excluding federal financial aid funds, Title IV) such as reserve officer training corps (ROTC), military spouse career advancement accounts (MyCAA), health professionals scholarship program (HPSP) and Government Employees' training Act (GETA)."

When reporting a student's cost of attendance to the VA, CUA is required to report "the lesser of the actual net cost for tuition and fees after the application of any waiver, scholarship, aid, or assistance (Other than Land funds) provided directly to the institution and specifically designated for the sole purpose of defraying tuition and fees"

For both institutional scholarships/grants/etc as well as outside scholarships CUA is required to report the aid to the VA if: 1) It is paid directly to the institution (CUA) and 2) If it is intended to pay for tuition & fees.

If both of these are true CUA will report the student's aid to the VA and this will lessen the amount of funding the VA will provide.

Chapters 30, 35, and 1606: The institution is not required to report scholarship amounts to the VA.

Tuition Assistance: Service members may combine VA benefits and TA as long as the combined benefits do not total more than 100% of the actual cost of tuition and fees.

Students must notify Enrollment Services that they are combining both TA and VA funding so that it can be properly reported.