

Obtain a Certificate Of Eligibility

To certify a student, VMS must have proof that the student is eligible for VA education benefits in the form of a Certificate of Eligibility (COE). Email your COE, along with your other core documents, in a **SINGLE** email to veterans@olemiss.edu from your Ole Miss email addresses. Core documents will **NOT** be accepted from non-Ole Miss email addresses.

Three methods of obtaining a copy of your COE:

1. Apply for benefits online via the VA website

- Visit www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/
- Proof of submission is required (i.e., submission confirmation number)
 oPlease print the page containing your confirmation number after completing the prompts on <u>va.gov</u>. The confirmation page may be used as a placeholder for your official COE
- You will have 30 days to email your official COE to VMS after submitting your confirmation number
- A paper copy of your official COE will be mailed to the address you entered into the VA Education Benefit application; however, you can download a copy of your official COE by logging into your VA profile approximately 15 days after submitting your application

2. Print your Education Enrollment Status from eBenefits

If you have an eBenefits Level II account, you can obtain a COE in the form of an "Education Enrollment Status."

- Log in to eBenefits
- On the "Welcome" page, select "Manage Your Benefits" at the bottom of the page
- Under "Manage Benefits," select "Status Tracking"
- In the "Education" block, you should see a link for the benefit you are eligible for
- Select "Enrollment Status" and save the document entitled "Education Enrollment Status"

3. Have the VA mail you another copy

- Log in to Ask VA
- Select "Submit a Question"
- In the SUBJECT box, type "GI Bill Certificate of Eligibility"
- In the QUESTION box, type, "I am requesting a duplicate copy of my GI Bill Certificate of Eligibility be mailed to me"
- In the PRODUCT dropdown, select "GI Bill"
- In the CATEGORY box, select the benefit for which you are eligible, and then select "eligibility"
- Submit your request, and your duplicate COE should be mailed to you within 30 days