

FLATHEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE YELLOW RIBBON APPLICATION

Yellow Ribbon Program:

The Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement program (Yellow Ribbon Program) is a provision of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008. This program allows institutions of higher learning (degree granting institutions) to voluntarily enter into an agreement with the VA to fund tuition expenses that exceed in-state tuition rate. The institution can contribute up to 50% of those expenses and VA will match the same amount as the institution.

The Post-9/11 GI Bill® pays in-state tuition and fees. You may have tuition that exceeds that amount if you are being charged out-of-state tuition. If you are enrolled at a Yellow Ribbon participating institution and paying out-of state tuition, **eligible for the Post 9/11 GI BILL® at the 100% tier**, additional funds may be available for your education program without an additional charge to your entitlement.

Flathead Valley Community College is participating in the Yellow Ribbon program, and for the 2019/2020 academic year, will waive up to \$4500 per year (with the VA match, the veteran can receive a benefit up to \$9000 per year).

I am one of the following:

Out -of -State Resident _____

OR

An Out –Of- State Resident, trying to establish In-State Residency _____

You must visit with Paula Betthausen in the Admissions office if you are trying to establish in-state residency and choosing to take a maximum of 7 credits each semester, so that you are eligible for the BAH.

I understand that I must maintain satisfactory academic progress, be in good standing with Flathead Valley Community College, and be eligible for the Post 9/11 GI BILL® at the 100% rate.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

VA Yellow Ribbon Application Process:

If you are eligible for the Post 9/11 GI BILL® at the 100% rate and paying out-of-state tuition you can apply for the Yellow Ribbon (YR) Program on a first come first served basis. You must submit your application **before** the Veteran Affairs Office “certifies” you for your VA benefits for a given semester.

You will generally be notified of your acceptance into the program at the time you turn in your Y.R. application to the Veteran Affairs Office.

The applications are numbered as they are submitted to the Veteran Affairs Office, so as to ensure, first come first served.

The Y.R. waiver will post to your student account AFTER the VA has paid the initial in-state tuition, fees and their Y.R. match.

If you are receiving any other institutional tuition waiver or outside scholarships that are designated for (and fully covers) tuition and fees you are not eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Waiver.

If you are denied acceptance into the Y.R. program, you will be notified in writing with the reason.