Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) GI Bill®
Benefits Processing / Late Fees and Finance Charges

Paperwork Required
- VA form 28-1905 – This document should be sent directly from the VR&E counselor to UW-Stout each semester

Provided UW-Stout Veteran Services receives a VA form 28-1905, a Third Party Contract (TPC) will be applied to the student’s financial account. This generally occurs prior to the initial tuition and fees due date. However, the TPC cannot be applied until the paperwork is submitted and processed.

What does the Chapter 31 VR&E GI Bill cover?
Chapter 31 will generally cover the following tuition and fees:
- Wisconsin Undergraduate and Graduate Resident Tuition (or equivalent costs)
- Customized Instruction Tuition
- Segregated Fees
- Textbook Rental Fees
- eStout (Laptop Lease) Fees
- New Student and Placement Testing Fees
- Course Specific Fees
- Other fees as approved by VR&E counselor

All costs must be approved by the VR&E counselor. If you are wondering about a specific cost, please contact your respective counselor.

Books and Supplies
UW-Stout is generally able to provide most required textbooks to students through our textbook rental program. However, some programs do require students to purchase textbooks. After a VA form 28-1905 has been received and processed, the Veteran Services office will notify the university bookstore. The bookstore will create an account for students to purchase necessary textbooks and supplies. Purchases are invoiced to the VR&E counselor. Be sure to contact your respective counselor prior to making any purchases in order to verify that the purchase will be approved.

Distance education students in a program that utilizes textbook rental should refer to the Instructional Resources Service website for information about how to obtain textbooks: http://www.uwstout.edu/textbooks/.

About the Third Party Contract (TPC)
The application of the TPC is applied as a courtesy to those utilizing veteran benefits, eliminating the requirement to pay approved funds to the university immediately. The posting of the TPC does NOT guarantee those exact funds will be received from the Department of Veterans Affairs.
Accounts with TPC’s will not receive a refund of the third party contract amount until the actual payment has been received by UW-Stout. If financial aid is in excess of the third party contract amount, ONLY the difference will be refunded until the TPC monies are received by UW-Stout.

The TPC does not act as a payment! It only reduces the cost of tuition and fees owed. Any “Due Now” balance MUST be paid to avoid possible late fees and/or finance charges. All students are advised to watch their financial account in AccessStout. Due dates can be found online at http://www.uwstout.edu/stubus/.