

schools; \$10,000 for students training at flight schools; and \$8,500 for students training at correspondence schools. Additionally, the entitlement charge for individuals in receipt of reimbursement for taking a licensing, certification, or national test was one month (rounded to the nearest whole month) for each \$1,460.00 received.

Sections 3313, 3315, and 3315A of title 38, United States Code (U.S.C.), direct VA to increase the maximum tuition and fee and entitlement charge amounts each academic year (beginning August 1) based on the most recent increase determined under title 38 U.S.C. 3015(h). Increases determined under 38 U.S.C. 3015(h) are effective October 1 of each calendar year. As such, the increase determined under 38 U.S.C. 3015(h), which was effective October 1 of the previous calendar year, will be the most recent increase in rates at the beginning of each academic year.

**2012–2013 Academic Year Maximum Tuition and Fee Amounts**

As of August 1, 2012 (beginning of the 2012–2013 academic year), the most recent increase determined under 38 U.S.C. 3015(h) was a 3.3 percent increase, which was effective October 1, 2011. VA calculated the maximum tuition and fee and entitlement charge amounts listed below for training pursued under the Post-9/11 GI Bill that begins after July 31, 2012, and before August 1, 2013, using the 3.3 percent increase.

**2012–2013 ACADEMIC YEAR**

Type of school	Actual net cost of tuition and fees not to exceed
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**Post-9/11 GI Bill Maximum Tuition and Fee Amounts**

Public .....	In-State/Resident Charges.
Private/Foreign .....	\$18,077.50.
Vocational Flight .....	\$10,330.00.
Correspondence .....	\$8,780.50.

**Post 9/11 Entitlement Charge Amount for Tests**

Licensing and Certification Tests.	VA will charge one month entitlement (rounded to the nearest whole month) for each \$1,508.18 received.
National Tests .....	

**2013–2014 Academic Year Maximum Tuition and Fee Amounts**

As of August 1, 2013 (beginning of the 2013–2014 academic year), the 6.2

percent increase determined under 38 U.S.C. 3015(h), which was effective October 1, 2012, will be the most recent increase. VA calculated the maximum tuition and fee and entitlement charge amounts listed below for training pursued under the Post-9/11 GI Bill that begins after July 31, 2013, and before August 1, 2014, using the 6.2 percent increase.

**2013–2014 ACADEMIC YEAR**

Type of school	Actual net cost of tuition and fees not to exceed
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**Post-9/11 GI Bill Maximum Tuition and Fee Amounts**

Public .....	In-State/Resident Charges.
Private/Foreign .....	\$19,198.31.
Vocational Flight .....	\$10,970.46.
Correspondence .....	\$9,324.89.

**Post 9/11 Entitlement Charge Amount for Tests**

Licensing and Certification Tests.	VA will charge one month entitlement (rounded to the nearest whole month) for each \$1,601.69 received.
National Tests .....	

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**John R. Gingrich,**  
*Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**National Academic Affiliations Council, Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that a meeting of the National Academic Affiliations Council (NAAC) will be held on January 10–11, 2013, in the Office of Academic Affiliations Conference Room 870, 1800 G Street NW., Washington, DC. The sessions will begin at 8:00 a.m. each day and adjourn at 5:00 p.m. on January 10 and at 1:00 p.m. on January 11.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary on matters affecting partnerships between VA and its academic affiliates.

On January 10, the Council will review the status of recommendations from its previous meetings; receive a report from the NAAC Joint Venture Task Force; hear from Veterans Health

Administration (VHA) officials; and engage in discussions about mental health service enhancements and implications for mental health education. On January 11, the Council will hear from officials of the VHA Office of Research and Development and continue its discussion of opportunities and challenges in academic affiliation relationships. The Council will receive public comments at 12:30 p.m.

A sign-in sheet for those who want to give comments will be available at the meeting. Individuals who speak are invited to submit a 1–2 page summary of their comments at the time of the meeting for inclusion in the official meeting record. Oral presentations will be limited to five minutes or less, depending on the number of participants. Interested parties may also provide written comments for review by the Council to Gloria J. Holland, Ph.D., Special Assistant for Policy and Planning, Office of Academic Affiliations (10A2D), VA, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or by email to [Gloria.Holland@va.gov](mailto:Gloria.Holland@va.gov). Any member of the public wishing to attend or seeking additional information should contact Dr. Holland by email or by phone at (202) 461–9490.

Dated: December 18, 2012.  
 By Direction of the Secretary.

**Vivian Drake,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Presumption of Exposure to Herbicides for Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Not Supported**

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On May 20, 2011, at the request of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the Institute of Medicine (IOM) of the National Academy of Sciences issued a report titled, “Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans and Agent Orange Exposure.” The IOM reviewed a wide range of data sources including peer-reviewed literature, exposure and transport modeling, interviews with veterans, ship deck logs, and other government documents, and concluded that there is insufficient evidence to determine whether Blue Water Navy Veterans were exposed to Agent Orange-associated herbicides during the Vietnam War. After careful review of the IOM report, the Secretary determines that the evidence available