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Catalog Addendum – VA Students



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Southern California Health Institute welcomes veterans of our nation's armed forces to study here. Our school is authorized to accept veteran's benefits (Montgomery G.I. Bill) for those students who qualify. VA benefits can cover a significant portion of the cost of attendance, and unlike federal and private student loans, these funds do not have to be repaid. Students and potential students who are veterans of the armed forces should contact their Veterans' Administration representative to see if they qualify for veteran's benefits. There are currently several categories and sub-categories of VA benefits, so students and prospective students must be cognizant of which benefit programs are applicable to them and to the school. Contact information is available at the finance office.

In order to access veteran's benefits, the student or prospective student will have to provide a copy of their form DD-214 (discharge form) to the financial aid office. Students and prospective students seeking to utilize VA benefits to pay for their training must comply with all rules and regulations set forth by the Veterans' Administration for qualification and use of VA benefits. Information regarding these qualifications can be found on the VA website: <http://www.vba.va.gov>. VA benefits must be calculated into a student or prospective students need analysis to determine how much, if any, Title IV Federal Student Aid the individual is qualified to receive. Students and prospective students seeking to utilize VA

benefits must meet with the financial aid office in order to determine how VA benefits might affect their eligibility for Title IV Federal Student Aid.

Transfer Credit & Evaluation

Southern California Health Institute will accept transfer credits if applicable to any course offered within a program of study for students receiving veteran benefits. Students and potential students who have previously completed courses while engaged in military service, or at another learning institution, must complete the "VA Student Prior Postsecondary Transcript Acknowledgement" form at time of admission to SOChi. The student must provide at minimum unofficial transcripts of their prior education within the first ten (10) days of the start of their program of study. If it is determined that transfer credit should be awarded for a course the student is scheduled to attend within that first 10 days, tuition for that course will be returned to the Veteran's Administration. Additionally, all courses that are determined to be applicable to the program of study will be awarded with the clock hours or quarter credit hours of the program being shortened and tuition and fees reduced accordingly. The director of education will verify that the courses already taken are applicable to the student's or prospective student's program of study and that those courses correspond to the SOChi courses for which the student seeks to transfer credit. Credits from a school that is not accredited by an accreditation bureau not

recognized by the U.S. Department of Education will not be considered for transfer.

A student or prospective student seeking to transfer credit must have earned a grade of “C” (2.0) or higher in the courses to be transferred in order to receive transfer credit. Because of the nature of the courses and skills taught by Southern California Health Institute, a practical examination under the direction of one of our instructors may be required in order to demonstrate that the student or prospective student has achieved and maintained proficiency in the subject and technique under consideration. Transfer credit shall not be given to a student or prospective student who fails to pass a required practical examination.

Transfer credits from another institution that are applicable to the new program of study will not be calculated in the grade point average or rate of progress, but will be considered as units attempted and earned in the time frame calculation.

All documentation supporting the evaluation and/or award of transfer credit will be maintained in the student’s academic file.

Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress – Academic Warning & Probation

Progress will be monitored at the end of each module for all students receiving veteran benefits. If at the end of any given evaluation period the student’s grade falls below 2.0

Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) the student will be placed on academic warning for the following evaluation period. If by the end of the academic warning period the student’s grade is not raised to 2.0 CGPA the Veterans Administration will be notified and benefits will be interrupted. If the student fails the academic warning period, he or she will be placed on academic probation for another module, during which the student will be responsible for tuition and fees. If by the end of the academic probation period, the student fails to achieve a minimum of 2.0 GPA and/or an overall attendance of 80%, he or she will be withdrawn from the school.

Attendance – Warning, Probation & Consecutive Absence

Attendance will be monitored for all students receiving veteran benefits. Students will be placed on attendance warning if at the end of any evaluation period (module), they fall below 80% overall attendance. If by the end of the attendance warning period the student’s attendance is not raised to an overall attendance of 80% the Veterans Administration will be notified and benefits will be interrupted. If a student fails the attendance warning period, they will be placed on attendance probation, during which the student will be responsible for tuition and fees.

Please sign below to acknowledge you have read and understand this catalog addendum.

Student Name:

Signature: _____

Date: _____