

## **FINANCIAL AID VA SHOPPING SHEET FAQ**

### ***What is the Financial Aid VA Shopping Sheet?***

The Financial Aid Shopping Sheet is a consumer tool Augusta Technical College is using to notify students who file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and are using Veterans Affairs Educational Benefits. It is a standardized form that is designed to simplify the information that prospective students receive about costs and financial aid so that they can make informed decisions.

### ***Will all veteran students have access to the Financial Aid Shopping Sheet?***

Only students who file a FAFSA and indicate that they are using VA Education Benefits will have access to the Financial Aid Shopping Sheet.

### **Where will I find my Financial Aid Shopping Sheet?**

You can access it by going to SMARTWEB from [www.augustatech.edu](http://www.augustatech.edu). Select BannerWeb and login using your student email and password. Select "Admissions, Student and Financial Aid". Select "Financial Aid", "Shopping Sheet", and "current aid year".

### **What is the Estimated Cost of Attendance?**

The estimated cost of attendance (COA) is intended to provide you with an idea of what it will cost you to attend Augusta Tech as a full-time student, enrolling for three terms: Fall, Spring, and Summer. The Cost of Attendance includes an estimated budget amount for tuition and fees, room and board, books, transportation and miscellaneous personal expenses. **Your own expenses will vary depending on a variety of factors, including enrollment, housing and lifestyle choices.**

### **Why aren't my military-related education benefits included on my Shopping Sheet?**

Veteran -related benefits are not included on the Shopping Sheet because the amounts cannot be determined until you have applied to the Veterans Administration and received a Certificate of Eligibility.

**What are the “Net Costs” on the Shopping Sheet?**

The net cost on the Financial Aid Shopping Sheet reflects a calculation showing the estimated cost of attendance minus the total grants and scholarships awarded to you based on your eligibility after the filing the FAFSA. It does not reflect the amount which you are responsible to pay after your VA educational benefits are applied (POST 911) and it does not factor in personal choices that may increase or reduce your actual cost of attendance.

**What do the statistics about Augusta Tech on the right side of the Shopping Sheet mean?**

The metrics related to graduation rate, loan default rate (we do not participate in the federal student aid loan program) and median borrowing reflect average statistics for full-time students. Your own experience may be different.

**Who do I contact if I have questions?**

If you have any questions about your military-related education benefits, please contact any of the our military services contacts.

***Military Services Contacts***

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