



# Reserve Educational Assistance Program Chapter 1607 (REAP)

## 1. What is it?

- Chapter 1607 is an educational program for active members of the Selected Reserve and Individual Ready Reserve who served on active duty in support of a contingency operation or a national emergency declared by the President or Congress.  
(Reference: Title 10 USC Chapter 1607; DoDI 1322.30)

## 2. How Do I Qualify?

- Serve at least 90 consecutive days:
  - on Active Duty in support of a contingency operation on or after 11 Sep 2001; or
  - under Title 32 USC, Section 502(f) for Operation Noble Eagle, between 11 Sep 2001 and 31 May 2002; or
- Serve 30 consecutive days and separate due to a service related injury incurred while serving in a qualifying period of service
- Once eligible, you can use anytime while still in a Reserve Component

## 3. What Do I Get?

- A monthly payment paid directly to the Soldier based on the amount of consecutive active duty time served

Consecutive Service on or after 11 September 2001	Payment Tier
At least 24 consecutive or 36 cumulative months	80%
At least 12 months but less than 24 months	60%
At least 90 days but less than 12 months	40%

- Maximum monthly payment based on full-time enrollment (Effective October 1, 2015):
  - 80% tier = \$1,431.20
  - 60% tier = \$1,073.40
  - 40% tier = \$715.60
- Payments are limited by several factors, including:
  - Payment Tier
  - Rate of pursuit (if you are going to school full time, half time, etc.)
  - Active Duty or Drilling Status

- The Buy Up program:
  - You may contribute up to \$600 while actively serving. The contribution will increase your monthly benefit up to \$150 per month
  
- This benefit is available for use up to ten years after your ETS date if:
  - You complete an eight-year service obligation in drilling status and discharge from the Selected Reserve directly into a civilian status,
  - You receive a General Discharge or higher; or
  - You receive a medical discharge (not due to misconduct)
  
- **Important!**
  - Ch1607 cannot be combined with Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA) for the same course but may be combined with State Tuition Assistance based on State Law

#### 4. How Do I Apply?

- ✓ Go to <http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/> and submit the Veterans Online Application
- ✓ Notify the VA Certifying Official at your school so they can certify your enrollment
- ✓ Continue to verify your enrollment each month online at:  
<https://www.gibill.va.gov/wave>
- ✓ To enroll in the optional Buy-Up program contact the GI Bill Support Team at [arng.esc.ch1607@mail.mil](mailto:arng.esc.ch1607@mail.mil)

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