The Peer Advisors for Veteran Education program is underway at the University of Washington Tacoma! Our Peer Advisors are hard at work connecting with the new undergraduate student veterans. We have 9 Peer Advisors actively assisting over 140 students in their transition to higher education.

Meet our Peer Advisor Team!

Olivia Owusa – Army Veteran; Sophomore, Psychology
Chris Burd – Army Veteran; Sophomore, Business
James Stevens – Army Veteran; Sophomore, Computer Science
Kyle Williams – Marine Corps Veteran; Junior, Information Technology
Eric Ballentine – Army Veteran; Junior, Urban Studies
Suvunna Phouaypha – Army Veteran; Junior, Information Technology
Thomas Meyer – Army Reservist; Senior, Social Welfare
Kris Mason – Air Force Veteran; Sophomore, Writing Studies
Ian Johnson – Army Veteran; Sophomore, Information Technology

Join the team by contacting Andy Flanagan in the Veteran and Military Services Office!

Veteran & Military Benefits

This is a reminder to send your requests for VA benefit certification for Winter Quarter 2017 to the Office of Veteran & Military Services if you’re receiving the following VA Benefits: Chapter 30 MGIB, Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation, Post 9/11 Chapter 33, or 1606.

Post 911 chapter 33 VA recipients, we do the certification process in two parts:

✔ Firstly, you inform us you want to be certified for credits
✔ Secondly, your tuition & fees are certified starting the third week of the quarter

Note: You will receive no late fees, penalties, or holds on registration due to tuition funds coming in after the tuition deadline. You will receive an E-Mail confirmation each time we update your certification.
Meet our VMS Student Veteran Workers!

Our student employees are vital to the success of UWT. Each of the students exhibits a remarkable resilience as they balance work, studies, and their personal lives. We want to thank them for their hard work!

Anna Howell
Senior
Communications
Air Force Veteran

Soloman Harvey
Junior
Environmental Science
Marine Corps Veteran

Chris Burd
Sophomore
Business
Army Veteran

Ian Johnson
Sophomore
Information Technology
Army Veteran

Know a veteran who wants to go back to school?
Contact Jorge Martinez!
Jorge is an admissions specialist for UWT. Jorge served in the Marine Corps and has a vast knowledge of the admissions process and veterans benefits.
Jorgemm3@uw.edu
253-692-5723

Midterm Study Break!
Come and enjoy pizza as you prepare for midterms!
This will be a great opportunity to network and take a break before midterms.
Monday, February 6th
12:25-1:25
MAT 206
Student Veteran Organization

The Student Veterans of America (SVA) will be hosting their national conference in Anaheim, California from January 5th, through January 8th. The University of Washington Tacoma will be sending two student representatives; Chris Burd and Shannon Sigmon.

In addition to the national conference, the regional conference will be held April 26th and 29th, at Bellingham Technical College.

If you are interested in attending, please contact the VMS Office.

Stay tuned for future events and conferences!

Find us on Dawgden!

Attention Veterans! You Are Eligible for Aid!

To be considered for any type of financial aid, including scholarships, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. The FAFSA can be completed at any time, but for priority consideration you should make sure you submit it by January 15. We recommend that you submit your FAFSA no later than January 1 to ensure processing by the deadline. If you complete the FAFSA after this date, we will still try to meet your financial needs, but first priority goes to those who complete it by January 15.

Go to www.fafsa.ed.govt to fill out your FAFSA

- Note: The school code (required in step 6 on the FAFSA) for all UW campuses is: 003798

For more information please go to www.tacoma.uw.edu/uwt/financial-aid

Contact the Office of Student Financial Aid at uwtfa@uw.edu or 253-692-4374

Veteran Wall of Fame

Drop off a picture to MAT 206 of you in the military and we’ll post it on our Veteran Wall of Fame!
Check out Collateral!

Collateral is a new online journal based at the University of Washington Tacoma, and we've just published our inaugural issue at www.collateraljournal.com.

Our creative work (poetry + fiction + essay + visual art) spotlights the experiences that exist in the space around military life and service. Come visit!

Check out poems by Jehanne Dubrow, Ivy Kleinbart, Lisa Stice, Maj. Wesley Moerbe, Ann Iverson and Jennifer Conlon, fiction from Stephen O’Shea, and essays by Andrea Wuorenmaa, Francisco M. Martínezcuello, and Dennis Humphrey. Celebrate these authors and the range of perspectives they capture.

For more information please contact Abby Murray, lecturer in writing studies and editor of Collateral Journal.

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VIBE Events!

The Veterans Incubator for Better Entrepreneurship (VIBE) events for Winter Quarter 2017:

Motivational Modays with Nelson and Willis (Events Vary)
- Every Monday beginning January 9th, from 12:30-1:30, at the UW Tacoma Tioga Library Building (TLB) 307

Four Block Tuesdays with Monica McNeal – Career Counseling
- Every Tuesday beginning February 7th, from 12:00-3:00, at the UW Tacoma Tioga Library Building (TLB) 307

Brown Bag Series (Guests Vary)
- Every Wednesday beginning January 11th, from 12:30-1:30, at the UW Tacoma Tioga Library Building (TLB) 307

Chillin’ with Tom (Doughnut Day & Mentor Office Hours)
- Every Thursday from 9:00-11:00am, at the UW Tacoma Tioga Library Building (TLB) 307