Veteran Psychological Health Counseling

Meet with Veterans Affairs counselor, Jeff McDowell M.A., LPC to discuss individual topics. Mr. McDowell is certified in readjustment counseling specializing in trauma (PTSD), neurofeedback, domestic violence, and step qualified in marriage and family therapy.

A retired 1st Sgt from the Oregon Army National Guard, Mr. McDowell served 22.5 years in 2/162 and 1/186 Infantry Regiments; forward deployed 2000, 2004-2005, Operation Southern Watch and OIF.

He will be available from 9:30-3:00 pm in Snell Hall room 140B on the following dates:

- Mar 15
- Apr 19
- May 17
- Jun 21
- Jul 19
- Aug 16
- Sep 13
- Oct 18
- Nov 15
- Dec 20

Office Updates

Come see us in Snell Hall room 137. Thanks to the hard work of volunteers, our offices have had a makeover.

Come see the new locker room where we have 45 lockers available, in Snell Hall, to check out for the quarter free of charge. Come to our office to select yours.

We now have a counseling room in Snell Hall for those who would like to have a meeting set up or just a room to have a study group in. Give us a call to reserve it.

Along with the Vet’s Lounge in the MU we have a lounge now here as well. There are currently two computers to use and free printing from the printer.

Priority Registration

Veterans and qualified family members, using Veterans benefits qualify for Priority registration.

Graduate Students can register Feb 26, at 6:00am.

Undergraduates Students can register by Student levels.

Phase 1 Registration Feb 26 through Mar 15th.

- Seniors- Feb 26, at 12:00pm
- Juniors- Mar 1st, at 9:00pm
- Sophomores- Mar 5th, at 4:00pm
- Freshman- Mar 8th, at 5:00pm

Phase 2 Registration Opens Mar 16 at 9:30 for those using benefits. Non-degree Veteran Benefit Students Open Mar 19th at 7:30pm.

Military TA

If you were a resident of the State of Oregon at the time of your enlistment or commissioning into the U.S. Military, you may be eligible for some financial assistance if you are using TA to take classes through Ecampus.

For more information, please visit: http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/online-degrees/military/ecampus-tuition-assistance.htm

Military & Veteran Resources Center

137 Snell Hall
(541)737-7662
**Student Veterans Association**

**Events:**

**NEXT VSA MEETING: Feb 27th 5pm at the Centro Cultural César Chávez Cultural Center**

March:
- Dave and Busters (LBCC SVA Social Event, March 5)

April:
- Conferences: [National Women Veterans Summit](#) Dallas, TX

May:
- Memorial Day Events
  - 22 for 22 (Memorial Day Ruck, 22 kilometers for Veteran Suicide Awareness)

Greetings! I'm Kylissa Taylor, as Interim President of OSU VSA, we are still looking for more members to join. I can't stress that enough, I have worked with multiple officers over the past three years and have noticed some progress in our fundraising, tabling events and recognition as a student organization at Oregon State. We are currently in the process of a huge transition of Club organizations between Linn-Benton Community College and the SVA (Student Veterans of America). We hope to gain more knowledge from all angles, to fully establish and keep this organization running to support incoming veterans. Hope to see you at the next meeting.
-Kylissa Taylor, USN
VSA Interim President

Hello. I'm Anthony Plant, acting Vice President. The challenge we are facing as an organization is not only membership, but active involvement within the member body. Since our organization has begun redefining itself, we are still in the process of solidifying our bylaws as well as our definitions of membership. We are trying to develop this into an organization that rewards its members for participation, therefore we have begun to network with external organizations to arrange events that promote socialization within the community, networking opportunities that will enable members to succeed when moving forward from education and most importantly peer-support for those who are still transitioning to civilian life. I hope to see you all in the future.
-Anthony Plant, USMC
VSA Interim VP

Hello I'm James Kemp, Secretary. The past year has been a rough one for the organization. A lack of steady participation has made it difficult to get much done. With the new leadership team I am confident many of these issues are behind us. We are streamlining the bureaucracy to make filling vacant officer positions easier, and reaching out to SVA, the Student Veterans of America, in order to broaden our pool of resources as we attempt to grow the organization. I can't stress enough how important member participation is moving forward. It remains our greatest challenge. I encourage all of you show up and do your part. We will be holding elections in the next couple months, and a number of officer positions remain to be filled. This organization exists to help veterans succeed. It will only be as good as we make it.
-James Edward Kemp, US Army
VSA Secretary

Hello I’m Kenneth Browning, as acting Treasurer, I hope to help increase and regulate funding to the VSA.
-Kenneth Browning, USN
Treasurer
Scholarships Available

Mark & Vicki Hehnen Scholarship for Veterans in Science

Application deadline extended to 17 March 17. The scholarship may be awarded to an OSU undergraduate or graduate student (or a Degree Partnership undergraduate) pursuing a degree program within the College of Science who is an honorably discharged veteran of the U.S. Military.

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Class of ’65 Service Member / Veteran Alumni and Descendants Educational Scholarship

Application deadline extended to 17 March 17. This scholarship is available to OSU alumni or former students who are honorably discharged veterans of or currently serving in the U.S. military (Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, and Coast Guard, including reserve components) or children or grandchildren of such veterans.

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Scholarship and Grants Resource Page

The link provided below will take you to a well maintained site that provides links directly to scholarships and grants for service members, veterans, and family members. Well worth your time to check it out.


A Message from the MVR Advisor

Welcome to the first issue of Dam Vets.

I have met many of you, but for those that don’t know me here is a short background. I am a combat veteran with over 25 years of service, spent a couple of years as a Disabled Veterans Outreach Program specialist with the employment department here in Oregon, and this is my second year here at Oregon State in this position. I am honored to be in this role that allows me to work with you; the military and veteran students, and your families.

You and your families are the reason that I come to work, to provide you the assistance that I can, to help make it through the rat maze of benefits, services, and requirements that you have to navigate.

If you haven’t stopped by, please do. If you can’t stop by feel free to drop me an email. I appreciate the opportunity to hear from you and learn about your experience at OSU, OSU-Cascades, and OSU Ecampus. If we all work together we can continue to make a positive change to veteran benefits and services for our Beaver Vet Community.

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The Certifying Officials

REMINDER:

Any time you change your schedule after the second week of the term, either added a course by petition or withdrew from any courses please send us a quick email (including your Student ID). This winter term the date would be January 23rd. We would like to keep your information accurate and adjusted prior to the end of the term if possible.

ALSO: Parent School Letters are needed every term if you are attending a school outside of OSU.

FROM THE CERTIFYING OFFICIALS

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