Student Veteran Services Newsletter

November 2020 Edition

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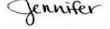
It is hard to believe the fall semester is already nearing its end. The last day of regular classes is November 24, Reading Day is December 2, and the final exam period is December 3 - 9. In that vein, I encourage you to explore the many academic resources that are available as you prepare for the end of the term.

Registration for the spring semester is coming up NEXT WEEK. Please review the "PRIORITY REGISTRATION" information provided in the next column. Also, if you plan to use VA Education Benefits (GI Bill ®) in the spring, you will need to complete an online certification request. Those forms will be made available on November 9, and we will send out an email as soon as they are available for completion. Please complete the form AFTER you have registered for classes.

Veterans Week is also next week! While I regret that I can't throw a big party and provide you all with food and goodies in the SVRC every day (thanks a lot COVID), I have been working hard to identify and schedule alternative content for the week. I have created a webpage you can visit for more information. Also, registration is open for the FIRST EVER Veterans Week 5K. Registration will close on November 4, and the event will take place during Veterans Week (Nov 9 – 14).

One last reminder, if you are graduating in December, don't forget to stop by the SVRC to pick up your **Graduation Honor Cord!** If you can't stop by, be sure to email me your address and I will mail it to you.

Happy Veterans Day and Happy Thanksgiving!





ACADEMICS

As final exams and assignments continue to get closer and closer, please don't forget that there are many resources available. The Library staff and the folks in the writing center can help you with research projects and term papers. The folks in the Student Learning Center can help you hone your study strategies for final exams. We also offer tutoring and other support services to help you finish strong!

- Student Learning Center
 - o Final Exam Plan
 - o <u>Tutoring Services</u>
 - o Learning Labs
 - o Study Strategies
 - Personal Consultations
 - o Advising FAQ
- University Writing Center
- Office of Student Success / Student Resources
- Belk Library & Information Commons
 - o <u>Library Guide for Student Veterans</u>

PRIORITY REGISTRATION

Early registration opens on November 9, 2020, with priority registration beginning November 11. Be sure you complete required advising BEFORE early registration begins so that you don't miss your opportunity to register. Academic advisors will provide the early registration PIN numbers to all eligible students. If you don't have your PIN and you have completed advising, reach out to Bob or Michelle. On November 11, juniors will register at 8am, sophomores at 11 am, and freshman at 2 pm.

IN OTHER NEWS:

UPCOMING VIRTUAL/REMOTE EVENTS

All events are also posted on the <u>SVRC Events</u> Calendar.

- SVA Monthly Meeting
 - o 11/04 at 7:00 PM
 - o Via Zoom, Password: 790254
- Military Career Transition Day (hosted by NC State)
 - o November 6 from 9:00 AM 4:30 PM
 - o Register and find out more here.
- Title IX: Who are they and what do they do?
 - o 11/09 at 12:30 PM
 - o Via Zoom
- Virtual Veterans Day Observation
 - o 11/11 at 11:00 AM
 - o Content will be posted <u>here</u>
- Library Information and Support with Emma
 - o 11/11 at 1:00 in the SVRC
- Your Emotional Ruck Managing stress and reducing stressors.
 - o 11/12 at 1:00 PM
 - o Via Zoom
- Resume/Cover Letter Workshop with Geralyn
 - o 11/13 from 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM
 - o Drop in via Zoom

VETERANS WEEK!

We aren't going to let COVID-19 prevent us from celebrating Veterans Week. Visit our <u>Veterans Week website</u> to see what we have going on. Be sure to check the site regularly for updates and new content!

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

In light of the many challenges we all face, especially in the wake of COVID-19, App State offers several support programs for members of the Appalachian Community:

- Mountaineer Meal Share
- Mountaineer Emergency Grants
- Appalachian Cares
- FREE COVID Testing

ADMISSIONS REQUEST – SUPPORTING FUTURE MOUTAINEERS

The Office of Admissions has asked me to reach out to see if some folks would be willing to share some of their positive experiences, advice, etc. at Appalachian for future student veterans. They are hoping to highlight several short videos on their website as well as in email communications to prospective students. If you would like to participate or provide any ideas for the project (they are very much interested in student input and guidance), please let me know via email.

GRADUATION

If this is your final semester, it is not too soon to start planning for graduation and beyond. Here are a few things to keep in mind:

- Pick up your GRADUATION HONOR Cord
 - o If you cannot come to the SVRC to pick up your cord, you can email your mailing address and we will mail it out.
- <u>Update your Resume</u>
- Apply for Graduation
- Start your Job/Internship Search

DON'T FORGET!

There are *FREE COFFEE CARDS* available for pick up in the SVRC. Each card will "purchase" a 120z cup of drip coffee from Crossroads Coffee House on the first floor of the Plemmons Student Union.

YOUR OPINION MATTERS

If you have ideas or feedback regarding programs and services we can offer through the Student Veteran Services and the Student Veteran Resource Center, please let me know. You can send the feedback via email or this Google form.