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**Veteran Student Checklist**

\*\*Not all items may be applicable to your situation - Please read each one carefully

<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>1. Degree Programs</b> View <b>AND</b> select a degree program</p>	<p><b>Traditional (in-person):</b> <a href="https://www.odu.edu/academics/programs">https://www.odu.edu/academics/programs</a></p> <p><b>ODU Global (online):</b> <a href="https://online.odu.edu/programs">https://online.odu.edu/programs</a> (Fill out the interest form for the online program you're interested in. An enrollment coach will contact you for personalized, one-on-one support.)</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>2. Apply for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)</b> (Optional)</p> <p>- The GI Bill is not impacted by the FAFSA. If you receive grants or loans through FAFSA you will still receive the same amount of the GI Bill.</p>	<p><a href="https://studentaid.gov/">https://studentaid.gov/</a></p> <p><b>Questions?</b> Contact ODU's Financial Aid Office <a href="https://www.odu.edu/finaidoffice/virtual">https://www.odu.edu/finaidoffice/virtual</a></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>3. Apply for Admission to ODU</b></p>	<p><b>Undergraduate &amp; Graduate:</b> <a href="#">ODU Application</a></p> <p><b>Transfer Application Requirements:</b> - All those who have served in the military should apply as a <u>transfer</u>.</p> <p><b>Questions?</b> Contact ODU's Transfer Center <a href="https://www.odu.edu/transfer/transfer-centers">https://www.odu.edu/transfer/transfer-centers</a></p> <p><b>Request \$50 Application Fee Waiver:</b> - Email <a href="mailto:admissions@odu.edu">admissions@odu.edu</a></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>4. In-State Tuition Application</b> Students must apply for in-state tuition before classes start for the term (at least three weeks before). Students who fail to apply for in-state privileges will be billed at the out-of-state rate.</p> <p>- Questions concerning this benefit should be addressed to <a href="mailto:instate@odu.edu">instate@odu.edu</a> or call the Registrar's Office at 757-683-4425.</p>	<p><b>Military In-State Tuition Information:</b> <a href="https://www.odu.edu/tuition-aid/costs-tuition/tuition/application/active-duty">https://www.odu.edu/tuition-aid/costs-tuition/tuition/application/active-duty</a></p> <p><b>Application for Active Duty/Veteran Tuition Rates</b> <a href="https://forms.odu.edu/view.php?id=467634">https://forms.odu.edu/view.php?id=467634</a></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>5. Submit Official Transcripts</b> Submit credentials to the Office of Admissions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Undergraduate admissions email:</b> <a href="mailto:admissions@odu.edu">admissions@odu.edu</a></li> <li>• <b>Graduate admissions email:</b> <a href="mailto:gradadmit@odu.edu">gradadmit@odu.edu</a></li> </ul>	<p><b>High School Transcript:</b> (if earned less than 24 college credits) - Contact your high school or school district to obtain diploma or order transcript to be sent electronically to ODU's Admissions Office</p> <p><b>Official Joint Services Transcript:</b> (OPTIONAL) <a href="https://jst.doded.mil/">https://jst.doded.mil/</a></p> <p><b>CCAF:</b> (MANDATORY for Air Force personnel) <a href="http://www.airuniversity.af.mil/Barnes/CCAF/Display/Article/803247/">http://www.airuniversity.af.mil/Barnes/CCAF/Display/Article/803247/</a></p> <p><b>Previous College Experience Official Transcript(s):</b> - Contact your previous school to order transcript to be sent electronically to ODU's Admissions Office</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>6. Check Application Status</b> (Optional)</p>	<p><b>Undergraduate:</b> <a href="https://www.odu.edu/admission/undergraduate/status-check">https://www.odu.edu/admission/undergraduate/status-check</a></p> <p><b>Graduate:</b> <a href="https://www.odu.edu/admission/graduate/status">https://www.odu.edu/admission/graduate/status</a></p>

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>7. Apply for VA Education Benefits</b> Know which benefit you're using? Click to go to directly to the application below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#">Chapter 1606: Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">Chapter 30: Montgomery GI Bill</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">Chapter 31: Veteran Readiness and Employment</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">Chapter 33: Post 9/11 GI Bill</a></li> </ul> <p><b>**Ch 1606, Ch 30, and Ch 33 ONLY</b> Once you complete the application, the VA will take 30-45 days to process your request. Once the request is processed, the VA will mail a <b>Certificate of Eligibility (COE)</b> to your home/ mailing address. <b>Keep the Certificate of Eligibility sent by the VA for your records and for submission to ODU.</b></p>	<p><a href="https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/">https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/</a></p> <p><b>Questions?</b> Contact VA Education Hotline: 1-888-442-4551 <b>OR</b> use Ask VA <a href="https://ask.va.gov/">https://ask.va.gov/</a></p> <p>**Service members or veterans who have received VA benefits previously at another college need to file a "Request for Change of Program or Place of Training" VA Form 22-1995: <a href="https://www.va.gov/education/apply-for-education-benefits/application/1995/introduction">https://www.va.gov/education/apply-for-education-benefits/application/1995/introduction</a></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>8. Confirm Admission</b> Admissions usually takes about 2-3 weeks to get back to you with a decision</p>	<p><b>Confirm Your Admission and Submit the Deposit:</b> <a href="https://www.odu.edu/admission/admitted/confirm">https://www.odu.edu/admission/admitted/confirm</a></p> <p><b>Request \$200 Tuition Deposit Waiver:</b> - Email <a href="mailto:admissions@odu.edu">admissions@odu.edu</a> (Graduate programs and ODU Global programs <b>do not</b> pay a tuition deposit fee)</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>9. Attend Orientation</b></p> <p>If you have <b>no</b> prior college experience or have <b>23 college credits or less:</b> <b><u>9a. FRESHMAN ORIENTATION</u></b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>If you have <b>24 college credits or more:</b> <b><u>9b. TRANSFER ORIENTATION</u></b></p>	<p><b>Questions?</b> Contact New Student Experience - Email: <a href="mailto:orientation@odu.edu">orientation@odu.edu</a> - Phone: 757-683-3428</p> <p>- Below are a selection of important tasks and opportunities for students to complete before the fall semester:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#">Complete Placement Exams</a></li> <li>● Begin a <a href="#">housing application</a> if interested in living on-campus.</li> <li>● Review <a href="#">Student Financial Account</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">Purchase Parking Permit</a></li> <li>● Submit <a href="#">Monarch ID Card</a> photo and pick up your new ID in Monarch Hall</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>9a. Attend Freshman Orientation</u></b> **If student has <b>no</b> prior college enrollment or has <b>23 college credits or less:</b></p>		<p>- The <i>New to Blue</i> timeline is accompanied by the new student checklist that can be found in your <a href="#">myODU portal</a>.</p> <p>- <i>Discover Your Pride: Monarch Orientation</i> is a one-day on-campus orientation experience for new students. <b>Course registration happens during orientation.</b></p> <p>- Please check your ODU student email for Monarch Orientation registration information.</p>
<p><b><u>9b. Attend Transfer Orientation</u></b> **If student has <b>24 college credits or more</b></p>		<p>- Transfer Orientation is an <i>optional</i>, one-day on-campus orientation experience for new students who meet the transfer credit threshold requirement. <b>Course registration happens during orientation.</b></p> <p>- Please check your ODU student email for Transfer Orientation registration information.</p>



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<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>10. ODU Veterans Clearance Form (VCF)</b></p> <p><b>**Ch 1606, Ch 30, and Ch 33 ONLY</b></p> <p>- ODU School Certifying Officials (SCOs) begin reporting enrollment to the VA 30 days before the first day of your class start date.</p> <p>- During peak periods, please allow at least 30 business days for processing. Make sure to check your ODU student email for communications from the School Certification Team.</p>	<p>- Upload your scanned Certificate of Eligibility (COE) to your Veteran's Clearance Form <b>after</b> you have registered for classes <a href="https://forms.odu.edu/view.php?id=75838">https://forms.odu.edu/view.php?id=75838</a></p> <p><b>**MAKE SURE WHEN SUBMITTING THIS FORM THAT YOUR UIN IS INPUTTED CORRECTLY**</b></p> <p><b>**Chapter 31: Veteran Readiness and Employment:</b></p> <p>- Please contact your VA assigned VR&amp;E counselor. Chapter 31 students do not need to submit a Veterans Clearance Form. A student's VR&amp;E counselor will submit an e-authorization in lieu of this form.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>11. Contact the Office of Education Accessibility (OEA) to learn more about academic accommodations (Optional)</b></p>	<p>The Military Connection Center encourages students to register and establish accommodations with OEA prior to the start of courses.</p> <p><b>Register for Services:</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.odu.edu/accessibility/registration">https://www.odu.edu/accessibility/registration</a></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>12. Visit the Military Connection Center (MCC) and check out the spaces and resources designated for ODU's military affiliated students (Optional)</b></p> <p><b>**The MCC hosts a Welcome Lunch at the beginning of every fall and spring semester. To register for our events, join us on <a href="#">Monarch Groups!</a></b></p>	<p>For more information, email <a href="mailto:military@odu.edu">military@odu.edu</a> or stop by the Military Connection Center for a tour of our spaces, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MCC Main Office</li> <li>• MCC Support Services Office</li> <li>• Computer Lab</li> <li>• Community Lounge</li> <li>• Break Room</li> <li>• Reservable Study Spaces</li> </ul>

## Additional Resources for Student Veterans

<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Veteran Student Success Coach and Operation: BLUE</b></p> 	<p>Supports student veterans' personal and academic success and assists with navigating college through major exploration, understanding basic needs (financial aid, housing, food), personal health and wellness, and adjusting to a non-military-oriented lifestyle.</p> <p><b>Operation BLUE: Bridging Life and University Experience</b> is a year-long active learning program where student veterans are guided through intentionally designed workshops and activities to gain practical experience, self-awareness and transferable skills.</p> <p>Email Sarah Cervantes at <a href="mailto:scervant@odu.edu">scervant@odu.edu</a> for more information.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Peer Advisors for Veteran Education (PAVE)</b></p> 	<p>This program connects current student veterans trained as Peer Advisors with incoming student veterans to help them navigate college life, address challenges they may face, refer them to appropriate resources on and off-campus, and provide ongoing support. To become a Peer Advisor, complete an <a href="#">interest form</a>.</p> <p>Email Pave Team Leader at <a href="mailto:pave@odu.edu">pave@odu.edu</a> for more information.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Student Veterans of America (SVA)</b></p> 	<p>Connects student veterans and family members to build community, provides resources and opportunities, and empowers students to reach their full potential.</p> <p>Email SVA Team Leaders at <a href="mailto:odustudentveteran@gmail.com">odustudentveteran@gmail.com</a> for more information.</p>