# **Education Benefits & Resources**

#### GI Bill<sup>™</sup> and Other Federal Education Benefits

VETERAN

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#### You or a qualified family member may be eligible for Federal VA or VA related education benefits!

- **Explore your options.** There are several options for education and training support and assistance. Go to the website VA.gov, and click on Education to learn about different programs and how to apply.
- Apply for approval for education benefits online: VA.gov/education
- To prepare, you will need a social security number (or the social security number of the service member), your military history, and basic information about the school or training facility you wish to attend. Your education history and bank account direct deposit information can also be helpful or added later.
- A Certificate of Eligibility letter indicating specific VA Educational program approval. Keep this to show your School Certifying Official when you enroll in classes.

#### Active Duty Army Soldiers, Reservists, or National Guard

Tuition assistance may be available. To learn more and to apply, visit the Army Ignited student soldiers' portal at www.armyignited.army.mil

### Getting Started at Jefferson College

- 1. Complete the admissions application to Jefferson College. Visit www.jeffco.edu or email admissions@jeffco.edu.
- 2. Request that your high school forward a final high school transcript to the Jefferson College Office of Admissions.
- 3. Complete placement testing (if applicable).
- 4. Meet with an advising specialist to get registered for classes. Bring your Certificate of Eligibility with you to the appointment.
- 5. Complete the Certification Request on your MyJeffco student portal Veterans' tab.
- 6. Reach out to the Jefferson College School Certifying Officials:

Torri Thomas: tthoma15@jeffco.edu 636-481-3272

Kaysie Watson: kwatson5@jeffco.edu 636-481-3237

Stacey Wilson: swilson@jeffco.edu 636-481-3207

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## **Helpful Resources**

www.VA.gov Learn about education, healthcare, disability and service records resources.

**GI Bill™ Hotline:** 888-442-4551 (888-GIBILL-1)

#### VA Benefits Hotline: 800-827-1000

Veterans Crisis Hotline is available to all veterans, service members, National Guard and Reservists, and all military family and friends: 800-273-2855, Press 1, or text 838255

#### **Additional Resources**

Get connected to local resources. arnold@dhewd.mo.gov 636-865-6060

