Financial Aid Options for
Active Duty/Veterans

Concordia University Chicago appreciates your service, whether you are an active duty service member or veteran.

Multiple financial aid options are available to assist veterans and their dependents in achieving a college education. The Post-9/11 GI Bill (CH.33) provides educational assistance to individuals who served on active duty on or after September 11, 2001. Concordia University Chicago is a participating institution of the Yellow Ribbon Program.

How do I apply for education benefits?

The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) is now accepting and processing applications. Complete and submit the VONAPP application form online at www.gibill.va.gov/apply-for-benefits/application. Once completed, you will receive written notification from the DVA explaining their decision regarding your eligibility. If you are eligible, your Certificate of Eligibility (COE) will advise you if your service meets the requirements.

What documentation does Concordia–Chicago require for eligibility?

To be eligible for education benefits, submit the following documentation to the Student Financial Planning Office at Concordia–Chicago:

- Copy of your COE from the Veterans Administration
- Copy of your DD-214
- Change of Program Form (if you recently attended another college or university)

What other financial aid options are available?

You may complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.gov to determine your eligibility for federal/state grants and/or direct Stafford loans. These loans do not require credit approval, but do require the submission of a FAFSA every year. The FAFSA school code for Concordia University Chicago is 001666.

For more information, contact the Office of Student Financial Planning at 708-209-3113 or email crffa@CUChicago.edu.