

Contacts and Links:

www.virtualarmory.com – Information available in the “education” tab.

<https://minuteman.ngb.army.mil/benefits/>
“Access to online application for FTA and MGIB eligibility documents for the Chapter 1606 and Chapter 1607 MGIB.

Army e-Learning

<https://usarmy.skillport.com> - Provides over 2600 online courses for free.

Department of Veterans Affairs

Toll free: 1-888-442-4551

<http://www.gibill.va.gov> - Provides information and VA forms.

Army/ACE Registry Transcript System (AARTS)

Toll Free: 1-866-297-4427

<http://aarts.army.mil>

Provides transcripts of military training.

Education Support Center

Toll Free: 1-866-628-5999

esc@pec.ngb.army.mil

Credentialing Opportunities On-Line

(COOL) Information available at

www.cool.army.mil.



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Federal Tuition Assistance

- Provides 100% of tuition costs up to \$250 per semester hour or \$167 per quarter hour.
- Limited to \$4,500 per fiscal year including fees. (Books not included)
- May use for one credential at the associate, bachelor, graduate level and vocation/technical certification.
- ETS date must be beyond the end date of the course for enlisted soldiers.
- Officers must remain in the ARNG for 4 years after receiving TA.
- **Steps in how to apply:**
 - Apply online before the term begins; no early than three months before the term begins at:
<https://minuteman.ngb.army.mil/benefits/>.
 - Only request TA for courses required within educational program. Email a copy of degree plan to diane.beach@us.army.mil.
 - Check your account at the college at the beginning of the term to verify if TA covered all of your tuition and fees.
 - Email copy of your unofficial grade report to diane.beach@us.army.mil no later than 30 days after the course end date.

TA operates on a limited budget and is **NOT** a guaranteed benefit. It is offered on a “first come, first served” basis.

Montgomery GI Bill Selective Reserve

- MGIB-SR or the MGIB-AD may be used in combination with TA.
- Must remain a drilling member to retain the MGIB-SR benefit.
- Pays for Vocational, undergraduate and graduate programs. Also pays for apprenticeship programs with employers approved by the VA.
- Provides reimbursements for civilian licensing and certification tests.

Chapter 1606 – Requires a six-year obligation as a drilling member of the ARNG/Reserves, a H.S. Diploma and completion of IADT. **Access to the Notice of Eligibility (NOBE) is available in your IPERMS record.**

Chapter 1607 - ARNG/Reserves who have served on a deployment overseas or a contingency operation. **Access to the Eligibility of Mobilized Soldier (EMS) notification is available at** <https://minuteman.ngb.army.mil/benefits/>.

MGIB-SR kicker - \$200 or \$350 (if eligible).

More information is available on the VA website at www.gibill.va.gov.

Education Programs In support of soldier’s professional and personal self-development goals.

Information concerning the programs listed below can be found at www.virtualarmory.com in the “Education” tab.

- **ARNG Education Support Center:** Evaluates military and civilian transcripts and provides degree Plans.
- **Student Guide to success:** Suggested resources to help prepare for CLEP tests.
- **eDiscover:** Career and college educational guidance program.
- **Testing:** CLEP, Praxis, SAT and more.
- **Army e-Learning:** Over 2600 computer based courses that may be used to earn promotion points and college credit.
<https://usarmy.skillport.com>.
- **Army/ACE Registry Transcript System (AARTS).** Provides recommended college credit based on military education and training. <http://aarts.army.mil>.
- **Credentialing Opportunities On-line (COOL):** Website provides information and resources on civilian certifications and licenses related to soldier’s MOS at www.cool.army.mil.
- **Troops to Teachers:** Information is available at the Lewis & Clark Regional Troops to Teachers website at www.montana.edu/ttt.