



Student Veteran Services Newsletter

August 2021 Edition

HEY, IT'S FALL Y'ALL!

It is hard to believe that we have made it to the start of another semester! I am excited to welcome everyone back to campus in just over a week. I look forward to seeing you all on campus and in the Student Veteran Resource Center.

As you can see in the Events section, we have several fun and informative events planned to help get the semester started off in the right direction. Please feel welcome and encouraged to attend. On the plus side, we'll have FOOD at every event!

While I try to keep my remarks lighthearted and fun, I also have to keep it real. Please stay up to date with the [Chancellor's COVID-19 updates and expectations](#). I know we are not currently where we want to be, but if we work together, follow the guidelines, and have grace and respect for each other, we can get past this!

Best wishes,

Jennifer

GI Bill® Reminder

If you are planning to use VA Education Benefits, don't forget to complete your online certification request form for fall!

You should complete [the form](#) as soon as possible. If you are new to Appalachian or new to using benefits, reach out to me (coffeyjd1@appstate.edu) so I can make sure you have everything you need.

If you do not plan to use benefits simply answer "NO" to the first question.

EVENTS

Aug 9-14:
(Various Times)

Welcome to App Events
([Info](#))

Aug 11:
(1:00-3:00 PM)

SVRC Open House - 251
Plemmons Student Union ([Info](#))

Aug 12:
(1:00 - 3:00 PM)

VA Info Session - 114 Belk
Library ([Info](#))

Aug 15:
(2:00 - 5:00 PM)

Club Expo - Holmes Convocation
Center ([Info](#))

Aug 15:
(5:00 - 7:00 PM)

Welcome (Back) BBQ - Sanford
Mall ([Info](#))

August 16:

First Day of Classes!

Additional events and info are posted on the [SVS calendar](#).

WE'RE HIRING!

There are several open positions in the SVRC that I need to fill quickly.

Please [email me](#) for more information!

Navigating Drop / Add

The drop/add period runs from August 16 through August 20, and is the period during which you can adjust your schedule (up or down in hours and/or course swaps) before it is locked in. If you are using VA Education Benefits and you change your schedule, please be sure to notify our office so that we can review your file for the VA. If you are concerned about what impact a change in your schedule might have on your VA Education Benefits, please reach out to our office before you make the adjustment(s).

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Appalachian offers a plethora of academic support resources. If you feel like you could use some additional support, if you are struggling to find a comfortable rhythm, or if you just need pointers for studying, conducting research, or writing papers - have no fear! Our academic support network is **STRONG** and **READY** to assist with all your needs: Here are a few of the many services available to you **FREE** of charge:

Student Learning Center

- Tutoring Services
- Learning Labs
- Study Strategies
- Personal Consultations
- Advising FAQ

University Writing Center

Office of Student Success / Student Resources

Belk Library & Information Commons

- Library Guide for Student Veterans

As noted above, all of the services listed here are **FREE**, and I encourage you to look into them when/if they are needed.



Visit our Engage site to learn more!
Connect with us on Facebook & Discord
You can also email us to get involved!

SVS Campus Partnerships

SVS works closely with several departments on campus, but the two departments below are by far our closest allies. Each week, our liaisons from Career Development and the University Library spend time in the SVRC to provide support and assistance to anyone who needs it. When they aren't lending a helping hand, they spend their time visiting and fellowshiping with us.

Career Development - Geralyn Mitchell

Every Tuesday @ 12:00pm

Offering support with:

- resumes
- cover letters
- interview prep
- internship and job search
- online branding

careers.appstate.edu

appstate.joinhandshake.com

University Library - Emma Sobczak-Schell

Every Wednesday @ 9:00am & 1:00pm

Offering support with:

- Research
- Editing/Citations
- Student Veteran Library Guide
- Accessing Library Resources

FREE COFFEE, SODAS & SNACKS!

There are snacks, sodas, drip coffee, and **FREE COFFEE CARDS** available for pick up in the SVRC. Stop by the SVRC for yours! Each coffee card "purchases" a 12oz cup of drip coffee from Crossroads Coffee House on the first floor of the Plemmons Student Union (PSU).

If you haven't visited the SVRC yet you can find us in Suite 251 of the PSU. Feel free to call 828.262.2722 if you need directions!

The 2021/2022 FAFSA is still OPEN!

APPLY TODAY