

# Using VA Benefits at RMSP

*RMSP's Professional Intensive program is approved for Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits. We have had many students use VA benefits to pay for their education at RMSP.*

*Check out the FAQs to learn more!*

## **To attend Professional Intensive using your VA benefits, follow these steps:**

1. Apply for Professional Intensive at: [rmosp.com/professional](https://rmosp.com/professional)
2. Await application approval before proceeding to next step
3. Apply for Education Benefits from the VA and obtain your Certificate/Letter of Eligibility. You can learn more about this process here: <https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/>
4. Send your Certificate of Eligibility to Bob McGowan (bobm@rmosp.com) at RMSP
5. RMSP will ensure that you are eligible for education benefits and will email you once that's confirmed
6. At this point, you can officially register online for Professional Intensive by paying the \$500 deposit
7. If you decide to withdraw from PI before starting, this \$500 is non-refundable after a 72-hour grace period

## Frequently Asked Questions:

### **ARE MY BENEFITS ELIGIBLE FOR YOUR PROGRAMS?**

RMSP's Professional Intensive program is approved for VA Education benefits as a Non-College Degree granting institution. If you are unsure of the status of your benefits, check: <https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/>

### **WHAT DO THEY COVER IN TERMS OF EXPENSES?**

The VA will cover (through the Post-9/11 GI Bill) \$23,671.94 of your tuition costs (Updated February 2019). You may also be eligible for additional housing and equipment benefits. Check here for more information: [https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits\\_resources/rate\\_tables.asp](https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits_resources/rate_tables.asp)

### **WHERE DO I GO TO FIND OUT ABOUT MY BENEFITS?**

<https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/>

### **WHAT'S THE FIRST STEP IN TERMS OF OBTAINING MY BENEFITS AND APPLYING THEM TO YOUR PROGRAM?**

If you haven't already, apply for VA Education Benefits here: <https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/>

If you have already applied for VA Education Benefits, you can follow the steps above to get the process started.

### **WILL MY BENEFITS APPLY TOWARD EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES NECESSARY FOR YOUR PROGRAM?**

Maybe, but that is at the discretion of the VA, not RMSP. With that said, the majority of our VA students do receive an equipment stipend and a monthly housing allowance. You can learn more about that by reaching out to the VA directly.

### **DOES THE VA PAY THE SCHOOL DIRECTLY OR DO THEY PAY ME FIRST AND I PAY THE SCHOOL?**

The VA pays RMSP directly for the Professional Intensive tuition. Housing and equipment stipends are delivered directly to the student from the VA.

### **I WANT TO TRANSFER MY BENEFITS TO MY DEPENDENT (SPOUSE, CHILD) FOR YOUR PROGRAM. HOW DO I DO THAT?**

That is done through the VA. The transfer needs to be completed before the start of the program. Once transferred, we will need a Certificate/Letter of Eligibility with the incoming student's name on it from the VA.

### **WHO DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?**

That depends. If it's a question about RMSP, you can reach out to Bob McGowan here at the school. If it's a VA-related question, you can try asking Bob, but we might refer you to the VA if the question is regarding something we cannot answer. The Department of Veterans Affairs can be reached at 1(888) 442-4551.