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### Veterans and Eligible Dependents

The Federal Government has programs which provide financial assistance for veterans and eligible dependents. Information may be obtained by the following methods:

- n The University webpage [www.barry.edu/veterans](http://www.barry.edu/veterans)
- n The GI Bill Website <http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/> or calling [\(888\) GIBILL-1](tel:888GIBILL1)
- n The local or regional Veterans Administration Offices
- n The Barry Veteran Center in Adrian Hall, Room 113, by contacting the Office of the Registrar at [\(305\) 899-3884](tel:3058993884) or via email at [veterans@barry.edu](mailto:veterans@barry.edu)
- n The Cashier Business Office (CBO) for assistance regarding Vocational Rehabilitation and Military Tuition Assistance

A student must be fully accepted into a degree-seeking program or certificate program approved by the State Approving Agency for Veterans Training to use educational benefits. The Veterans Administration will make determination of eligibility for benefits. Enrollment certification for Veterans Programs is completed by the Office of the Registrar.

#### VA Yellow Ribbon Program

Barry University participates in the United States Department of Veterans Affairs' Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program, making a Barry education possible for men and women who joined the military after September 11, 2001.

A provision of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008, this program allows institutions of higher learning (degree granting institutions) in the United States to voluntarily enter into an agreement with the Veterans Affairs (VA) to fund tuition expenses that exceed the annual VA tuition. The institution can contribute up to 50 percent of those expenses and the VA will match the same amount as the institution. For detailed information regarding the Barry Yellow Ribbon Program, please visit <http://www.barry.edu/veterans/post-911.html>.

#### Standards of Progress Policy for Veterans

Satisfactory progress for students receiving Veterans Educational Benefits will be indicated by a Satisfactory Progress Average (SPA) which is a variation of Quality Point Average (QPA). An SPA of 3.0 or greater for graduate students is satisfactory; less than 3.0 is not satisfactory. Any time a student's SPA is not satisfactory, he or she will be certified, in a probationary status, for only one additional semester. If at the end of this additional semester, the student's SPA is still below the satisfactory level, the Veterans Administration (VA) will be notified of the unsatisfactory progress and the student's Veterans Educational Benefits will be terminated. A student whose educational benefits have been terminated with the Veterans Administration (VA) for unsatisfactory progress may petition the Registrar of the University for readmission. A University official will discuss with the student the problems relating to the unsatisfactory progress of the student. If the cause of the unsatisfactory progress has been removed, and the student is readmitted, he or she will be recertified for veterans' educational benefits.

#### Credit for Previous Training

Students eligible to receive educational benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs with previous post-secondary training/experience must request official transcript(s) be sent to Barry University. If the transcript(s) is not received by the end of the first semester, the educational benefits will be terminated until the transcript(s) is received. Should credit(s) be accepted, the VA student's training time and total tuition costs\* will be reduced proportionately. The VA and the student will receive a written notice of credits allowed.

\*This reduction refers to total costs involved in obtaining the degree. Costs are reduced since credits earned at another institution are applied toward this degree. This does not imply a credit reduction allowance for veterans or eligible dependents.

## Addendum to 2018-2019 GR Catalog - Student Veteran Benefits

### VA Pending Payment Compliance

In accordance with Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e), Barry University adopts the following additional provisions for any students using U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11 G.I. Bill® (Ch. 33) or Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment (Ch. 31) benefits, while payment to the institution is pending from the VA.

Barry University will not:

- Prevent the student's enrollment;
- Assess a late penalty fee to the student;
- Require the student to secure alternative or additional funding;
- Deny the student access to any resources (access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities) available to other students who have satisfied their tuition and fee bills to the institution.

To qualify for the provision, such students are required to:

- Produce the VA Certificate of Eligibility (COE) by the first day of class;
- Provide additional Information needed to properly certify the enrollment as described in other Institutional policies.

However, such students are responsible for any portion of their account balance not covered by VA educational benefits.