



OHSU Policy Manual

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Policy Title: COVERED INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING VA EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

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1. **Generally**

This policy ensures that all Covered Individuals receiving educational assistance under chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, or chapter 33, Post 9/11 GI Bill are not penalized in the event of a delayed disbursement of funding by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Per title 38 USC 3679(e), OHSU shall permit any Covered Individual to attend or participate in educational activities on and after the date on which the Covered Individual submits to OHSU the Certificate of Eligibility for Entitlement to Educational Assistance. OHSU shall not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to courses, libraries, or other institutional facilities. Covered Individuals shall not be required to borrow additional funds to meet their financial obligation to OHSU due to the delayed disbursement funding from VA under chapter 31 or 33.

2. **Definitions**

For the purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:

- A. **Covered Individual.** Any individual who is entitled to educational assistance under chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, or chapter 33, Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits.

4. **Responsibilities**

Covered Individuals must submit to the Office of the Registrar a Certificate of Eligibility or Statement of Benefits for educational assistance prior to the first day of each academic term.

5. **Procedures**

The Office of the Provost and Central Financial Services are responsible for developing and maintaining procedures pursuant to this policy.

Related Regulations: Title 38 USC 3679(e), Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018

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