



MILITARY BENEFITS

Career training at no cost to you!

At Blackstone Career Institute (BCI), we are honored to provide quality online education programs to military members, veterans, and their families. We proudly offer portable, accredited, career training programs that align with the unique needs of our military servicemen and women. By training for an in-demand career you will be prepared to transition into a job domestically and abroad.

BCI courses are ideal for military men, women and their spouses. Our core philosophy Education...Anytime, Anywhere supports a balance of work, life, and education. Our effective, technology-driven programs and services focus on course quality and student satisfaction. And our daily rolling admission gives you the flexibility and freedom to get started, prepare for your new career, and graduate debt-free. Blackstone is proud to be included in the list of regionally accredited online schools.

BLACKSTONE IS HERE FOR YOU

**SPOUSEWORKS
SCHOLARSHIP
(FORMERLY MYCAA)**

**ARMY CREDENTIALING
ASSISTANCE (CA)**

GI BILL®



SpouseWorks Scholarship

(Formerly MyCAA)

Getting Started Guide

Blackstone offers accredited, online career training programs that provide job-ready skills and prepare you for professional certification in portable, high-demand career fields through the SpouseWorks Scholarship (formerly MyCAA), funded by the Department of War(DOW).

*Benefits NOT eligible for Medical Billing & Coding, Medical Transcription, Home Health Aide, Veterinary Assistant, Legal Nurse Consultant or Child Care Provider Programs.

Up to \$4,000 of financial assistance** for eligible military spouses to train for a portable career that moves with you.

Getting Started with SpouseWorks

1. Verify SpouseWorks Scholarship Eligibility

Visit the [SpouseWorks website](#) to check your eligibility and create or login to your myAuth account. Then you will schedule a coaching session with a career coach.

2. Enroll and Upload Your Education Plan

After meeting with the career coach, you will enroll in your chosen approved program and select MyCAA as the payment option. After we receive your enrollment, your education and training plan (ETP) document will be emailed to you within a business day of enrollment.

3. Create Your Career and Training Plan

Once you receive the ETP, you will login to create your Career and Training Plan. When applying, the school name, course code, titles of courses, start/end dates, and course costs must be correct or else you may be rejected. Please refer to the ETP for details.

4. Submit for Approval

Once your SpouseWorks Scholarship ETP is completed, allow up to 14 business days for the SpouseWorks staff to review your submission. If your application is approved, choose "Request Financial Assistance" in your account. Select the school, plan, term dates and course(s).

5. Start Your Studies

Your enrollment will be processed after Blackstone receives notice from SpouseWorks Scholarship (formally MyCAA) program that your financial assistance is approved and will apply your scholarship so you can begin your studies.

**Maximum tuition benefit of \$4,000, with an annual fiscal year cap of \$2,000.



Army Credentialing Assistance (CA)

Getting Started Guide

The Department of Defense began the Army Credentialing Assistance Program in 2019 as part of their effort to help Service members improve their lives. Credentialing Soldiers helps with retention, enhancing career progression, and a smoother transition into civilian life. The program creates opportunities for Service members to earn professional credits.

*Benefits NOT eligible for Medical Transcription, Dental Office Assistant, Home Health Aide, Veterinary Assistant, Legal Nurse Consultant or Child Care Provider Programs.

As of January 2020, the Army Credentialing Assistance Program is available at bases nationwide. Servicemembers need to meet the following criteria:

- Soldiers must meet basic Federal TA eligibility requirements
- Soldiers cannot be flagged under provisions of AR 600-8-2
- Soldiers cannot be a contracted ROTC scholarship cadet (receiving tuition and fees or room and board) or Green to Gold ROTC program cadet
- Soldiers must have enough time remaining in service to complete the credential before separating from the Army

Getting Started with Army Credentialing Assistance (CA)

1. Verify Credentialing Assistance(CA) Program Eligibility

Visit the [ArmyCOOL website](#) to check your eligibility and contact the credentialing agency (CA) to validate that you meet their eligibility criteria.

2. Enroll and Start Your Studies

Once the CA Central Billing Office (CBO) approves the CA request. Students should enroll online. When enrolling, select ArmyCOOL as the payment option. After we receive the enrollment, students can start their studies.

3. Complete a CA Request

Once the student has selected the credential, they will complete a CA request in ArmyIgnitED. Please note that there is a \$2,000 limit per fiscal year.

4. Report Your Results

Once completed, Blackstone will provide students with their transcript and certificate so that it can be uploaded to their ArmyIgnitED account.



GI Bill®

Getting Started Guide

Blackstone recognizes the dedication of veterans, active-duty service members, and military families. We proudly accept Post-9/11 GI Bill® and Montgomery GI Bill® benefits, along with other spouses eligible under the Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (Chapter 35). Our flexible, self-paced, online programs make it easy to learn on your schedule.

Blackstone participates with the Post 9/11 (Chapter 33) and Montgomery (Chapter 30) GI Bill®'s. In addition, spouses eligible under the Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (Chapter 35) may use their benefits with Blackstone. **See next page for all accepted GI Bill® details.**

Get started and use the benefits you've earned with Blackstone in 3 simple steps:

1. Verify GI Bill® Eligibility

Access the GI Bill® website or call 1-888-442-4551 to verify your eligibility and get assistance with the application process.

2. Apply for GI Bill® Benefits

Apply for GI Bill® benefits online. For assistance, please contact the VA at 1-888-442-4551.

3. Contact Blackstone

Contact a Blackstone Military Enrollment Advisor at 1-800-826-9228 with any questions or enroll online. Please select GI Bill® benefits as your payment option. In order to enroll with Blackstone, you will be contacted to submit a copy of your GI Bill® certificate of eligibility.

*Benefits NOT eligible for Home Health Aide or Legal Nurse Consultant Program

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at <https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill>



Post-9/11 GI Bill® Program (Chapter 33)

The Post-9/11 GI Bill® offers educational financial support for veterans with at least 90 days of aggregate service on or after September 11, 2001, or that have been discharged with a service-connected disability after 30 days. If you have received an honorable discharge, you are eligible.

Veteran, and Spouses and dependent children

- 100% eligible – veteran served at least 36 months of active duty service after Sept. 10, 2001
- Tuition paid to school – up to full tuition for Blackstone career courses (correspondence)
- Not eligible for housing allowance from VA GI Bill®

Active Duty and Spouse of Active Duty Member

- 100% eligible – member has served at least 36 months of active duty service after Sept. 10, 2001
- Tuition paid to school- up to full tuition for Blackstone career courses (correspondence)
- Not eligible for housing allowance from VA GI Bill®

Veteran, and military spouses

- Less than 100% eligible – veteran served less than 36 months of active duty service after Sept. 10, 2001
- Tuition paid to school – up to full tuition for Blackstone career courses (correspondence)

[Click here for more details.](#)

Montgomery GI Bill® Active Duty (MGIB-AD) Program (Chapter 30)

The Montgomery G.I. Bill® program provides up to 36 months of education benefits for veterans. Generally, benefits are payable for 10 years following your release for active duty. This program is also commonly known as Chapter 30.

- Active Duty and Veterans who served on active duty for at least two years
- 55% of tuition fees paid directly to student for Blackstone career courses (correspondence)

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Montgomery GI Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR) Program (Chapter 1606)

The Montgomery G.I. Bill® Selected Reserve program provides up to 36 months of education benefits for veterans. Generally, your eligibility for MGIB-SR benefits ends on the day you leave the selected reserve. This program is also commonly known as Chapter 1606.

- Selected Reserve, including the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Coast Guard Reserve, and the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard
- 55% of tuition fees paid directly to student for Blackstone career courses (correspondence)

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Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA) Program (Chapter 35)

The Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA) program provides up to 36 months of education benefits for the child or spouse of a veteran. This program is also commonly known as Chapter 35.

- Spouses of Veterans who are permanently and totally disabled due to a service-related condition, or of Veterans who died while on active duty or as a result of a service-related condition
- Tuition paid directly to the student for BCI career courses (correspondence – spouses only)

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Vocational Rehabilitation Education Benefits (VR&E) Program (Chapter 31)

The Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&E) program supply service members or Veterans that have a disability that was caused—or made worse—by their active-duty service and that limits their ability to work or prevents them from working, they may be able to get employment support or services to help them live as independently as possible. This program is also commonly known as Chapter 31.

- Veterans with a disability rating
- Counseling, training, education and job placement assistance
- Tuition paid to Blackstone

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