

Admissions and Financial Aid

It is the policy of the College to maintain and promote educational opportunity without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex or disability.

Prior to Admission

Academic Advising/Counseling Services

Students are encouraged to meet with an academic counselor prior to enrollment to discuss educational interest, available program plans, degree requirements and the enrollment process.

Placement tests may be required prior to enrolling in English and math courses. Placement tests are given on a walk-in basis in the counseling center. Academic counselors then discuss test results with the student to determine proper course placement. High school transcripts and SAT scores may also be used for academic advisement. The placement test is not required of students who transfer both English and mathematics credits from another accredited college. Transfer students who wish to receive credit for courses taken at another college must be in a specific plan of study and send the official transcripts from the previous college(s) to the Office of Admissions and Records for evaluation. If the student attended another college within the Virginia Community College system an official transcript will not be needed.

Admission Requirements

General Admission to the College

Any person who has a high school diploma or the equivalent, or who is at least 18 years of age may be admitted to the College. The College reserves the right to evaluate special cases and to refuse admission when the admission of an applicant is not in the best interest of the College. Students may be denied admission if there is sufficient reason to believe that they present danger to themselves or to other students and/or faculty.

In order to be admitted to the College, students must submit the following information to the Office of Admissions and Records:

1. A completed Application for Admission/Readmission.
2. A completed Application for In-State Tuition.

For faster submission and processing we encourage students to apply online at: <http://apply.vccs.edu> Forms are also available in the Office of Admissions and Records. In order to prevent delays at the time of enrollment, please submit applications early.

Readmission

Former students who have not been enrolled for a period of three years or more and wish to enroll must submit a new Application for Admission/Readmission online at: <http://apply.vccs.edu>

Students who have a break in enrollment for a period of 1 year or more will only need to submit an Application for In-State Tuition available at: <http://www.cvcc.vccs.edu/> Select "Admissions" tab then "Apply online". This form will be available to download at the bottom of the screen and may be faxed to the Admissions Office at (434) 832-7793, hand delivered, or mailed to CVCC Admissions, 3506 Wards Rd., Lynchburg, VA 24502. Students declaring independent domicile must provide appropriate documentation.

Residence Requirements

(for determining in-state or out-of-state tuition)

In order to determine in-state or out-of-state tuition rates, the following information must be submitted to the Admissions Office:

1. A completed Application for In-State Tuition.
2. Part A must be completed and signed by the student.
3. Students who are 23 years of age and under who do not qualify as an independent student in Part A of the Application for In-State must have their parent or legal guardian complete Part B of the form.
4. Students who are independent and are 23 years of age and under must provide documentation proving independent domicile. Forms for proving independent domicile are available in the Office of Admissions and Records.

Residence or domicile for students who are under the age of 24 is based on their parents' or legal guardians' domicile/residence. A Virginia In-State resident is one who has been domiciled in, and is and has been an actual bona fide legal resident of Virginia for a period of at least one year prior to the term for which enrollment is planned.

Placement Testing

All students entering the College will be required to take placement tests before enrolling in English or mathematics course unless they have acceptable transfer credit for these courses from another college. The Placement test is administered in the Counseling Center on a walk-in basis and the results are discussed with the student's Academic Counselor.

A student who has successfully completed two years of a foreign language in high school may test for placement into the second year of foreign language.

Admission to a Specific Plan of Study

In order to be eligible for Financial Aid, students must be in an approved program plan. Applicants will be placed in the plan of their choice as specified on their Application for Admission.

Applicants who are entering an Associate Degree program must be a high school graduate or equivalent, have completed an approved developmental program, or otherwise be considered eligible by the college.

Students who wish to enter a restricted program must meet with an academic advisor or counselor for consideration and to discuss qualifications.

Students who wish to receive credit for previous college-level course work must send official transcripts from the previous college(s) attended to the Office of Admissions for evaluation.

Students who have not completed high school and who wish to be placed in a specific program will be required to provide the following information:

1. GED scores (*and/or*)
2. Diploma and /or home schooling certificate (*and/or*)
3. "Ability to Benefit" testing results from a post-secondary program which generally involves taking the Asset or Compass placement test.

Admissions - High School Students

Based on the guidelines developed and approved by the State Department of Education and the Virginia Community College System, CVCC provides opportunities for qualified high school students to enroll in courses at the College.

Students must be high school juniors and seniors who are at least 16 years of age and who are prepared for the demands of college work and can benefit from the opportunity. Placement tests in math and English are required prior to enrolling in math or English courses.

CVCC has developed the following programs and procedures in order to accommodate qualified high school students in college classes. All students should work with their High School Guidance Counselors to determine which courses can be taken at CVCC.

- (1) **Accelerated high school students who wish to complete their high school course requirements by taking CVCC college courses.** Students are usually admitted in the fall semester and become full time CVCC students. These students must arrange for their CVCC transcript to be sent back to the high school in the spring for certification of high school completion. Students must submit a

permission letter signed by the high school principal specifying the courses to be taken and the term before they will be permitted to enroll in courses taught at CVCC .

- (2) **High school students who wish to take a course at CVCC based on their special interest or ability area.** Students are part-time and remain as full-time students in their high school. The student must submit a permission letter signed by the high school principal specifying the course(s) and the term before they will be permitted to enroll in course(s).
- (3) **High school juniors and seniors enrolled in special CVCC courses offered at the high school during the regular school day.** Courses within this program must be approved by the school system and the College. To qualify for these programs the student must speak to their high school guidance department to determine eligibility. CVCC visits selected high schools each spring to administer pre-enrollment testing or students may visit CVCC's main campus to take the placement test. Students must submit an application prior to registration and parents must sign the Application for In-State tuition before enrollment is approved.
- (4) **Accelerated home schooled students are eligible to pursue course work to enrich their home school program but not substitute for the home school experience.** Current documentation from the appropriate school system, state, or other agency, recognizing the student is home schooled must accompany the Application for Admission/Readmission. This documentation must be received before a student can enroll in classes.

Admissions - International Students

International students interested in admission to CVCC should be aware that filling out an application for admission does not automatically guarantee admission. To receive an I-20, non-immigrant students must fulfill additional admission requirements as listed on the CVCC International Admissions website. If applying from outside the country, students must have a complete file four months before the start of the term in which they are applying. If applying as a transfer from another American college or university, students must have a complete file two months before the term in which they plan to enroll. Copies of official documents will not be accepted.

All academic documents from foreign academic intuitions must be accompanied by an English translation from a professional foreign credentials evaluation service. Financial documentation must be provided in American dollars by the student's financial institution. Documentation that the student has a valid health insurance policy covering one calen-

dar year must be in the students file before an I-20 will be issued. Students must demonstrate: English proficiency; possession of health insurance; and, the ability to cover all living and college expenses while here in the United States or they will be denied admission to the College. Delays by the student in providing requested documentation in the forms required will delay the issuance of an I-20.

F-1 students transferring from other U.S. colleges must have completed an entire semester at the initial college before transferring to CVCC.

F-1 students from other colleges seeking enrollment as a part-time student at CVCC should refer to the guidelines for Concurrent Enrollment listed on the College's International Admissions website.

The College does not offer an ESL program. All International applicants must demonstrate proficiency in the English language. This may be done in one of three ways:

1. A score of 80 or better on the TOEFL iBT
2. A score of 550 on the regular TOEFL combined with a TSE score of 40 or better.
3. If applying from a school within the United States - a grade in college level Freshman English of 'C' or better.

Students should be aware that the college does not provide health insurance, transportation, or housing facilities for students. F-1 students are not eligible for financial aid at CVCC.

Students Transferring from other Colleges

Normally, transfer students who are eligible for re-entrance at the last college of attendance are also eligible for admission to Central Virginia Community College.

Students transferring from another college should contact the Office of Admissions and Records at CVCC for an assessment of credits to determine their standing before registering for classes. No credit will be given for courses with grades lower than "C". Transfer students may be advised to repeat courses if it would clearly be advantageous to their curriculum advancement.

Credits may be transferred from an institution accredited by the Commission on Colleges of its regional Association of Colleges and Schools or its state university. Credit from non-regionally accredited colleges and universities may be transferred according to the recommendations in the current issue of the *Higher Education Directory*, or in the current issue of the *AACRAO Transfer Guide*, and/or if the college or university has been certified by its state approving agency.

Credit may be allowed for military service schools if this credit is recommended in *A Guide to the Evaluation of Education Experiences in the Armed Services* and if work is applicable to the program being pursued.

Students who have transcripts from foreign institutions are required to submit their educational records to a professional foreign credentials evaluation service to assist in the determination of the acceptability of their credits at CVCC. Therefore, it is necessary to send all foreign scholastic records to one of the following foreign credentials evaluation organizations for a course-by-course evaluation.

After the agency completes the evaluation, please have the results sent directly to the CVCC Office of Admissions and Records. The following agencies perform foreign credential evaluation services:

EDUCATIONAL CREDENTIALS EVALUATORS

P O Box 92970
Milwaukee WI 53202
Phone: (414) 289-3400
Fee: \$120.00 (detailed evaluation)
Rush Service: Additional \$65.00

AACRAO

Office of International Education Services
One DuPont Circle, N W
Suite 520
Washington, DC 20036-1135

WORLD EDUCATION SERVICES, INC.

P O Box 745
Old Chelsea Station
New York, NY 10011
Phone: (212) 966-6311
Fee: \$125.00 (course-by-course evaluation)
(Fee must be paid by check or money order and accompanied by an application and stamped, self-addressed envelope.)

Students Transferring to other Colleges

Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university are responsible for determining the transfer admission policies and requirements of the department or program at the intended institution. The four-year institution's policies and requirements should guide a student in choosing a course of study and appropriate electives at CVCC. Catalogs and transfer guides for colleges and universities are available in the Counseling Center. Counselors will provide assistance to students in designing an appropriate CVCC program of study. Central Virginia Community College has five college parallel transfer programs leading to the Associate in Arts and Sciences (AA&S) degrees and one Associate in Science (AS) degree. These six transfer programs are designed so that students can parallel CVCC course work with four-year college requirements. Because

of the changing academic requirements of the many Virginia schools, students are encouraged to have direct contact with the institution to which they plan to transfer. The Transfer Guide of that college should be utilized to plan the program. The College Tour, which features representatives from four-year institutions, is held on campus each year during the fall semester and provides an opportunity for students to speak directly with college representatives and obtain additional information.

In addition, Virginia's Community Colleges offer students more than the opportunity to earn a degree or certificate. They provide a gateway to the Commonwealth's four-year colleges and universities. Through system-wide agreements, students who graduate from one of Virginia's 23 community colleges with an associate's degree and a minimum grade point average may obtain GUARANTEED admission to more than 20 of the commonwealth's colleges and universities. To find out more information please visit our website at: <http://www.cvcc.vccs.edu>, go to "Current Students" and select "Transfer information".

Guaranteed Admissions Agreements

Virginia Public Colleges & Universities

Christopher Newport University
College of William and Mary
Longwood University
Norfolk State University
Old Dominion University
Radford University
University of Mary Washington
University of Virginia
University of Virginia's College at Wise
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia State University
Virginia Tech
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
College of Engineering

Virginia Private Colleges & Universities

Emory & Henry College
Lynchburg College
Mary Baldwin College
Virginia Wesleyan College
Randolph College
Regent University
Sweet Briar College
Virginia Union University

Other Colleges and Universities

ECPI
University of Phoenix

Regis University
Strayer University

CVCC Articulation & Guaranteed Admission Agreements

The following schools also offer specific articulation agreements for CVCC graduates.

Ferrum College
Liberty University
Longwood University
Lynchburg College
Montreat-Anderson
Old Dominion University
Radford University
Randolph College
Sweet Briar College
Virginia State University
Virginia Union University

Admissions - Senior Citizens

The Virginia Senior Citizens Higher Education Act of 1974, and amendments, provide educational benefits for senior citizens. Senior citizens, age 60 or over before the beginning of the term, with legal domicile/residency in Virginia for at least one year, and with individual Federal taxable income for the year prior to enrollment not exceeding \$15,000, may enroll in courses for credit without charge. Regardless of income, senior citizens may enroll in credit courses for audit (receive no credit) without charge. There is a charge for enrollment in non-credit continuing education courses.

Prior to being admitted to the College, Senior citizens must submit the following information to the Office of Admissions and Records:

1. Application for Admissions / Readmission
2. In-State Tuition Application
3. Student Tuition Assistance Agreement for Senior Citizens Form.

Senior Citizens may begin registering on the first day of classes. However, if they have completed seventy-five percent of their degree program plan requirements, they may register at the same time as tuition-paying students.

Expenses (2007-2008)

Tuition - Subject to change pending General Assembly action.

The State Board for Community Colleges has established tuition for all credit courses, effective Fall Semester, 2007, as follows:

Per Credit Tuition

Virginia Resident	\$ 82.15 per credit
Out-of-State Resident	\$257.30 per credit

The per credit tuition rate is charged for all credits taken in a given semester. The tuition due is obtained by multiplying the credits taken times the amount per credit.

For example:

- 3 credits x \$82.15 per credit = \$246.45
- 10 credits x \$82.15 per credit = \$821.50
- 15 credits x \$82.15 per credit = \$1,232.25
- 18 credits x \$82.15 per credit = \$1,478.70

Tuition and fees are due and payable on the scheduled registration days. Personal checks are acceptable in the amount of the tuition and fees due. There is a \$20.00 charge for returned checks. Payment of tuition also enables the student to use the library, bookstore, parking lot, student center, and other facilities of the College. There are no special laboratory or library fees, but students are expected to pay charges for any College property which they damage or lose (such as laboratory or shop equipment, supplies, library books and materials).

Students enrolling in special short sessions not offered as part of the regular session or for courses extending beyond one full semester shall pay the per credit tuition rate for such special sessions or courses regardless of the number of credit hours for which they might be registered. Students enrolling in a regular semester or summer session program made up of a combination of short-session and/or full-session courses must pay for the number of credits taken. Students enrolling in two or more community colleges simultaneously shall pay tuition at each college based on the number of credits enrolled.

General and Technology Fees

The College charges all students a \$3.50 per credit technology fee. On-campus, and off campus center students also pay an additional \$2.00 per credit Activity Fee. Out-of-State students pay the above fees plus a \$3.00 per credit capital fee. These fees are to cover on-campus parking, lighting, parking lot maintenance, various student activities, and student publications. Effective with the Spring 2004 semester, the Virginia Community College System implemented an e-rate for courses offered over the web. The following tuition and fees apply to all web courses. In-State students are charged the regular in-state rate plus the \$3.50 per credit technology fee. Out-of-State students will pay \$175.94 per credit hour. In addition out-of-state students pay the \$3.50 per credit technology fee and the \$3.00 per credit capital fee.

Books and Materials

Students are expected to obtain their own books, supplies, and consumable materials needed in their studies. The estimated cost of these items will average \$150.00 per each three credit course taken.

Tuition Refunds

Students shall be eligible for a refund for those credit hours dropped during the drop for refund period. There will be no refund after this period.

1. Regular Semester • Students shall be eligible for a refund of the tuition paid for credits dropped during the first 15% of the semester.
2. Special Sessions • Students shall be eligible for a refund of the tuition paid for credits dropped during the first 15% of the session.
3. Canceled Courses • Full refund for courses canceled by the College.

To be eligible for refund under any of the circumstances set forth in the foregoing paragraphs, a student must complete an Enrollment Change Form and turn it in to the Office of Admissions and Records or go to the college website and log on to My CVCC to drop a course. Official resignation for a student shall become effective on the date that written notification of intent to resign is received by the Office of Admissions and Records or completed online and not the date of the last class attended unless the days coincide. Course withdrawals should be presented in person or by the student's instructors except for the most serious reasons.

All services will be withheld from a student who owes money to the College for any reason or who has books or materials outstanding from the Learning Resource Center. This means that no transcripts will be issued.

Financial Aid

It is the desire of the College that no qualified student be denied the privilege of attendance because of financial need. Students wishing to apply for financial aid may contact the CVCC Financial Aid Office. Financial Aid is available to both full-time and part-time students.

Cost of Attending CVCC

Each year, the Office of Financial Aid develops student cost budgets based on local and national educational costs data. These costs are designed to reflect student expenses faced by the student and their family during a typical nine month academic year. Although paying for a college education is primarily the responsibility of students and their families, assistance is available through a variety of federal, state, and institutional programs for those students who demonstrate a financial need. The cost of education minus the family contribution equals the student's financial need.

Financial Aid Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for financial aid at CVCC, a student must:

1. Be a citizen or eligible non-citizen of the United States or be in the United States for other than a temporary purpose;
2. Be accepted for enrollment in an eligible degree or certificate program;
3. Demonstrate financial need according to each financial aid program's criteria;
4. Maintain satisfactory academic progress according to the CVCC Financial Aid Policy of Satisfactory Progress (a copy may be obtained by contacting the CVCC Office of Financial Aid);
5. Not owe a refund on a federal or state grant or be in default on a Federal Student Loan or a Perkins Loan;
6. Be a high school graduate, have completed a GED, or demonstrate an "Ability to Benefit" from a program of study.

How Financial Aid Eligibility is Determined

Eligibility for student financial aid is determined by subtracting the student's and their family's expected financial contribution (EFC) from the cost of attendance (COA) budget. For example:

COA Budget\$10,000
Expected Family Contribution	-\$2,000
Financial Aid Eligibility\$8,000

Funds from various student aid programs are packaged in an attempt to meet a major portion of the student's eligibility. Although CVCC seeks funding from a variety of federal, state, and local sources, funds are generally never sufficient to meet the total eligibility for all students.

How to Apply for Financial Aid

The following items are required each year to complete your application for student financial aid:

1. Students can obtain the Free Application for Federal Student Aid by going to www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov. Students have the option of obtaining the FAFSA by downloading the PDF file, completing it and either mailing it to the Processing Center or submitting it to the Financial Aid Office. Students still have the option of completing the FAFSA on-line by going to www.fafsa.ed.gov. To insure faster processing, you should write in CVCC's College Title IV School Code: 004988. Applications submitted prior to March 15, preceding the upcoming academic year, will receive priority consideration for all financial aid funds. A new application for financial aid must be filed each year.
2. You must be accepted for admission to the College and placed in an eligible plan of study. Note: Transfer students must request that official academic transcripts from all prior

- post-secondary institutions be sent to the Office of Admissions and Records
3. A social security number is required to apply for financial aid. Be sure that your name matches the name on your Social Security card when you apply.
4. Applicants who do not possess a high school diploma or GED are required to pass an ability-to-benefit test. Students who are dually enrolled in high school and CVCC are not eligible for financial aid. Contact the College Financial Aid Office for details. Applicants may be required to provide documentation of high school graduation or receipt of a GED certificate.
5. Additional information may be requested by the College Financial Aid Office. Students are encouraged to apply by March 15, and to keep copies of tax records and other financial information used to complete the need analysis application for future reference. After the student's completed Financial Aid Application is received, the College Financial Aid Office will determine eligibility based upon federal, state, and institutional guidelines.

NOTE: If your application is selected for verification, you must submit signed copies of parent / student / spouse federal income tax returns and other documents as requested. Verification is the review and confirmation of the accuracy of the applicant's data.

Ability to Benefit

A student who does not have a high school diploma or a GED may establish eligibility for financial aid by demonstrating the "Ability to Benefit" from a post-secondary program by achieving a passing score on an Ed-approved test. Please contact the CVCC Office of Financial Aid for more information.

Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Recipients

Federal regulations require that students receiving federal financial aid must obtain satisfactory academic progress in accordance with the standards set by the College. Exclusive of developmental studies, students may receive financial aid for no more than 150 percent of the published length of their academic program. This limitation includes all terms of enrollment, not only those terms that aid was awarded and received. Developmental studies courses are limited to one academic year, 30 semester hours, of enrollment.

Student aid recipients are also required to maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) and credit completion rates. GPA requirements will be evaluated after each semester and credit completion rates will be evaluated after each academic year. A copy of the CVCC Financial Aid Policy of Sat-

atisfactory Academic Progress may be obtained by contacting the CVCC Office of Financial Aid.

Return of Title IV Funds

The Higher Education Amendments of 1998 require all institutions to calculate the percentage of Title IV funds to be returned when a student withdraws before completing more than 60% of the semester for which he or she received funds. As a result, the institutions must return some or all of the unearned Title IV funds that had been disbursed, and, when a student's Title IV aid exceeds institutional charges, the student must also return a portion of unearned funds. The amount a student has earned is directly related to the length of time the student has remained enrolled during the semester.

Financial Aid Programs Available

CVCC does not participate in the Federal Family Education Loan Programs, however, the College does participate in the following grant, work, and scholarship programs:

Federal Pell Grant-This grant program provides a foundation of financial aid to which aid from other sources may be added.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)-Students with exceptional financial need and have eligibility for the Federal Pell Grant may qualify for this program.

Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG)-Recipients of this award must be 1st time high school students who completed the appropriate programs in high school. Recipients must be eligible for the Federal Pell Grant.

College Scholarship Assistance Program (CSAP)-This need-based state grant program is available for eligible Virginia residents. Recipients must be enrolled for at least 6 credits per semester.

Commonwealth Award (COMA)- Recipients of this need-based state program must be domiciled in Virginia and must be enrolled for at least 6 credits per semester.

Virginia Guaranteed Assistance Program (VGAP)-Recipients of this need-based state program must be first-time college students who have graduated from a Virginia High School with a high school GPA of at least a 2.5. VGAP recipients must also be full-time dependent students and maintain a College GPA of a 2.0. Students may renew their VGAP award for the next academic year by remaining financially eligible, maintaining a 2.0 GPA, and successfully completing 24 credit hours during the previous academic year.

Part-Time Tuition Assistance Program (PTAP)-This need-based state community college program is designed to provide tuition assistance for qualifying Virginia residents who are working toward a degree or certificate program one class at a time. This

grant will pay the tuition amount for 3 to 5 credit hours only.

Federal College Work-Study Program (CWSP)-This federal need-based employment program enables qualifying students to work part-time while attending college. Hours of employment normally will range between 10-15 hours a week.

CVCC Educational Foundation, Inc. - The CVCC Educational Foundation, Inc. assists the College in providing academic as well as need-based scholarships. The Foundation is a charitable, non-profit corporation which provides a venue for individuals, organizations, business and industry to contribute to the College. Active scholarships supported by the Foundation include:

- Alumni Association
- Alvin W. Singleton
- Chip Anderson Memorial
- Associated General Contractors of Central Virginia
- Dr. Robert L. and Joy W. Bashore
- Belvac Scholarship
- CVCC Honors
- Carson and Drinkard
- Joseph Crouch Memorial
- J. B. Drinkard
- John E. Freese
- The Foundation Grant
- Genworth Financial
- Internet Employee Retraining Fund
- The Lane Foundation
- Emery Mayew
- Johnnie and Bettye Merritt Family
- R.R. Donnelley
- Schewel for Women
- Stroobants Technology
- VA. Tobacco Commission
- Martin and Ruth Webb
- Weyerhaeuser Foundation

Job Information

The College maintains a job information service for off-campus jobs. The working student is advised to adjust work or class load to accommodate both work and studies. Employment opportunities may be available while attending CVCC, during vacations, and even after graduation.

Veterans Services

CVCC provides a Veterans Coordinator whose office is located in the Amherst Building, Room 2204. The Veterans Coordinator provides information regarding educational benefits from the Department of Veterans affairs (DVA), and will help you apply for your benefits.

For more information go to our web page at: <http://www.cvcc.vccs.edu/Student%20Services/Veterans/default.asp>

Montgomery GI Bill - Active Duty (Chapter 30)

The MGIB-AD program provides up to 36 months of education benefits. This benefit may be used for degree and certificate programs. Benefits are payable for 10 years following your release from active duty.

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Service (Chapter 31)

VR&E's primary benefit program is vocational rehabilitation services for veterans who have a service-connected disability. To receive services a veteran must be found both eligible and entitled. VR&E also provides educational and vocational counseling for eligible service members, veterans, and veterans' dependents.

Veterans Educational Assistance Program (Chapter 32)

VEAP is available if you entered active duty between January 1, 1977 and June 30, 1985 and you elected to make contributions from your military pay to participate in this education benefit program. This benefit may be used for degree and certificate programs. Benefits are payable for 10 years following your release from active duty.

Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (Chapter 35)

DEA provides education and training opportunities to eligible spouses and dependents of veterans who are permanently and totally disabled due to a service-related condition, or who died while on active duty or as a result of a service related condition. The program offers up to 45 months of education benefits. These benefits may be used for degree and certificate programs.

Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve (Chapter 1606)

The MGIB-SR program may be available to you if you are a member of the Selected Reserve. The Selected Reserve includes the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Coast Guard Reserve, and the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard. This benefit may be used for degree and certificate programs. Eligibility for this program is determined by the Selected Reserve components.

Montgomery GI Bill - Reserve Educational Assistance Program (Chapter 1607)

REAP 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. 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.

Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program

VMSDEP provides education benefits to eligible spouses and children of military service members killed, missing in action, taken prisoner, or who became at least 90 percent disabled as a result of military service in an armed conflict. This program may pay for tuition and fees at any state-supported college or university. Benefits are available for up to four years.

Dependent Children Tuition Waiver

The surviving spouse and any child between the ages of 16 and 25 whose parent or whose spouse has been killed in the line of duty while employed or serving as a law-enforcement officer, sworn law-enforcement officer, firefighter, special forest warden, member of a rescue squad, special agent of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, state correctional, regional or local jail officer, regional jail or jail farm superintendent, sheriff, or deputy sheriff, member of the Virginia National Guard, or member of the Virginia State Defense Force, shall be entitled to free undergraduate tuition and the payment of required fees at a public institution of higher education.

Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges

SOC is a consortium of more than 1800 colleges and universities that provide educational opportunities for servicemembers and their families. SOC is co-sponsored by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) and the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), in cooperation with 13 other educational associations. CVCC has been designated as an institutional member of the SOC.

