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## **SECTION 3: FINANCIAL SERVICES**

#### **VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) BENEFITS**

**REVISION:** The **Veterans Administration (VA) Benefits** section of the catalog has been updated. (Catalog, page 33; rev. 08.04.25)

# **Veterans Administration (VA) Benefits**

If you believe you are eligible for Veterans Administration (VA) benefits, please contact the Financial Aid Office at your local campus as far in advance of your scheduled class start date as possible.

#### **GI Bill®**

Benefits may be awarded for the pursuit of associate, bachelor, or graduate degrees from colleges and universities as well as courses leading to a certificate or diploma from a technical or vocational school. VA students receiving education benefits will not be able to be paid Basic Allowance for Housing during break periods.

## **Montgomery GI Bill® (Chapter 30)**

This program offers educational benefits for students entering active duty for the first time after June 30, 1985, and meeting other criteria as determined by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). This benefit pays a monthly stipend based on enrollment status while the student attends school.

### **Montgomery GI Bill® - Selected Reserve**

MGIB-SR program provides education and training benefits to eligible members of the Selected Reserve, including the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Coast Guard Reserve, and the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard.

#### **Dependent's Education Assistance (Chapter 35)**

This program offers educational benefits for spouses and children of veterans who are permanently and totally disabled due to a service-related condition or of Veterans who died while on active duty or as a result of a service-related condition.

#### **Post-9/11 (Chapter 33)**

This program offers educational benefits for active-duty veterans and their family members who served after September 10, 2001. Based on the student's percentage of eligibility, this benefit could pay tuition, fees, books, and a Monthly Allowance for Housing while the student attends school. San Joaquin Valley College participates in the federal Yellow Ribbon program for students using Chapter 33 benefits.

#### **The Yellow Ribbon Program**

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

Only individuals entitled to the maximum benefit rate (based on service requirements) may receive this funding. The maximum contribution from San Joaquin Valley College is \$2,625 per year per student. The VA awarding cycle is August 1-July 31st of each calendar year. \*Yellow Ribbon is not available at all locations.

#### Compliance with VA's 85/15 rule

San Joaquin Valley College limits student enrollment to 85% veteran enrollment per program of study in accordance with U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. In the event that a veteran wishes to enroll in a program that has already reached the 85% cap, he or she may do that but will not be eligible for VA funding. Chapter 35 and 31 students may still enroll even if the 85% cap has been realized.

In accordance with Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e), this school adopts the following additional provisions for any students using U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11 G.I. Bill® (Ch. 33) or Veterans Readiness & Employment (Ch. 31) benefits, while payment to the institution is pending from the VA. This school will not:

- Prevent the students' enrollment;
- Assess a late penalty fee to;
- Require secure student alternative or additional funding;
- Deny their access to any resources (access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities) available to other students who have satisfied their tuition and fee bills to the institution.

However, to qualify for this provision, such students may be required to:

- Produce the Certificate of Eligibility by the first day of class;
- Provide written request to be certified;
- Provide additional information needed to properly certify the enrollment as described in other institutional policies

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government website at www.benefits.va.gov/gibill. Students may also contact the Veterans Affairs Education Office at 1-888-442-4551. Please see a Financial Services Advisor to determine if the school participates.

## **SECTION 4: INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES**

# NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT/ASSAULT PREVENTION POLICIES

**REVISION:** The contact information in the **NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT/ASSAULT PREVENTION POLICIES** section of the catalog has been updated. (Catalog, page 42; rev. 08.04.25)

# NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT/ASSAULT PREVENTION POLICIES

SJVC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or any other protected characteristic in its education programs and activities. Pursuant to Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), SJVC's policy against sex discrimination extends to student admissions and employment. SJVC also prohibits retaliation against an individual who reports, submits a complaint, or who otherwise participates in good faith in any matter related to SJVC's anti-discrimination policies. Any inquiries about SJVC's non-discrimination policies or the application of Title IX rules may be addressed to the individual identified below, the U.S. Department of Education's Assistant Secretary of the Office of Civil Rights, or both. **Title IX Coordinator/Person Designated to Handle Inquiries:** 

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# SECTION 7: BACCALAUREATE DEGREE, ASSOCIATE DEGREE, AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

#### **ELECTRICAL TECHNOLOGY**

**REVISION:** An error to the **Graduate Employment** section for the **Electrical Technology** certificate and associate degree program pages have been corrected. (Catalog, pages 94 and 138; rev. 08.04.25)

#### **Graduate Employment**

The following job categories are considered in-field to calculate the graduate employment rates required by the state of California for graduates of the Electrical Technology program. Detailed information for each Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) can be found at onetonline.org.

- Electricians (47-2111.00)
- Electric Motor, Power Tool, and Related Repairers (49-2092.00)
- Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment (49-2094.00)
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technologists and Technicians (17-3023.00)
- Helpers Electricians (47-3013.00)
- Helpers, Construction Trades, All Other (47-3019.00)
- Helpers Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers (49-9098.00)
- Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific Products (41-4011.00)
- Security and Fire Alarm System Installers (49-2098.00)
- Solar Thermal Installers and Technicians (47-4099.02)
- Signal and Track Switch Repairers (49-9097.00)
- First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers (47-1011.00)

#### TRADES STUDIES

**REVISION:** An error to the **Graduate Employment** section for the **Trades Studies** program page has been corrected. (Catalog, page 116; rev. 08.04.25)

#### **Graduate Employment**

The following job categories are considered in-field to calculate the graduate employment rates required by the state of California for graduates of the Trades Studies program. Detailed information for each Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) can be found at <a href="http://www.onetonline.org/">http://www.onetonline.org/</a>.

#### **Electrical Technology Certificate Track:**

- Electricians (47-2111.00)
- Electric Motor, Power Tool, and Related Repairers (49-2092.00)
- Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment (49-2094.00)
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technologists and Technicians (17-3023.00)
- Helpers Electricians (47-3013.00)
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