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Veterans Assistance

The Associate of Science in Firearms Technology, Certificate in Firearms Technology – Gunsmithing and Certificate in Unmanned Technology- Aerial Systems programs are approved by the Arizona State Approving Agency for use of GI Bill® Benefits, including Chapters 30, 31, 33, 35, and 1606. Eligible veterans and dependents can access additional information and apply online at www.benefits.va.gov/gibill. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) determines student eligibility. Eligibility may be impacted by many factors, including other schools attended, annual funding caps, and enrollment status.

SDI complies with the VA's requirements of 38 USC 3679(e) which requires schools to allow students to participate in any given course and other educational resources without restrictions or penalties if the course is approved for eligibility under chapters 31 or 33, even if disbursement of funding is delayed. Covered students will not be required to provide alternative funding when such funding is anticipated based on confirmation of eligibility.

Note that although SDI's full-time enrollment status requires 12 semester credits during a 16 or 20 week term, the VA considers eligibility based on course-specific credit hours and durations during the semester. Students are typically enrolled in multiple courses during a term and the modular nature of the schedule may impact the VA's calculation, which may vary during the semester based on actual scheduled courses. The table **listed** illustrates the enrollment status for each individual course, which, when combined, can impact the actual enrollment status for the period.

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