Student Veteran Services Educational Agreement

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Degree Plan/Major: _____

Program Type: *(circle one)* ◯ *Certificate* ◯ *Associate Degree* ◯ *Bachelor's Degree*

ATTENDANCE POLICY: Students using Veteran Administration (VA) or military Tuition Assistance (TA) benefits at Grayson College will have attendance monitored until the time the student drops, graduates, or completes the program. Students who fail to attend classes by the census date will be marked as a no-show and may be dropped from the course for non-attendance. The student may also be administratively withdrawn from any course for violation of the program's, or course's, required attendance policy. It is the student's responsibility to confirm their enrollment status with their instructor(s) and take necessary action to avoid unintended drops and potential financial repercussions. All violations of the attendance policy will be reported to VA within 30 days, potentially leading to a reduction or loss of your education benefits. Additionally, being withdrawn for non-attendance may result in a debt to the VA for any benefits already disbursed for the course.

DEGREE PLAN/DEGREE AUDIT: Transcripts from all prior colleges including military transcripts must be submitted to the school for the purpose of credit evaluation before attendance can be certified for VA/TA purposes. Only courses that satisfy requirements outlined by the degree plan or graduation evaluation form can be certified. If a student takes a course that does not fulfill a program requirement, it cannot be certified for VA/TA purposes. Excessive free electives, for example, cannot be certified.

REPEATED COURSES: Courses that are successfully completed may not be certified for VA/TA purposes if they are repeated. However, if a student fails a class or if a program requires a higher grade than achieved, that course may be repeated. For example, if Nursing requires a "B" or better in Biology, then that course may be repeated if a "B" was not earned.

REMEDIAL COURSES: Generally, VA/TA students are exempt from meeting the Texas Success Initiative Assessment 2.0 (TSIA2) requirement. To be considered for an exemption the veteran must turn in a copy of their DD-214 Member 4 form to the Admissions and Records Office. Remedial coursework can be certified as part of an approved program, but only for students for whom a verifiable need has been established. Remedial and deficiency courses offered online cannot be approved and cannot be certified to VA.

WITHDRAWING AND/OR NON-PUNITIVE GRADES: If you decrease your training time (i.e. drop, withdrawal, or leave school) and we have already processed a payment for tuition and fees, an overpayment can occur. A decrease in your credit hours can also result in changes to your housing allowance and books & supplies stipend. If VA has already issued you a payment for the term a debt will be created on your account.

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PAYING FOR CLASSES: Students using Ch. 31 VR&E or Ch. 33 Post 9/11 at 100% eligibility can attend the semester and defer their tuition and fee payment with the Business Office. Students using Ch. 33 Post 9/11 at less than 100%, Chapter 30, Chapter 1606, or Chapter 35 (DEA) need to make a tuition and fees payment before classes start. Suggested methods of payment include applying for financial aid, applying for scholarships, using the Texas Hazlewood Exemption, using Tuition Assistance (TA), or setting up a payment plan.

FEES NOT COVERED: Certain non-mandatory fees are not covered by VA Educational Benefits, Tuition Assistance (TA), and/or Hazlewood Act Exemption. Those fees include, but are not limited to:

- Student Service Fee (only Hazlewood doesn't cover this)
- Late Registration Fee
- Repeat Course Fees
- Testing Fees, Simulation Fees, PPE Fees, Liability Insurance Fees, etc.
- Books and Course Materials, including the Victor E. Bundle
- Consumables and Commodities (rental car fees, uniforms, tasers, ammunition, etc.)
- Housing and Meal Plan Fees

Each student should be prepared to pay for these fees prior to the semester starting. For more information about how to pay these fees, please contact the Veteran Services Office or the Business Office

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Students using veteran education benefits agree to notify the Grayson College Veteran Services Office if they decide to add, drop, or withdrawal from class(es), or change their declared degree plan/major. If for some reason the student is not eligible for VA or TA payments, the student will be responsible to the payment of their account balance.

By signing below, I am acknowledging that I have read and understand the Grayson College Student Veteran Services Educational Agreement. I also authorize the release of my academic records to the Veterans Administration/Department of Defense by Grayson College.

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Student Signature *Date*