Fall Quarter Welcome Event!

Welcome to fall quarter at UW Tacoma! Join us at the VMRC as we welcome our new & returning veteran and military-connected students to the University of Washington Tacoma campus. This event will provide you an opportunity to meet other veteran and military-connected students, network, join the Student Veterans Organization, and learn more about PAVE!

Wednesday | October 4, 2017 | 5:00-6:30 PM | VMRC TLB 307A
Contact: Eric Ballentine, Vet Corps Navigator - VetNav@uw.edu

The University of Washington Tacoma is proud to continue presenting student veterans with our UW Challenge Coins!

The challenge coin symbolizes a military tradition and forges a bond between the veteran and military population here at UWT.

Each student veteran will be given a coin to commemorate their service.

Join our fellow Huskies in the yearly tradition of welcoming new students to campus on Friday, Sep 29 from 12:30 - 3pm in the center of campus!

Students, faculty and supporters will meet at the Grand Staircase for a brief welcome ceremony. Following the ceremony, there will be a celebration with food, music, t-shirts plus a Community Fair featuring local businesses and non-profits.

For additional information, call 253-692-5753 or email: eventuwt@uw.edu
Introducing ROTC at UW Tacoma

For years now, the University of Washington Tacoma has taken pride in being designated a “military-friendly school” in relation to thousands of others across the country. In addition to the various leadership programs offered to service members, veterans, and their families, UW Tacoma also participates in the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) in partnership with Pacific Lutheran University which is open to all students across various campuses.

With a diverse student body, the Lute Battalion takes pride in the leadership development of future Army Officers. This year, UW Tacoma ROTC students will be establishing a club focused on community service and engagement, campus involvement, as well as participating in recreational activities and sporting events to expand the ROTC presence throughout campus and create a strong understanding of what the program is all about.

Established and granted by the U.S. Congress in 2001, the PLU Army ROTC program comprises of students from the University of Washington Tacoma, Pacific Lutheran University, University of Puget Sound, Saint Martin’s University, Pierce College, Tacoma Community College, Green River Community College and South Puget Sound Community College.

The ROTC program offers 1-4 years scholarships and is open to all students. Additional benefit programs are also available for veterans, Active Duty members, as well as Army Reserve and National Guard members. Students will receive official transcripts with Military Science Credits for transfer to UW Tacoma and upon successful completion, will earn a commission as an Officer upon graduation. For more information about the club or future events, email Cadet Aaron Piega at apiega11@uw.edu.
The Student Veteran Organization (SVO) is a registered student organization geared towards veterans and active-duty military, their families and other supportive members of the community. The group is also welcoming of military spouses and dependents, who themselves have had distinct experiences, ones that aren’t necessarily common to the rest of the UW Tacoma student population.

Contact Chris Burd, SVO President for more info

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Drop-In Academic Advising

Academic Advisors will be available to continuing freshman and pre-majors in the VMRC (TLB 307A) on Mon, Sep 18 and 19 from 2 – 3pm.

New students on campus must visit the Academic Advising Center in GWP 102 for assistance or contact: uwtac@uw.edu

U.S. Navy 242nd Birthday!

On October 13, 1775, the 2nd Continental Congress established our U.S. Navy! Come to the VMRC on Friday, Oct 13 between 12:30 – 1:30pm to celebrate with some birthday cake!
Hello,

My name is Kris and I am the Team Leader for our Peer Advisor for Veteran Education (PAVE) program. It is an honor to continue serving our veteran community on campus and look forward to seeing many of you in class! I am an Air Force veteran who worked on military aircraft during my service and met a lot of amazing people during my active duty tenure. It fills me with pride to accept the role of Team Leader and work with an amazing Peer Advisor crew who cares about our veterans on and off campus.

I started college at UW Tacoma in 2015 and didn’t know what to expect upon entering my first class since high school. The high up tempo of aircraft maintenance never prepared me for the classroom and all I knew was “go, go, go!” when it came to getting things done. It took many months, but I adapted to the college lifestyle of studying and taking the time to deeply understand what I am learning in each class.

The U.S. Air Force possesses three core values: excellence, integrity, and service before self. While these core values guide each Airman on active duty, they still guide many when transitioning back to civilian life and into their future. These core values led me to join the PAVE team as a Peer Advisor and allow me to serve my fellow veterans on campus. Transitioning is a major challenge for veterans who come to UW Tacoma. Our PAVE team will always be there to help our veteran community and congratulate them at the finishing line on graduation day.

Go Huskies!