VETERANS SHOPPING SHEET

Section 1018 of Public Law 116-315, Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020, 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 WV resident or an out of state student. For information on the estimated cost, please visit <u>College</u> <u>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 Eastern'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 visiting our Financial Aid (FA) web site at <u>https://easternwv.edu/financial-</u> <u>aid/</u>. Instructions: On financial aid home page, select Cost of Attendance. Students can search by college to determine estimated GI Bill® benefits, housing allowance and book stipend using GI Bill® Comparison Tool: <u>GI Bill Comparison</u> <u>Tool</u>

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

Students using veteran education benefits are encouraged to apply for financial aid online at <u>http://www.studentaid.gov</u> to be considered for federal, state, and institution grants, as well as scholarships. Eastern WV Community and Technical College's School Code is 041190. Students can request for a Professional Judgment appeal if there is a reduction in income due to COVID or circumstances beyond students' control. Student should also check the Financial Aid Award Plan on the <u>MyEastern Student Portal</u> for information regarding their financial aid package. Be sure to visit the <u>Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships page</u> for available aid offers. Please contact the Office of Financial Aid at 304-434-8000 or finaid@easternwv.edu for further assistance.

Shopping Sheet

In addition to being available to admitted veterans, service members, and families, Eastern is also providing this information to admitted students.

The Shopping Sheet can be accessed online through your MyEastern account. Please note that data will only appear if you have completed your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and you have been awarded financial aid. We hope that using this form in conjunction with your Eastern's Financial Award Plan will allow you to make the best decision for you to reach your education goals.

College Scorecards make it easier for you to search for a college that is a good fit for you. You can use the College Scorecard to find out more about a college's affordability and value so you can make more informed decisions about which college to attend. Link: <u>College Scorecard</u>

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 (if eligible), between \$5,500 to \$12,500 per year, depending on grade level in school and your dependency status. Please visit <u>Easten's</u> <u>website for loan information</u>. Use My Federal Student Aid account (www.studentaid.gov) to find out how much you own in federal loans.

Graduation Rates for Eastern West Virginia and Technical College.

Students can access the graduation rates for Eastern using College Navigator.

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 meet with an academic advisor to determine the process for verification of credits and how those credits are applied to their educational goals.

Estimated Cost of Attendance. This is not a bill.

The Office of Financial Aid establishes standard student budgets yearly as a basis for awarding financial aid funds. A budget or an estimated cost of attendance (COA) is designed to assist students with their educational expenses for the academic year. The budget represents our best estimate of what an average student may spend for one academic year.

The estimates are based on full-time status for undergraduate students. Link: <u>Cost of Attendance</u>

Contact Information

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