

Name: _____

Student number: _____

Statement of Understanding for Students with VA Educational Benefits

The VA School Certifying Official (SCO) assists veterans, reservists, guardsmen and dependents of veterans in processing their educational benefits at Southern Union State Community College (SUSCC). The SCO will certify enrollment for students with VA Educational Benefits to the VA. The SCO provides information about this college and is a point of contact for students receiving said VA educational benefits.

Students must read this Statement of Understanding and sign acknowledging receipt of the Student Reference Guide for VA Educational Benefits at SUSCC to use VA Educational Benefits at Southern Union State Community College.

I may also download a copy of Student Reference Guide for VA Educational Benefits at SUSCC online under the Financial Aid tab at www.suscc.edu.

For **enrollment certification** for VA, I understand that:

- SUSCC School Certifying Official must have all appropriate documents stating my educational benefits.
- Only courses required for my declared program of study at SUSCC will be certified. Repeated courses to obtain a better passing grade will not be certified nor will additional electives not required for declared degree plan.
- I must attend all classes in which I am enrolled. My instructors will verify attendance. Any change in enrollment will be reported to the VA.
- Class beginning and ending dates, as well as the number of credit hours registered, will affect my monthly housing allowance.
- Each semester notification of my enrollment will be sent via email within 30 days of registration. Additional VA information, school announcements or notifications will be sent via email as well.
- To cancel my enrollment certification for a particular semester, I will notify SCO via email before beginning of term.

For the **Alabama GI Dependent Scholarship Program**, I understand that:

- Books (not supplies) may be charged on specific dates posted in the bookstore each semester.
- Financial Aid will be available for us in the bookstore at least 24 hours after completed registration.
- I must pay for any developmental/remedial coursework.
- I must pay for Building and Facility fees.

For **Post 9/11 or Chapter 33**, I understand that:

- The VA will send my book stipend directly to me not the school.
- I must pay any expense not covered per entitlement listed on Certificate of Eligibility (COE) letter from VA. (Examples could be 50% eligibility, out of degree plan course, etc.)

For **Veteran Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment (VR&E) or Chapter 31**, I understand that:

- I must submit a current authorization (VA form 22-1905) in order to charge tuition, fees, books and/or supplies.
- Books and/or supplies may be charged on specific dates posted in the bookstore each semester.

For any other GI Bill® recipient, I understand that **SUSCC does not participate in Advanced Payment Plan** and I am responsible to pay all charges.

All students are encouraged to apply for federal aid online using Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) www.fafsa.ed.gov.

I have read and understand this Statement of Understanding. Also, I have received a copy of Student Reference Guide for VA Educational Benefits at SUSCC.

Signed: _____ Date: _____