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**Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs Launches Online Search Tool
for Approved Educational Programs**

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK – April 14, 2025 – The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA), through its State Approving Agency (SAA), proudly announces the launch of a new web-based tool that allows veterans, service members, and their families to search for approved educational and training programs across the state.

This powerful new feature, available through the ODVA website, or at <https://saa.odva.ok.gov/Utility/SaaApproved.php>, enables users to quickly and securely search by program type—such as "Welding", "Biology", or "Business"—to view a comprehensive list of institutions currently authorized for VA education benefits. Each listing includes essential details like program name, institution name, location, and more, ensuring veterans can make informed choices about their educational and career pathways.

The system was developed with modern usability and accessibility in mind, using a simple intuitive display of results via a secure and mobile-friendly interface. Users can conduct multiple searches and access supporting links to key VA resources such as the GI Bill® Comparison Tool and VA's official education benefits site.

Executive Director James Bynum noted, "At ODVA, we are committed to eliminating barriers to access and opportunity for Oklahoma's veteran community. This new tool reflects our dedication to innovation, transparency, and practical service. Veterans now have at their fingertips a trustworthy resource to help them navigate educational opportunities that are officially approved in our state and ready to serve their goals."

This initiative reflects ODVA's ongoing effort to integrate technology and policy in support of Oklahoma's veterans and their dependents, enabling them to easily access the benefits they have earned through service to our nation.



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State Approving Agency Administrator, Dr. Brint Montgomery added, "This is the next step in the SAA offering its years of carefully cultivated data to those veterans and families seeking further education. We're proud to finally make this information accessible, usable, and empowering for those who've served."

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About the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs:

The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs is dedicated to ensuring that all Oklahoma veterans and their families receive the highest quality services and support. Through a variety of programs, ODVA provides benefits assistance, and other essential services and programs to enhance the well-being of veterans across the state.

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