

MQFP® Study Guide 1.6: Active-Duty Education Benefits

Learning Objectives:

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- a. Identify the primary and secondary benefits of the Post 9/11 GI Bill

Exercise 1: GI Bill Benefits

List the primary and secondary benefits offered by the Post 9/11 GI Bill for eligible active-duty service members.

- b. Explain how the housing allowance portion of the Post 9/11 GI Bill works

Exercise 2: Housing Allowance Calculation

Explain the process of calculating the housing allowance portion of the Post 9/11 GI Bill and factors that may affect the amount received.

- c. Discuss the book allowance and demonstrate methods to maximize the book allowance benefit

Exercise 3: Book Allowance Benefits

Describe the book allowance benefit provided by the Post 9/11 GI Bill and suggest methods for maximizing this benefit.

- d. Contrast Tuition Assistance, the Montgomery GI Bill, and the Post 9/11 GI Bill

Exercise 4: Education Benefits Comparison

Create a table comparing Tuition Assistance, the Montgomery GI Bill, and the Post 9/11 GI Bill, including eligibility criteria, benefits, and limitations.

Quiz: (Multiple Choice)

1. What are the primary benefits of the Post 9/11 GI Bill?
- a) Tuition assistance and housing allowance
 - b) Housing allowance and book allowance
 - c) Tuition assistance and book allowance
 - d) Tuition assistance and certification reimbursement

2. How is the housing allowance portion of the Post 9/11 GI Bill calculated?
- a) It is a flat rate based on the service member's rank and location.
 - b) It is determined by the total amount of tuition paid by the service member.
 - c) It is based on the cost of living in the service member's school location and the number of credit hours enrolled.
 - d) It is equal to the total amount of fees paid by the service member.
3. True or False: The book allowance provided by the Post 9/11 GI Bill is a one-time payment at the beginning of each academic year.
- a) True
 - b) False
4. The Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) requires service members to:
- a) Pay monthly premiums for the insurance-like benefit.
 - b) Serve on active duty for at least two years before becoming eligible.
 - c) Pay out-of-pocket for tuition and fees, with reimbursement provided afterward.
 - d) Complete a minimum of four years of active duty service to qualify.
5. What is the key difference between Tuition Assistance and the Post 9/11 GI Bill?
- a) Tuition Assistance is available only to officers, while the Post 9/11 GI Bill is available to enlisted personnel.
 - b) Tuition Assistance covers the full cost of tuition, while the Post 9/11 GI Bill requires service members to pay a portion of the tuition.
 - c) Tuition Assistance is available for both undergraduate and graduate studies, while the Post 9/11 GI Bill is only for undergraduate programs.
 - d) Tuition Assistance covers tuition costs only, while the Post 9/11 GI Bill provides additional benefits like housing allowance and book stipend.

References:

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*Answer Key can be found at: <https://mqfp.org/study-guides/>