CHANDLER-GILBERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## **Enrollment Checklist: GI Bill® benefits**

- 1. Apply for your VA educational benefits at va.gov/education/how-to-apply. Veterans and service members complete form 22-1990; dependents will complete form 22-5490.
- 2. Apply for admission to Chandler-Gilbert. admissions.maricopa.edu.
- Order official transcripts from all previously attended institutions and have them sent to Admissions & Records for evaluation: cgc.edu/admissions/transfer/transfer-cgcc. Please also request your Joint-Service Transcripts (JSTs) from: jst.doded.mil.
- 4. Determine placement at maricopa.edu/future-students/enrollment-steps/2 and Register for Coyote Kickoff. All new-to-college students must register and attend a Coyote Kickoff (New Student Orientation) session to ensure they are prepared for their first semester. In addition, veterans will also be required to attend Chandler-Gilbert's Veterans-only New Student Orientation to learn about the rules and guidelines regarding the usage of their GI Bill® benefits. (Students who have prior college credit can skip this step and proceed to step 5.)
- 5. Seek mandatory Academic Advisement. It is preferred that you check in with Veterans Services to speak with the Veterans Services Coordinator who has the most familiarity with GI Bill® rules; however, you may also work with a traditional Academic Advisor to select your degree program and classes.
- 6. **Register for classes.** Once you have registered for classes, you will also be automatically enrolled in Chandler-Gilbert's veterans-only section of the New Student Orientation by the Veterans Services staff.
- Submit benefits paperwork to CGCC Veterans Services office. Click on Forms at cgc.edu/student-resources/veterans for instructions and a list of required forms. You must also submit a copy of your VA Certificate of Eligibility letter or the member-4 copy of your DD-214.

**Note:** You must turn in all paperwork the same day you register, to avoid being dropped from your classes for non-payment. Once Veterans Services receives your <u>complete</u> packet of paperwork, they will apply a tuition deferment to prevent this from happening.

- 8. Submit paperwork for residency. Work with the Admissions & Records office to determine your residency status and what documentation you need to submit in order to be reclassified as in-state for tuition purposes. The Post-9/11 GI Bill® only pays the instate portion of tuition. All students are required to submit proof of lawful presence in the U.S. to be eligible for in-state tuition. cgc.edu/admissions/admissions-records/forms
- 9. Learning starts on day one. Students must have registered by the first day of class. Students who do not show up for the first day risk being dropped.