### Benefit Opportunities for Service Members of the United States Military

**Veterans’ Affairs Educational Programs**
- Education benefits include the Post-9/11 GI Bill®, Montgomery GI Bill® and Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP)
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**Vocational Rehabilitation**
- Must have served on or after September 16, 1940
- Service-connected disabilities must be rated at least 20% disabling

**NYS Veterans Tuition Award (VTA)**
- Payable to eligible veteran students
- Must be matriculated at an institution in NYS

**Recruitment Incentive and Retention Program (RIRP)**
- Must be an active member of the NYS Division of Military and Naval Affairs
- Must be matriculated in a degree program
- Must have successfully completed advanced individual training or commissioning and other requirements for tuition benefit eligibility

**Military Active Duty Scholarship**
- Must be currently on active duty and meet eligibility criteria for Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)
- Pays tuition only for courses required for program

**Credit for Military Training**
- Receive credit toward a degree for military training
- Must submit an official military transcript to the Admission’s Office

**Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**
- Don’t forget to apply for financial aid!
- May be eligible to receive a Bookstore Advance

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*These benefits are considered duplicative with the Post-9/11 GI Bill®.*

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.
## Veteran Services on Campus

### Academic Services

**Center for Academic Engagement (CAE)**  
CTR 230, (518) 629-7550
- veteran peer mentors  
- group and individual academic coaching  
- academic workshops  
- connects students with available resources on campus

**Armed Forces Study Room**  
Marvin Library Learning Commons
- dedicated to students who have served or are serving

**Center for Access and Assistive Technology (CAAT)**, CTR 130, (518) 629-7154
Assistance with:
- tutorial and note taker services  
- extended time for tests/quizzes  
- quiet environment for tests/quizzes  
- assistive technology

**Learning Assistance Center (LAC)**  
Marvin Library Learning Commons, (518) 629-7230
- encourages students to become independent and confident learners  
- faculty available for instruction in math, study skills, writing and other subjects

**Computer Learning Center (CLC)**  
Marvin Library Learning Commons, (518) 629-7891
- assistance with computer use  
- provides quiet environment for study, coursework and research

### Student Services

**Wellness Center, CTR 270**  
Counseling: (518) 629-7320; Health: (518) 629-7468
- counseling and psychological services  
- wellness education and resources

**Center for Careers & Transfer**  
CTR 290, (518) 629-7326
- assistance with job searching, resume writing, interview preparation, job networking, career counseling and more  
- transfer counseling

**Armed Forces Club**  
Advisors: Carrie Farley c.farley@hvcc.edu  
Jennifer Moran j.moran@hvcc.edu
- information and assistance pertaining to vocational and medical benefits  
- facilitates school relationships and camaraderie through sharing veteran experiences

### Enrollment Services

**Registrar, GUN 136, (518) 629-4545**

**Veteran’s Tuition Deferral**
- sign a tuition deferral to delay your tuition due date  
- must have submitted all VA paperwork to the Registrar’s Office

**Withdrawals Due to Military Service**
- students who have paid their own tuition are eligible for a 100% refund  
- inquire about paperwork and deadlines at the Registrar’s Office