Federal Benefits (continued)

Chapter 35 DEAP (Survivors’ and Dependents’ Education Assistance Program)

You must be the son, daughter, or spouse of:
A veteran who died or is permanently and 100% disabled by the VA as the result of a service-connected disability.

If you are a son or daughter and wish to receive benefits for attending school or job training, you must be between the ages of 18 and 26.

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You may be eligible if you are a member of the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, the Army National Guard, or the Air National Guard.

Eligibility is determined by the Selected Reserve units. To qualify you must meet the following requirements:

- Have six-year obligation to serve in a Selected Reserve unit signed on or after July 1, 1985
- Complete your initial active duty for training (IADT)
- Remain in good standing while serving in an active Selected Reserve unit

Chapter 1607 REAP (Reserve Educational Assistance Program)

It is a Department of Defense education benefit program designed to provide educational assistance to members of the Reserve components called or ordered to active duty in response to a war or national emergency (contingency operation) as declared by the President or Congress. This program makes certain reservists who were activated for at least 90 days after September 11, 2001 either eligible for education benefits or eligible for increased benefits.

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You may receive assistance from only one VA educational benefit program at a time.

Chapter 33 Post 9/11 GI Bill

If you served 90 aggregate days or more on active duty after September 10, 2001 you may be eligible.

Based on your length of active duty service, you may be entitled to the following:

- Cost of tuition and fees, not to exceed the most expensive in-state undergraduate rate at a public institution of higher education in the State of Texas,
- Monthly housing allowance equal to the amount of housing payable to an E-5 with dependents, based upon the zip code of the school, and
- Yearly books and supplies stipend of up to $1000 per school year (paid to the student).

You may receive up to 36 months of educational benefits under this entitlement. You are eligible for 15 years from your last period of active duty of at least 90 consecutive days; or, if you were released due to a service-connected disability, after at least 30 days of continuous service.

Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill

The Montgomery GI Bill – Active Duty benefit may be used for degree programs here at UTSA.

You may be an eligible veteran if you have an honorable discharge and meet the following requirements:

- Entered active duty for the first time on or after July 1, 1985
- Had military pay reduced for $100 for the first 12 months of service
- Served honorably for at least two years

You may be entitled to receive up to 36 months of educational benefits. Generally benefits are payable for 10 years following your release from active duty.

Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program

The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program helps veterans with service connected disabilities (SCD) prepare for, find and keep suitable jobs.

Qualifications:

- Have a service connected disability (SCD) rating of at least 20% awarded by the U.S Department of Veterans Affairs
- Need to overcome an employment limitation

Services include vocational and personal counseling, education and training, financial aid, job assistance and, if needed, medical and/or dental treatment.

You must meet with a VA vocational rehabilitation counselor to apply for Chapter 31 benefits. Contact the Frank Tejeda Outpatient Clinic at (210) 699-5022.