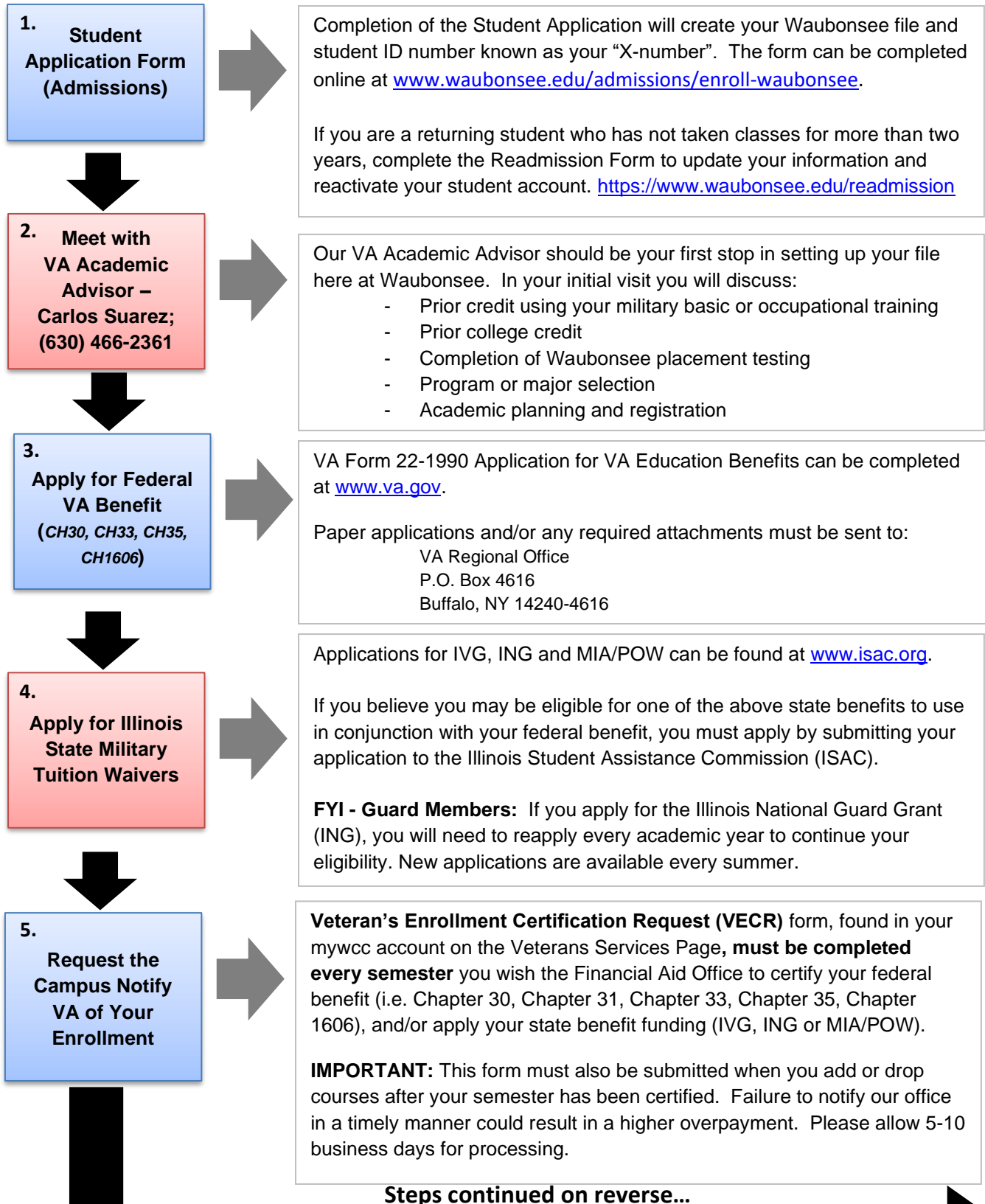
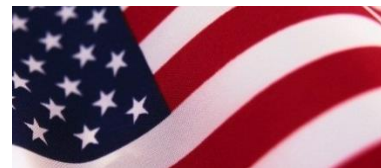




WCC Veteran and Military Student Checklist





IMPORTANT CONTACTS

For assistance getting started, academic advising, benefit/referral information, and the evaluation of military training for college credit, please contact:

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For assistance with financial aid and veterans' benefits, please contact:

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SALUTE National Honor Society for Veteran and Military College Students recognizes those earning an overall 3.0 GPA or higher. Invitations are sent out to eligible students each Fall and Spring terms.



6. Complete Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Every veteran is asked to complete the FAFSA to determine eligibility for additional aid through the federal and state grant programs. **Federal School Code: 006931**

The FAFSA is completed at www.studentaid.gov.

7. Certificate of Eligibility (CoE)

You must provide a copy of your Certificate of Eligibility for each federal benefit you wish to use.

Dependent Students: If you are using dependent benefit Chapter 35, you must provide the social security number of the veteran and your payee code when submitting your letter to our office. **This information is considered your VA file number and is required for processing.**

8. Verify Enrollment for CH30, CH33 and CH1606

You must verify your attendance through the VA at the end of every month before payment is issued.

MGIB - CH30 and CH1606: Verification of attendance is completed through the VA's W.A.V.E. system by phone at 1-877-823-2378 or online at www.gibill.va.gov/wave.

Post 9/11 GI Bill - CH33: You will verify your enrollment by responding to a monthly text from the VA. The VA will contact you after initial certification of your enrollment. You can contact the VA Education Call Center at 1-888-442-4551 to opt into text verification, verify your monthly enrollment by phone, or ensure your phone number is correct in VA's systems.

Military Tuition Assistance

Tuition Assistance (TA) is a Department of Defense (DoD) program. TA rules vary between military branches. Service members must be approved at least 7 days prior to the start of each semester. To get started, you will need to initiate the application process through your specific branch's education center:

Army TA

Air Force TA

Coast Guard TA

Marine Corps TA

Navy TA

CH31 Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&E)

CH31 or VR&E is available to veterans who have been determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a service-connected disability rating of at least 10% with a discharge that was not dishonorable.

VR&E will help you explore employment options and address education or training needs.

To apply for CH31, you will need to complete VA Form 28-1900. This form is available at www.va.gov/careers-employment/vocational-rehabilitation/.