WHO WE ARE

The Office of Veteran Student Services coordinates a 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.

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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**

**Drexel Veterans Association (DVA)**
Through integration, advancement, and service, the DVA enhances your educational experiences. The association is also a support structure that helps veterans cope with and respond to 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. Additionally, DVAN provides networking opportunities for alumni and current student veterans to support their career and educational goals.

**Drexel Veterans Colleague Resource Group (DVCRG)**
Comprised 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. DVCRG promotes a community that emphasizes, celebrates, and supports Drexel's veteran experience.

**The Steinbright Career Development Center**
Drexel's Steinbright Career Development Center gratefully acknowledges the contributions of our student-veterans. Steinbright is here to help with all of their career, cooperative education (co-op), and job search needs.

**Drexel Veterans Task Force**
The task force encompasses representatives from key departments on campus that impact student success. Included among these 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 veteran students both on and off campus. They include the Drexel Office of Counseling and Health Services, as well as New Beginnings ([nezunewbeginnings.weebly.com](nezunewbeginnings.weebly.com)). 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**

**Veterans Lounge**
Located in the Private Dining Room in the lower level of the Creese Student Center at 3208 Chestnut Street, the Veterans Lounge is a space just for veterans. It’s a great place to meet others and study between classes or take your lunch break.

**TAKING TIME TO APPRECIATE OUR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES**

**Memorial Day Primer**
Every May, we honor members of the U.S. armed services who gave their lives in service. Included in this time of remembrance are patriotic readings and music, military protocol, and thoughtful remarks.

**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 the rest of the month’s events.