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(2) Has a deficiency in a subject which is indispensable to the satisfactory pursuit of an approved program of education.

(b) *Approval.* The Department of Veterans Affairs will grant approval when:

(1) The educational institution certifies that:

(i) Individualized tutorial assistance is essential to correct a deficiency in a specified subject or subjects required as a part of, or which is prerequisite to, or which is indispensable to the satisfactory pursuit of an approved program of education;

(ii) The tutor selected:

(A) Is qualified, and

(B) Is not the parent, spouse, child, brother or sister of the veteran or eligible person; and

(iii) The charges for this assistance do not exceed the customary charges for such tutorial assistance; and

(2) The assistance is furnished on an individual basis.

(Authority: 10 U.S.C. 16131(h); 38 U.S.C. 3019, 3234, 3492, 3533(b))

(c) *Limits on tutorial assistance.* (1) VA will authorize the cost of tutorial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$100 per month.

(2) The total amount of all tutorial assistance provided under this section will not exceed \$1200.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3019, 3492, 3533(b))

(d) *Entitlement charge.* VA will make no charge against the veteran's or eligible person's entitlement to educational assistance for any amount of tutorial assistance authorized.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3019, 3492, 3533(b))

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COURSES

§ 21.4250 Approval of courses.

(a) *General.* A course of education, including the class schedules of a resident course (other than a flight course) not leading to a standard college degree, offered by a school must be approved by the State approving agency for the State in which the school is located, or by the State approving agen-

cy which has appropriate approval authority, or, where appropriate, by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3672)

(1) A course approved under 38 U.S.C. chapter 36 shall be deemed approved for purposes of 38 U.S.C. chapter 35.

(2) Any course which was approved under 38 U.S.C. chapter 33 (as in effect before February 1, 1965), or under 38 U.S.C. chapter 35 prior to March 3, 1966, and was not or is not disapproved for failure to meet any of the requirements of the applicable chapters will be deemed to be approved for purposes of 38 U.S.C. chapter 36.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3670)

(b) *State approving agencies.* Approval by State approving agencies will be in accordance with the provisions of 38 U.S.C. Chapter 36 and such regulations and policies as the agency may adopt not in conflict therewith.

(1) *Notice of approval.* Each State approving agency will furnish to the Department of Veterans Affairs a current list of schools specifying courses which it has approved, and will furnish such other information as it and the Department of Veterans Affairs may determine to be necessary. See § 21.4258.

(2) *Notice of suspension of approval or disapproval.* Each State approving agency will notify the Department of Veterans Affairs of the suspension of approval or disapproval of any course previously approved and will set forth the reasons for such suspension of approval or disapproval. See § 21.4259.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3672(a))

(3) *Failure to act.* If notice has been furnished that the State approving agency does not intend to act on the application of a school, the school may request approval by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(c) *Department of Veterans Affairs approval.* (1) The Director, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Service may approve special restorative training in excess of 12 months to overcome or lessen the effects of a physical or mental disability to enable an eligible child to pursue a program of education under 38 U.S.C. chapter 35.

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(2) The Director, Education Service may approve—

(i) A course of education offered by any agency of the Federal Government authorized under other laws to offer such a course;

(ii) A course of education to be pursued under 10 U.S.C. Chapter 1606 or 38 U.S.C. Chapters 30, 32, 35, or 36 offered by a school located in the Canal Zone, Guam or Samoa;

(Authority: 10 U.S.C. 16136, 38 U.S.C. 3034, 3241, 3672)

(iii) Except as provided in §21.4150(d) as to the Republic of the Philippines, a course of education to be pursued under 10 U.S.C. chapter 1606 or 38 U.S.C. chapter 30, 32, or 35 offered by an institution of higher learning not located in a State;

(iv) Any course in any other school in accordance with the provisions of 38 U.S.C. chapter 36; and

(v) Any program of apprenticeship the standards for which have been approved by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to section 50a of Title 29 U.S.C. as a national apprenticeship program for operation in more than one State and for which the training establishment is a carrier directly engaged in interstate commerce and providing training in more than one State.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3241, 3476, 3523, 3672(b), 3672(c))

CROSS REFERENCE: *State approving agencies.* See §21.4150(e).

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§21.4251 Minimum period of operation requirement for educational institutions.

(a) *Definitions.* The following definitions apply to the terms used in this section. The definitions in §21.4200 apply to the extent that no definition is included in this paragraph.

(1) *Control.* The term *control* (including the term *controlling*) means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership

of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise.

(2) *Person.* The term *person* means an individual, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3680A(e))

(b) *Some educational institutions must be in operation for 2 years.* Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, when a proprietary educational institution offers a course not leading to a standard college degree, VA may not approve an enrollment in that course if the proprietary educational institution—

(1) Has been operating for less than 2 years;

(2) Offers the course at a branch or extension and the branch or extension has been operating for less than 2 years; or

(3) Offers the course following either a change in ownership or a complete move outside its original general locality, and the educational institution does not retain substantially the same faculty, student body, and courses as before the change in ownership or the move outside the general locality unless the educational institution, after such change or move, has been in operation for at least 2 years.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3680A(e) and (g))

(c) *Exception to the 2-year operation requirement.* Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section, VA may approve the enrollment of a veteran, servicemember, reservist, or eligible person in a course not leading to a standard college degree approved under this subpart if it is offered by a proprietary educational institution that—

(1) Offers the course under a contract with the Department of Defense or the Department of Transportation; and

(2) Gives the course on or immediately adjacent to a military base, Coast Guard station, National Guard facility, or facility of the Selected Reserve.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3680A(e) and (g))

(d) *Operation for 2 years.* VA will consider, for the purposes of paragraph (b)