



Veterans Retraining Assistance Program Frequency Asked Questions

1. **Question: Who can use the Veterans Retraining Assistance Program?**

Answer: To use the program a Veteran must:

- Be between the ages of 35 and 60
- Be unemployed (as determined by the Department of Labor (DoL))
- Have an other than dishonorable discharge
- Not be eligible for any other VA education benefit program (e.g, the Post Employment 9/11 GI Bill, Montgomery GI Bill, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Assistance)
- Not be in receipt of VA compensation due to un-employability
- Not be enrolled in a federal or state job training program
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2. **Question: What can I use the Veterans Retraining Assistance Program for?**

Answer: Participants must be enrolled in a VA approved program of education offered by a Community College or Technical School. The program must lead to an Associate Degree Non-College Degree or a Certification and train you in a high demand occupation as determined by DoL

3. **Question: How much does the Veterans Retraining Assistance Program pay?**

Answer: You may receive up to 12 months of payments at the full-time Montgomery GI Bill- Active Duty rate (currently \$1,473 per month).

4. **Question: Will the payments under this program be sent directly to the school like payment under the Post- 9/11 GI Bill?**

Answer: No. The benefit will be paid directly to you and you are responsible for paying your expenses including tuition, fees and books.

5. Question: When, where and how can I apply?

Answer: The program begins July 1, 2012. Watch the GI Bill website (www.gibill.va.gov) and follow our GI Bill Facebook page (www.facebook.com/gibillEducation) for more details on when, where and how to apply

6. Question: What will happen when I finish my program?

Answer: The DoL will provide employment assistance to every Veteran who participates upon completion of their program.

7. Question: What do I do if I need a job now?

Answer: There are extensive employment resources available for Veterans provided by the Federal Government. Visit www.fedshirevets.gov and the Department of Labor www.dol.gov/vets to learn more.

* Norristown, PA campus does not accept Veterans Retraining Assistance Program, at this time.