

# Veteran Rapid Retraining Assistance Program (VRRAP)

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has launched VRRAP as part of its continued effort to support Veterans seeking retraining and economic opportunities in response to the effects of the coronavirus pandemic.

VRRAP provides **up to 12 months of tuition, fee, and monthly housing allowance payments**, based on Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits, to qualifying Veterans seeking training for employment in a high-demand occupation.

## VRRAP Eligibility

To qualify, Veterans must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ At least 22 years old, but not older than 66, **and**
- ✓ Unemployed because of the COVID-19 pandemic, **and**
- ✓ Not eligible for GI Bill or Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&E) benefits (or, if eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill, you've transferred all of your benefits to family members), **and**
- ✓ Not rated as totally disabled because you can't work, **and**
- ✓ Not enrolled in a federal or state jobs programs, **and**
- ✓ Not receiving unemployment benefits (including CARES Act benefits)

## Learn More and Apply

Learn more about VRRAP, eligibility, and how to apply at

<https://www.va.gov/education/other-va-education-benefits/veteran-rapid-retraining-assistance/>



## High-Demand Occupations

In partnership with the Department of Labor, VA published a list of high-demand occupations. The list includes health care, education, media, engineering, and high-tech opportunities. To see the full list, visit <https://benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/docs/vrrap-high-demand-occupation-list.pdf>.



## VRRAP Approved Schools

VA has published a list of VRRAP approved educational institutions and training programs. This list is updated regularly as more schools and programs are approved. To see the full list, visit <https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/VRRAP-ApprovedEducationalInstitutions.pdf>.

VA is actively partnering with schools to participate in VRRAP. While participation is voluntary, this is a great opportunity to support Veterans seeking retraining and employment opportunities in response to the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic. More information on the school application process is available online at [https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/vrrap\\_educational\\_institutions.asp](https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/vrrap_educational_institutions.asp).



## APPLY TODAY

The Veteran application for the VRRAP is now available on VA.gov at: <https://www.va.gov/education/other-va-education-benefits/veteran-rapid-retraining-assistance/>