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## Veteran Affairs Benefits Policy

York St John University are committed to the accessibility to education from all walks of life. As a part of this focus, we cover individuals to attend or participate in the course of education whereby a certificate of eligibility is provided from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

This Policy applies to any student on a VA eligible course, who wishes to use their benefits in order to contribute/pay for tuition fees and/or living expenses.

### 1 Covered Individuals

A Covered Individual is any individual who is entitled to educational assistance under Chapter 31, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, or Chapter 33, Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits under VA regulations.

#### 1.1 Participation

At York St John University we permit any covered individual to attend or participate in the course of education during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the University their 'certificate of eligibility' and/or a 'Statement of Benefits' for entitlement to educational assistance under Chapter 31 or 33, and ending on the earlier of the date on which payment from VA is made to the University, or 90 days after the date the institution certified tuition and fees following the receipt of the certificate of eligibility.

#### 1.2 Penalties

York St John University will not impose any penalty, including:

- The assessment of late fees.
- The denial of access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities.
- The requirement that a covered individual borrow additional funds due to the inability to meet his or her financial obligations due to delayed disbursement funding from VA under Chapter 31 or 33.

#### 1.3 Additional Actions

Under statute, York St John University also requires the covered individual to take the following additional actions, in order for us to have the required information to be able to process the benefits.

We ask that the covered individual:

- Submits his or her certificate of eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance no later than the first day of a course of education.
- Provides a document that lists the 'eligibility percentage' for their attendance, so that we can determine if the entire cost of attendance is covered.
- Covers the difference between the amount of his or her financial obligation via the cost of attendance and the amount of the VA education benefit disbursement, whether through federal/private loans or cash.