NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST
Post 9/11 GI Bill (CH 33)

☐ Apply to UCCS
- Apply at uccs.edu
- Register for Orientation by visiting orientation.uccs.edu

☐ Apply for Certificate of Eligibility (COE)
- Apply at va.gov
- VA Benefits and Health Care > Education and Training > How to apply > Apply for education benefits

☐ New Student Intake (NSI)
- Come by the McCord-Herbst Student Veteran Center (VMA) located at 1202 Austin Bluffs Pkwy, bottom floor of Gateway Hall OR call us at (719) 255- 3253

☐ Enroll in Classes
- Enroll in classes through student portal or by visiting registrar.uccs.edu/class-registration-guide for step-by-step instructions

☐ Residency Status
- Complete the Tuition Classification Form (TCF)
- UCCS Portal > Records and Registration > Tuition Classification Form

☐ Request for Enrollment Verification
- UCCS Portal > Records and Registration > Veteran Benefit Enrollment - REV

*This form MUST be completed EVERY semester you would like to use your benefits before census date to avoid late fees

☐ Financial Aid (FAFSA) and College Opportunity Fund (COF)
- UCCS Portal > Student Financials (Bursar) > Authorize COF
- Apply for FAFSA: www.studentaid.gov

☐ Textbook Affordability and Access Program (TAAP)
- All Students are automatically enrolled in the TAAP program, if you do not opt out, the book fee will be added to your student bill and will be your responsibility.
- If you choose to opt out, you must do so each semester and will be responsible for finding all required textbooks. For more information visit: www.uccs.edu/taap

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Additional Information and Resources

☐ College Opportunity Fund (COF)
- All students who are classified as a CO resident and are pursuing an undergraduate degree qualify for COF
- The process includes two-steps: applying for COF and then authorizing the use of funds
- For any questions regarding COF please contact the Office of the Registrar at (719) 255-3361

☐ Financial Aid (FAFSA)
- Students receiving VA benefits can also use financial aid
- The UCCS Financial Aid office will email your student email address with an award offer once your application is processed
- You must then accept/decline any aid on your student portal by visiting the financial aid section

☐ Payment Plan Options

- UCCS currently does not drop students for non-payment. Your bill is your responsibility. Bills are emailed to your student email address.
- Payment plans are optional and help you avoid late fees.
- However, once your REV form is approved, you will be granted a late fee waiver through the end of the term.
- The Bursar's office offers a 4-Month and 3-Month Payment plan that uses auto-deduction on the 20th of each month. Each plan charges a $45 set-up fee each semester.
- If the VA does not cover your full bill, you can make monthly payments until the balance is paid.
- To enroll in future courses, you must reduce your previous term's balance to $499 or less
- Please be aware VA does not cover TAAP, parking passes, or dorm charges. You will be responsible for paying for these items either with financial aid, your VA stipend, or out of pocket.