

CENTER FOR MILITARY AND VETERAN SERVICES

# We're Here To Serve You



# WHO WE ARE

The Center for Military and Veteran Services (CMVS) coordinates Drexel's university-wide effort for student-veterans and military dependents to be able to easily access high-quality campus services. From providing information about admissions, academics, and Yellow Ribbon benefits to extending advocacy and resources throughout each student's time at Drexel, we create a truly military-friendly campus community through a welcoming and informative approach.

As a valued part of the Drexel community, you will be guided through every step of the transition from military to college life and beyond. All veteran students, faculty, and professional staff have access to a variety of services, a space to call their own, and special events held with the entire Drexel community. The following is just a sample of everything that is available to you.

#### RESOURCES FOR OUR HONORED VETERANS

In addition to the Steinbright Career Development Center and Goodwin College of Professional Studies providing support for Drexel's student-veterans with the transition from the military to student success, the following list just touches the surface on community resources for our military-connected students.

#### ★ Drexel Veterans Association (DVA)

Through integration, advancement, and service, the DVA enhances the student-veteran educational experience at Drexel as a support structure that helps student-veterans cope with the unique challenges associated with transitioning from military life to student life.

#### ★ Drexel Veterans Alumni Network (DVAN)

DVAN strengthens the alumni veteran experience at Drexel through collaborative partnerships with the University. In addition, DVAN provides networking opportunities for alumni and current student-veterans to support their career and educational goals.

#### ★ Drexel Veterans Colleague Resource Group (DVCRG)

Composed of Drexel employees who have served, family members, and interested people who support the mission of the group, members of the DVCRG serve as mentors to students and promote a community that emphasizes, celebrates, and supports the Drexel veteran experience.

#### ★ Drexel Veterans Task Force

The task force encompasses representatives from key departments on campus that impact student success. Included are the Center for Learning and Academic Success Services (CLASS), Transfer and Graduate Admissions, Academic Advising, and Drexel Central Certifying Officers.

#### ★ Health & Wellness

There are a variety of health and wellness opportunities available for our student-veterans both on and off campus, including support from Drexel's Office of Counseling and Health Services. The Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Penn and the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center are also both within walking distance from campus.

# A SPACE TO CALL YOUR OWN

# ★ Masci Family Student Veterans Lounge

Located on the lower level of the Creese Student Center at 3208 Chestnut Street, the Masci Family Student Veterans Lounge is the hub for the CMVS community and is adjacent to other spaces available for Task Force members and those who serve the community. It's an exclusive space just for veterans and a great place to meet others and study between classes or take your lunch break.





# **RECENT ACCOLADES**

In 2021, the *Military Times* ranked Drexel 10th for Private schools and 4th in the Mid-Atlantic region on their Best For Vets: Colleges list. During the Pennsylvania National Guard Associations (PNGAS) Awards in 2021, Drexel was named one of Pennsylvania's Best of the Best College/Universities of the Year.

# TAKING TIME TO APPRECIATE OUR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES

# ★ Memorial Day Primer

Every May, we honor and remember members of the U.S. armed services who gave their lives in service with our Memorial Day Primer.

# ★ Veterans and Military Family Appreciation Month

Every November, we honor our veterans and active military during Veterans Appreciation Month. We march during the city of Philadelphia's annual Veterans Day Parade, recognize outstanding service during the ROTC Hall of Fame event, and hold a tribute on Veterans Day that includes military traditions and protocol.

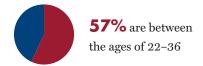
All are welcome to join us during these and other important events.

# DID YOU KNOW?

The following is true about our enrolled student-veterans and military dependents as of fall 2020:







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