

# Veteran Benefits FAQs



**Q:** Can I use VA Benefits and receive financial aid at the same time?

**A:** The short answer is yes, in most cases! Any federal funds you are eligible for (which is derived from your FAFSA) are yours.

- Pell Grants
- FSEOG
- Merit based scholarships that are not restricted
- Loans

However, if you are eligible for the Post 9/11-Forever GI Bill and/or the Hazlewood Exemption, some state and scholarship funds may be impacted:

- TPEG – Texas Public Educational Grant
- Mav Grant
- Non-Merit scholarships limited to tuition and fees
- Tuition Assistance

An easy way to think about this is that if 100% of your tuition and fees are already covered by a VA benefit on your student account, financial aid funds may be restricted.

**Q:** What happens when I exhaust my federal VA benefits?

**A:** Find out if you are eligible for the Hazlewood Exemption. Apply for financial aid. You have options!

**Q:** What is the order of payment on my student account?

**A:** Financial Aid posts before federal VA funds. Tuition and fees are reported to the VA after the census date of any term. Refunds are generated when a credit balance exists.



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