

The College of New Jersey SHOPPING SHEET INFORMATION VETERANS/DEPENDENTS

Section 1018 of Public Law 116-315, <u>Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020</u>, requires educational institutions to make certain disclosures to students using federal military and/or VA education benefits. To ensure compliance with the law, we have developed the Shopping Sheet Information for Student Veterans/Veteran's Dependents.

Estimated cost of courses including tuition, fees, books, supplies, other additional costs.

The cost of tuition and fees are different if a student is a NJ resident or an out of state student. For information on the estimated cost, please visit <u>College Navigator - National Center for Education Statistics</u>. Please note that your final cost depends on you receiving VA benefits to cover for tuition and fees, books/supplies, and housing allowance; any aid to cover for the cost; taking extra courses such as prerequisites; retaking a failed course; changing your program of study which requires more or less credits, change in cost of living; a change in tuition/fees as approved by State Legislature, etc. Students should also visit TCNJ's web site for tuition/fees and refund policies.

Estimated cost of living expenses.

Students can look up the estimated cost of living expenses by viewing the <u>Cost of Attendance</u> on our Financial Aid (FA) web site at https://www.ohlone.edu/finaid. Instructions:

Amount of cost covered by VA benefits.

Only Chapter 33 recipients may be entitled to a percentage of the following VA Educational Benefits based on your length of Service:

<u>Payment Rates for 2022 Academic Year (August 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023)</u> visit the VA website, click <u>here</u>. This website provides information regarding tuition and fee payments, monthly housing allowance, and books/supplies stipend.

Students can search by college to determine estimated GI Bill@ benefits, housing allowance and book stipend using GI Bill@ Comparison Tool: https://www.va.gov/education/gi-bill-comparison-tool/

Other VA benefit recipients may receive assistance allowances based on training time. Student can view the pay rate on the VA website, click here.

Types of Federal financial aid offered by the institution, that the student may be qualified to receive.

Students using veteran education benefits who are interested in applying for financial aid online should complete the <u>Free Application for Federal Student Aid</u> to be considered for federal and state grants and loans. TCNJ's School Code is 002642.

All financial aid applicants who have a completed file will receive an award notification email sent to their TCNJ email with instructions how to view the financial aid award online. All financial aid recipients will have access to view the College Financing Plan in the student portal as explained in the award email. Contact the Financial Aid Office via email at osfa@tcnj.edu or call 609-771-2211 for further assistance.

Estimated amount of student loan debt upon completion of a degree or certificate.

Students should borrow responsibly. This means only borrowing what you need. Students may borrow federal and private loans (if eligible). The loan amount depends on grade level in school, dependency status, other aid received and TCNJ's cost of attendance. Please visit TCNJ's Financial Aid web site for additional Student Loan information https://financialaid.tcnj.edu/loan-processing/.

Use My Federal Student Aid account or the National Student Loan Date System https://nslds.ed.gov/npas/index.htm to find out how much you owe in federal loans.

Graduation Rates for The College of New Jersey.

Students can access the graduation rates for Ohlone College using <u>College Navigator-National Center for</u> Education Statistics: https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/

Transfer credits including military credits.

Students receiving VA education benefits are required to submit their college transcripts/military credits no later than the end of their first semester. All students need to contact the Office of Records and Registration and submit the Course Authorization Form on their website, click <a href="https://example.com/here-equation-equati

Program requirements or examinations that are required to obtain a license, certification or approval for which the course of education prepares the individual.

Students can visit contact the department based on your major/interests, <u>undergraduate degrees</u> or graduate degrees.

Others

Further information Student Affairs can be found by clicking <u>here.</u> Information can be found regarding <u>athletics</u>, <u>Dean of Students</u>, health and wellness and student services.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Veterans Education Benefits Request Form

Certification for VA Education Benefits each semester is not automatic. Students who wish to receive the benefit must complete the online <u>TCNJ Veteran's Education Benefit Request Form</u> and must submit the enrollment certification request every semester after signing up for your classes in order to continue receiving benefits and to prevent delays in payment of benefits. If Enrollment Certification Request form is not submitted at our office, we will assume that the students do not wish to receive the benefit/no longer attending, and the benefits will discontinue into the next semester.

VA Enrollment Verification

Post -9/11 GI Bill Students who receive Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) and/or kicker payment are required to verify their enrollment to continue receiving their payments. For additional information and how to complete the enrollment verification, click <a href="https://example.com/here-enrollment-new-months-enrollment-new-month

VA Chapter 30 and Chapter 1606 School Attendance

To keep receiving education and training benefits from the VA you must verify your attendance with the VA, click here.

Absence due to Military Service

A student who is an active duty or reservist of the United States military, and who receive orders compelling a withdrawal from courses, should review the <u>Military Withdrawal Policy</u> listed on the Office of Records and Registration Website. For assistance contact the Office of Records and Registration via phone 609-771-2141, email <u>recreg@tcnj.edu</u> or their <u>online support form</u>.

Students who are receiving the VA benefit along with financial aid should be aware that withdrawing from a course(s) will have an impact on their benefit/financial aid status. Students are strongly encouraged to talk to the Financial Aid Department and the School Certifying Official.

VA benefits will stop as of the drop date reported for all classes. Students will be responsible to repaying VA the funds received for such course(s), (BAH/Monthly assistance allowance), or submitting a Mitigating Circumstance to the VA.

Contact information

Financial Aid Office (Green Hall 101)

Questions regarding federal/state aid, cost of attendance, loan counseling, veteran's education benefits.

Email: <u>osfa@tcnj.edu</u>Phone: 609-771-2211

Website: https://financialaid.tcnj.edu/

Records and Registration (Green Hall 112)

Questions regarding course registration, withdrawals/leave of absence, transfer credit, transcripts, degree audits, etc.

Email: <u>recreg@tcnj.edu</u>Phone: 609-771-2141

Website: https://recreg.tcnj.edu/

Student Accounts (Green Hall 119)

Questions regarding billing, bill calendar, payment, installment payment plan, bill payment options, 1098-T, ID/Card Services and parking services

Email: <u>stuaccts@tcnj.edu</u>Phone: 609-771-2172

- Website: https://studentaccounts.tcnj.edu/

U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs

- Phone: 1-800-442-4551 (1-888-GIBILL)

- Website: https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/contact_us.asp