

**Date:** July 26, 2017  
**From:** Dr. Craig Swenson  
**To:** Ashford University VA Students  
**Subject:** A Message From the President | Ashford University Receives Approval for VA Benefits



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Dear Students –

As promised, we are providing updates on the status of our ongoing actions to protect your right to use GI Bill benefits at Ashford University.

As we have stated in previous communications we have been pursuing every available option to ensure our veteran students’ GI Bill benefits are not disrupted. **As a result of those efforts, I am pleased to report that Ashford University recently received approval from the state of Arizona to provide GI Bill benefits to its students.**

We anticipate working with the Federal VA to assign a facility code. We believe this is the last step in the administrative process. This action should ensure you will continue to receive the educational benefits to which you are entitled without any disruption.

We appreciate the patience and support of our dedicated veteran students during this time. We will continue to keep you informed of updates as they are available.

If you are concerned about the misinformation provided to you by the VA regarding certification of your benefits for attendance at Ashford University, or the threat to your educational benefits that has been spread by these miscommunications, the White House has established a **hotline**, available at 855-948-2311, to give veterans an outlet to voice concerns about the Federal VA and other federal programs.

Sincerely,

**CRAIG D. SWENSON, PH.D.** / PRESIDENT AND CEO

Ashford University

