RVCC Checklist for Veteran Education Benefits

- RVCC Application for Admission https://www.raritanval.edu/admissions-information

- RVCC Application fee of $25.00 (Fee waiver attached)

- FASFA Application (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) All students are eligible to apply for additional federal and state aid (RVCC School Code: 007731) View the RVCC Shopping sheet and Tuition/Fee charts for rates and cost of program- Lion’s Den Tabs (handout provided)

- Application for VA Educational Benefits: 22-1990:
  Submit to Department of Veteran Affairs or submit online version www.gibill.va.gov

- Chapter 35 dependents: Application 22-5490 (If applicable)
  Submit to Department of Veteran Affairs or submit online version www.gibill.va.gov

- **Copy** of your submitted Application: 22-1990 or 22-5490 to RVCC

- **Copy** of DD214 to RVCC (Member 4)

- Copy of Certificate of Eligibility or Notice of Benefit Eligibility submitted to RVCC (EBENEFITS or mailed copy)

- RVCC Agreement/Acknowledgement Form

**Transfer Students:** Please submit these additional forms

- Official transcripts from all previous colleges/universities attended~ Joint Services Transcript required (https://jst.doded.mil)

- Application: 22-1995: Change of Program or Place of Training

*All applications and supporting documentation must be received prior to certification of benefits~ Raritan Valley Community College- Attn: Elizabeth Sullivan P.O. Box 3300, Somerville, NJ 08876-1265, 908.526.1200 Ext. 8452

Elizabeth.sullivan@raritanval.edu
RVCC Veteran Application Fee Waiver

All veterans of the US military applying to RVCC are exempt from paying the RVCC application fee. Follow these steps to request your Veteran Fee Waiver:

1. Complete this form
2. Attach proof of your Veteran status (i.e., DD-214 or Deployment/Pre-separation orders)
3. Drop off “Veterans Fee Waiver Request to Veterans Services Office or email forms to elizabeth.sullivan@raritanval.edu

Name: ____________________________________________

Signature: _________________________________________

Application Term in which you are applying: ____________________________

   Fall/Spring/Summer       Year

RV Approval:

Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: ____________________________
RVCC Financial and educational planning guidance

College Navigator: Financial planning and estimated expenses, graduation rates, General information and admissions and enrollment process.

https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/

RVCC Net Price Calculator:

https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/netpricecalculator/#/step-4  (prospective students)
https://www.raritanval.edu/net-price-calculator  (Current students)

College Financial Shopping Sheet: Access Lion’s Den using student ID and RVC Password

Applying for Financial Aid: RVCC FAFSA Code-007731

https://www.raritanval.edu/paying-for-college/applying-for-aid

RVCC Accreditation: Middle States Commission on Higher Education

https://www.raritanval.edu/general-information/accreditation

Graduation and Retention Rates: College Navigator

https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/?q=Raritan+Valley+Community+College&s=NJ&id=186645#retgrad

RVCC Consumer Information:

https://www.raritanval.edu/general-information/policies-and-consumer-information/general-policies
Raritan Valley Community College
118 Lamington Road, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876

General information: (908) 526-1200
Website: www.raritanval.edu/
Type: 2-year, Public
Awards offered: Less than one year certificate
Campus setting: Rural, Fringe
Student population: 7,793 (all undergraduate)
Student-to-faculty ratio: 20 to 1

GENERAL INFORMATION

TUITION, FEES, AND ESTIMATED STUDENT EXPENSES

ESTIMATED FEES FOR FULL-TIME BEGINNING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

- Beginning students are those who are entering postsecondary education for the first time.

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<td>$20,777</td>
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MULTIYEAR TUITION CALCULATOR
Estimate the total tuition and fee costs over the duration of a typical program.

ALTERNATIVE TUITION PLANS

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<td>Tuition payment plan</td>
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<td>Other alternative tuition plan</td>
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RVCC Veterans Educational Benefits

NAME: ___________________________________________       RVCC ID: ____________________________

SSN: ___________________________       PHONE #: ____________________________

EMAIL: _____________________

ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________

SSN of Veteran if you are dependent of Veteran:______________________________________________

CURRENT RVCC MAJOR/DEGREE: ____________________________________________________

Have you ever applied for VA Educational Benefits?       YES ____   NO____
A) If NO: –Submit form 22-1990 by mail or complete on-line at www.gibill.va.gov
B) If YES: Have you used VA Educational Benefits at another college/school?       YES ____ NO____
You must submit form 22-1995 to RVCC VA office

PLEASE CHECK TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL BENEFIT YOU ARE REQUESTING

_____  Chapter 33 Post 911 GI Bill
_____  Chapter 1606 Reservist GI Bill
_____  Chapter 35 Survivors’ & Dependent Program

_____  Chapter 30 GI Bill
_____  National Guard Waiver
_____  Chapter 31 VR&E

➢ I understand my course load (online courses, ½ time, ¾ time etc.) may affect the benefits I am eligible to receive
➢ If I drop a course and my tuition and fees have been paid to RVCC, I understand that I may be required to repay this money to the Department of Veteran Affairs.
➢ I understand that if I do not attend a course or stop attending and fail the course due to attendance, the college will verify last date of attendance for that course, and report this to the VA. The certification will be adjusted with the LDA and the VA may request that BAH or course tuition/fees be paid back to the VA by the student.
➢ I understand that it is my responsibility to notify the RVCC Veterans Certifying Official of any changes in my educational plan. This includes change of major, change in credits attempted as well as the decision not to enroll for a specific term.
➢ I understand that I am required to provide the RVCC Veterans Certifying Official with a copy of the Certificate of Eligibility or Notice of Benefits Eligibility I receive from the VA after my application for this benefit has been processed. My courses will not be certified until this is received.
➢ I understand that I must submit all official copies of academic transcripts from previously attended College/University

My signature below indicates that I understand the above guidelines and know that I must complete a new Veterans Certification Form each semester in order to receive my GIBILL benefits.

___________________________________   _______________________________
Signature                      Date
RVCC Veteran Services: Student Agreement/Acknowledgement

A. Any student using VA Benefits who has prior college experience and/or Military Transcripts must submit his/her official transcripts within 60 days of submitting his/her first Certification Request for VA Education Benefits. The transcripts must be received and reviewed by the end of the second semester attending RVCC.

B. The student understands that Veterans Education Benefits will only cover classes that fall within the declared Program of Study or Major. In the event a class is taken outside of the curriculum, the student is responsible for the tuition and fees associated with that class. If it is found that a class was not required after the student has completed the course, the VA Certification will be adjusted and the student will be responsible for any overpayment placed by Veteran Affairs.

C. The student is responsible for informing the RVCC Veteran Services Office of any changes to his/her enrollment or Program of Study. Enrollment changes will be submitted to the VA and the student will be responsible for any debts or overpayments created by the enrollment change. Debts will be calculated by the VA and collected by RVCC finance department, a hold may be placed on your account until the debt is collected.

D. In the event a student stops attending, this must be reported to the VA with the student’s last date of attendance reported by the Instructor. The reporting of attendance may result in the student incurring a debt with the VA.

E. Any student using Chapter 33 Post 9-11 VA Benefits must be aware that if receiving any funding to offset Tuition and Fees (ie: TAG, Employer Tuition Assistance, MYCAA, and certain Scholarships) these funds will be deducted from the Tuition and Fees submitted to the VA. Thus, the VA will only pay Tuition and Fees less the supplemental funding. Please note that Federal Financial Aid (Pell Grants) does not affect what is submitted to the VA.

F. Students using Chapter 30, Chapter 1606, or Chapter 35 must have a method of payment in place to cover Tuition and Fees before the enrollment certification can be submitted to the VA. This is due to the VA paying the student a monthly stipend and not submitting payment directly to RVCC.

G. Any student using Chapter 33 Post 9-11 Benefits who are not 100% eligible, are to be aware that payment for the remaining percentage or balance must be paid before being able to enroll in a future semester.

I, ________________________________ (print) have read and understand the above statements concerning VA Education Benefits and the Raritan Valley Community College Requirements. In the event of any questions or concerns, I will promptly contact the RVCC Veteran Services Office.

________________________________________________________________________
Student Signature Date G# RVCC ID

*Copy provided to student ________________ (Initials of RVC representative)
INSTRUCTIONS FOR STARTING YOUR CLAIM FOR VA EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

1. Visit [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov) to determine which educational benefit will be best for you. You may have more than one option.

2. Apply for VA Educational Benefits by completing an application on line at [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov). Select the first day of the term as your beginning date. Submit copy of application with the appropriate documentation listed below to the VA Certifying Official.

3. Read, sign and submit a “Statement of Understanding” regarding Standards of Progress for using Veterans benefits.

4. **ALL STUDENTS MUST** request transcript(s) and evaluation of ALL prior college and military training, i.e: SMART, AARTS, CCAF, USCG. Submit your transcripts immediately to avoid possible over payment.

5. Apply for Admission to RVCC, pay the application fee, complete placement tests and attend the college registration Program (mandatory for first time, full time students)

6. **EACH SEMESTER** Submit a copy of your class schedule and Certification Form to the Certifying Official as soon as you register to use your educational benefits. If you do not, we will not certify you for benefits for that term.

If you qualify for VA benefits you will begin receiving benefits after school begins. Eligibility is determined by the VA not RVCC. It is your responsibility to determine which benefit and beginning date is best for you.

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<th>Application and Documents to be submitted to RVCC</th>
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<td>AD Service after 6-1-85 Pay deducted $100 for 12 mos.</td>
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<td>Complete and provide copy of online application VA Form 22-1990, Member 4 of DD-214 and a copy of kicker contract (if applicable). <strong>Must be used</strong> within 10 years from date of discharge.</td>
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<td><strong>CHAPTER 31</strong></td>
<td>Eligibility determined by VR&amp;E</td>
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<td>Application and counseling completed at VA Regional Rehab Office – Phone 801-326-2424 Payment vouchers issued to college when approved. <strong>Provide Copy 4 of DD Form 214</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Chapter 33-Veteran</strong></td>
<td>AD Service after 09-10-01 Served 90 days or more <strong>SELECTION IS IRREVOCABLE</strong></td>
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<td>Check VA web page to determine <em>if and when</em> this is your best choice. Complete and provide copy of online application VA Form 22-1990, Member 4 of DD-214 and a copy of kicker contract (if applicable).</td>
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<td><strong>Chapter 33- Transfer Eligibility Benefits</strong></td>
<td>See web site for Qualifications <a href="http://www.gibill.va.gov">www.gibill.va.gov</a></td>
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<td>Military member must complete the Transfer of Entitlement Benefit (TEB) application first. Upon approval, family members may apply to use benefits by completing VA Form 22-1990e. Provide copy of application VA Form 22-1990e and Certificate of Transfer Ed Benefit (TEB). <strong>Must be used</strong> within 15 years from date of entitlement.</td>
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<td><strong>Chapter 33-Fry Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>Children of veteran serving after 9/11 whose death was service related.</td>
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<td>Complete application VA Form 22-5490 and select FRY Scholarship option. Provide a copy of application to the Veterans Center. <strong>Must be used</strong> within 15 years beginning on his/her 18th birthday and may use the benefit until your 33rd birthday</td>
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<td><strong>Chapter 1606</strong></td>
<td>6-yr Enlistment on 6-1-85 or later in Reserve or Guard Unit</td>
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<td>Complete application VA Form 22-1990 and provide Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE- DD Form 2384) obtained from your unit, DD 214 kicker contract (if applicable). <strong>Must be used</strong> within 14 years of enlistment date.</td>
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<td><strong>Chapter 35</strong></td>
<td>Spouse or child of veteran whose death or 100% service connected disability is Service related.</td>
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<td>Complete application VA Form 22-5490, provide copy of notice of disability rating (from VA), copy of marriage certificate for spouse or birth certificate for child. We will send copies to the VA. <strong>You must have the Veteran’s VA File Number (C#). Call the VA to get the number. Must be used:</strong> Child- between the ages of 18 and 26 / Spouse- 10 years from the date VA determines your eligibility</td>
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<td><strong>If out of school one year, changing schools or changing your major</strong></td>
<td>Complete VA Form 22-1995 if Chapters 30, 33, 1606 /Complete VA Form 22-5495 if Chapter 35</td>
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Questions contact VA: 888-442-4551  Direct Deposit@ 877-838-2778

**CHAPTER 30, 1606: YOU MUST VERIFY ATTENDANCE WITH THE VA ON THE LAST DAY OF EACH MONTH**

Attendance verification: 877-823-2378 or on the WAVE website at [www.gibill.va.gov/wave](http://www.gibill.va.gov/wave)
Ordering Transcripts (JST)

**Army and National Guard:**
E-Mail: usarmy.knox.hrc.mbx.tagd-jst@mail.mil
Toll Free: 1.888.276.9472
LOG IN AT HTTPS://JST.DODED.MIL to order your transcript
Only if your institute is not listed should you use the following form: Official Transcript Request Form (Army)

**Coast Guard**
USCG Institute
E-Mail: CGI-PF-ed_transcripts@uscg.mil
Fax: 405.954.7249
LOG IN AT HTTPS://JST.DODED.MIL to order your transcript
In cases where an official transcript should go to a future employer, to a program manager, or to a special college program, please complete the special mailing form. Official Transcript Special Mailing Request Form

**Marine Corps**
JST Technology Operations Center
E-Mail: jst@doded.mil
Fax: Comm: 850.473.6013 DSN: 753.6013
LOG IN AT HTTPS://JST.DODED.MIL to order your transcript
If you have problems ordering online, use the form located at: Official Transcript Request Form (Special Mail)

**Navy**
JST Technology Operations Center
E-Mail: jst@doded.mil
Fax: Comm: 850.473.6013 DSN: 753.6013
LOG IN AT HTTPS://JST.DODED.MIL to order your transcript
If you have problems ordering online, use the form located at: Official Transcript Request Form (Navy)

**Air Force CCAF**
Order Online: http://www.credentials-inc.com/cgi-bin/dvcgitp.pgm?ALUMTRO012308
Order Form by mail: http://www.au.af.mil/au/barnes/ccaf/CCAF%20Transcript%20Request.pdf
Order by phone: 1-800-646-1858