Taking Full Advantage of Education Benefits

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First thing to remember:

You are interviewing the school as much as the school is interviewing you. You want to find a school that best fits your needs academically, personally, and career wise.
What to Look For

- Accreditation
  - Regional
  - National
  - Programs

- Graduation Rates
  - What percentage of students graduate?

- What happens after graduation?
  - What types of jobs do students who graduate get? What is the average salary?
  - What graduate schools do students go to?

- GI Bill Comparison Tool
  - https://www.vets.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool

- College Scorecard
  - https://www.vets.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool
Types of Schools

• The school you choose needs to fit your interests, career goals, financial situation and other factors. Schools fall into these basic types:
  • Public versus private.
  • Four-year colleges and universities.
  • Two-year community and junior colleges.
  • Career, technical, vocational or trade schools.
What to Avoid

• Schools that have warning flags on the Comparison Tool
• Any school who will try to talk you into registering on the spot.
• Schools that make bigger promises than they deliver