VETERAN BENEFITS

Welcome and thank you for your service! Cal Poly Veterans Success Center School Certifying Officials are authorized to certify students’ enrollment with Veteran Affairs. See reverse for items/actions needed to complete your enrollment certification.

Our Veteran Success Center is live! Dependents are welcome! Contact our Veteran Success Center today! Explore the resources and opportunities available to you!
veteranscenter@calpoly.edu

Our Student Veterans Organization on campus appreciates your input and participation! They are a great resource to learn about life here at Cal Poly. Do not hesitate to contact them, even before coming to campus.
Dependents are welcome! You can email the Student Veterans Organization at:
veteranscenter@calpoly.edu

Communications to students receiving VA Educational Benefits are via Cal Poly e-mail. Students must activate and use their Cal Poly email address. Students will receive communications throughout the quarter via Cal Poly email. It is essential students read and respond to these emails.

For technical assistance with your Cal Poly email account, contact ITS Help Desk at: (805) 756-7000.

PRIORITY ENROLLMENT:
Veterans possessing a form DD-214 with a discharge other than dishonorable are eligible for priority enrollment at Cal Poly. Do we have your form DD-214? Find out today!
Email: veteranbenefits@calpoly.edu

See reverse for additional important information!
In order to activate your veteran benefits at Cal Poly, provide the following:

Activate benefits at Cal Poly (Veteran):

- DD-214
- CURRENT Veteran Affairs document stating eligibility for the benefit you are using. Examples: Certificate of Eligibility, NOBE (Notice of Basic Eligibility), eBenefits account printout.
- If you have used your benefit anywhere other than Cal Poly, provide a copy of your 22-1995. Complete and submit your 22-1995 at http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/ and provide our office with a copy.
- VA-01 Veteran Benefits Request Form. Complete this form once each academic year. http://veteransuccess.calpoly.edu/content/benefits
- You MUST complete the following each/every quarter or your enrollment certification will NOT forward to Veteran Affairs causing delayed payments. After enrolling in the units you want certified, email veteranbenefits@calpoly.edu from your calpoly.edu email account. The email notification must state you are ready to be certified for the quarter and the amount of units you want certified. This email notification also indicates to us you have checked your degree progress and are certain the units you want certified apply to your degree. ALL emails should come directly from your calpoly.edu email account. Your calpoly.edu email account is accessible through your my.calpoly.edu portal. Go to “Single Click Links”, select “Email & Calendar”.

Activate benefits at Cal Poly (Dependent):

- CURRENT Veteran Affairs document stating eligibility for the benefit you are using. Examples: Certificate of Eligibility, eBenefits account printout.
- If you have used your benefit anywhere other than Cal Poly, provide a copy of your 22-5495. Complete and submit your 22-5495 at http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/default.asp and provide our office with a copy.
- VA-01 Veteran Benefits Request Form. Complete this form once each academic year. http://veteransuccess.calpoly.edu/content/benefits
- You MUST complete the following each/every quarter or your enrollment certification will NOT forward to Veteran Affairs causing delayed payments. After enrolling in the units you want certified, email veteranbenefits@calpoly.edu from your calpoly.edu email account. The email notification must state you are ready to be certified for the quarter and the amount of units you want certified. This email notification also indicates to us you have checked your degree progress and are certain the units you want certified apply to your degree. ALL emails should come directly from your calpoly.edu email account. Your calpoly.edu email account is accessible through your my.calpoly.edu portal. Go to “Single Click Links”, select “Email & Calendar”.

Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014

On August 17, 2014 President Obama signed into law the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-146). PL 113-146, or “VACA” is effective July 1, 2015, and calls for public institutions to provide in-state tuition to qualifying veterans and dependents.

Qualifying veterans and dependents are:

- Students eligible for USC Title 38 benefits (Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill or Chapter 33 Post September 11 GI Bill) &
- Enrolling in classes that begin within 36 months of the veteran’s discharge.

To confirm your eligibility, you must provide our Admissions Office with the following documents:

- The veteran’s DD-214
- The student’s GI Bill Certificate of Eligibility

Our Admissions Office is reached at (805) 756-2311, or admissions@calpoly.edu