Academic Advising for Veteran Students

Understanding Military Transcripts
# Student Veteran Population Attending OSU

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Veteran’s Workgroup

- Academic Advisors
- Veterans Resource Coordinator
- Office of Admissions
- Veterans Certifying Officials
- Financial Aid
- E-Campus
- ASOSU Student Veteran Representatives
- Dean of Student Life
Projects from the Veterans Workgroup

Ongoing:
• Developing a Veteran Transition Program or Class
• Monitoring Federal and State legislation that impacts Student Veterans
• Provide training opportunities for faculty, staff and students on OSU’s Campus around Veteran Issues

Successes:
• Goodwill Interest Waiver
• Increased Yellow Ribbon Support- Post 9-11 GI Bill
• Hired a Veterans Resource Coordinator

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Veterans Website

• [www.oregonstate.edu/veterans/home/](http://www.oregonstate.edu/veterans/home/)
• Information about educational benefits
  • Post 9/11 GI Bill
  • Montgomery GI Bill
  • Yellow Ribbon
• VA student groups and support resources
  • Veterans Connection Program
• OSU policies on deployment
• Staff and advising resources
  • Veterans at OSU FAQ
  • Advisor Resources
Any Questions so far?
Military Experience Credit – Benefits & History

• Many “military credits” are technical in nature – students would not receive any college credit otherwise
• If the full 45 credits are awarded the student has sophomore standing
• Meant to be an advantage to a student veteran coming into college with little to no credit
• Not systematic across OUS
Military Experience Credit

• 1 credit PAC is given automatically when student submits their DD214 (Form certifying release from active duty)
• Submission of Official Transcripts can result in up to 45 credits (given as ELEC UDT & LDT)
  • SMART- Sailor Marine Corps American Council on Education Registry Transcript
  • AARTS- Army American Council on Education Registry Transcript System
  • CGI- Coast Guard Institute
    • NEW: Joint Services Education Transcript
• Clep Tests
• College Credit (CC of Airforce, Defense Language Institute, etc.)
Military Experience Credit: Problems & Issues

- Majority are general and do not apply toward degree requirements
- Maximum Time Frame with Financial Aid
  - Advisors/Admissions can email Financial Aid directly about this issue
- Lack of equity and clarity for students
- Confusion for advisors around Military Transcripts
Transparency is Key

Empower Student Veterans to make the most out of their military experience

Veterans Website:
• List of what credit each college grants from ACE Transcript

• ACE Transfer Tool

• Information about petitioning to have courses fulfill requirements
  • Work is being done to create a universal form in each college

Empower Advisors to work with student veteran transcripts

• Ace transcripts located in NOLIJ
• Utilize website for any clarification of questions or terms
Colleges Have Various Policies Regarding **BLOK Credit**.

Visit the Staff Resources/Evaluation of Military Credit section of the OSU Veterans website.
Military Credit Transcript Examples

JST – Joint Service Transcript: Military Course Information for Army, Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard

Assignment:

• Find Academic Institution Courses

• Find CLEP/DANTES Section

• Find the Summary Section and note the location of the ACE Exhibit number
How do you fit into this puzzle? Questions?