

## **SUMMARY OF CURRENT AND FUTURE VETERANS' BENEFITS OFFERED BY SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

### **University of Connecticut**

- UConn **will** expedite admissions decisions for veterans once their application is complete.
- UConn's Veterans Benefits Office within the Office of Student Financial Services **will** provide financial aid counselors dedicated to veterans.
- UConn **will** designate admissions counselors dedicated to veterans
- UConn **will** use expedited and simplified readmission process for veterans who take a leave for service.
- UConn **will** allow veterans to self identify in the admission process.
- UConn's Admissions Office **will** assist veterans in the transfer of credits and may allow limited credit for service through existing procedures
- UConn **will** have a link on its website site for veterans information
- UConn has the Veteran Student Organization, a registered student organization, which is a social support network for veterans and provides contacts with the Veterans Benefits Office

### **Connecticut College**

- Connecticut College **will** waive the \$60 application fee for veterans
- Connecticut College **will** assign a dedicated counselor for veterans in Admissions
- Connecticut College **will** process veterans' applications with unofficial documents as long as they Admissions office receives the official documents as soon as they are available.
- Connecticut College **will** be able to offer most veterans an instant admissions decision.
- Connecticut College **will** work with veterans to help transfer credits through the office of Records and Registration
- Connecticut College **will** have a specific link on their admissions site for veterans

### **Mitchell College**

- Mitchell College **will** waive their application fee for veterans
- Mitchell College **will** assign specific admissions and financial aid counselors for veterans
- Mitchell College **will** process veterans' applications with unofficial documents as long as they Admissions office receives the official documents as soon as they are available.
- Mitchell College **will** allow veterans to self-identify on admissions documents.
- Mitchell College **will** expedite the process of transferring credits for veterans

### **Quinebaug Valley Community College**

- The President, Dean of Administration, Associate Director of the Willimantic Center, and Director of Learning Support and Transfer are themselves veterans and maintain currency on issues affecting military members and veterans.
- Quinebaug Valley Community College has a dedicated financial aid counselor for veterans who is knowledgeable of the various financial programs available to veterans and their implementation and recording requirements. She meets personally with veterans about benefits.
- Quinebaug Valley Community College **will** run a power point presentation on the campus monitors during registration regarding benefits for veterans.
- Quinebaug Valley Community College utilizes the ACE Guide in awarding college credit for military service training.
- Quinebaug Valley Community College is a member of Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges which commits us to meet the unique needs of military students.
- Quinebaug Valley Community College has a veteran's link off of their financial aid page and **will** make a link off of their admissions page.
- Quinebaug Valley Community College is bringing a new modular building onto our Danielson campus and dedicating space for a Veterans' Oasis – a place for veterans to meet and for outside counselors and benefits officers (State and Federal) to meet with veterans and their families.
- Quinebaug Valley Community College has an active student organization G.I. Guardians made up of veterans and nonveterans who support active duty military.

### **Asnuntuck Community College**

- Asnuntuck Community College has an official link on their website for veterans' services.
- Asnuntuck Community College is a member of Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges an organization committed to meeting the unique needs of military students.
- Asnuntuck Community College **will** use the ACE guide to award college credit for military service experience.
- Asnuntuck Community College is developing dedicated space on campus for a veterans' oasis to be used as a drop-in center for veterans to learn about state and federal programs and access support from other veterans.

### **Three Rivers Community College**

- Three Rivers Community College **will** use the ACE guide to award college credit for military service experience.
- Three Rivers Community College is currently building an Oasis Room for Veterans, a drop-in center for veterans and their families.
- Three Rivers Community College has an official link on their website for veterans' services.
- Three Rivers Community College is a member of Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges an organization committed to meeting the unique needs of military students.

### **Eastern Connecticut State University**

- Eastern **will** soon have an informational web page designed specifically for veterans, including a frequently asked questions (FAQ) section with links to financial aid and advising services.
- Eastern **will** make admission decisions on unofficial documents to expedite the enrollment process for veterans subject to subsequent receipt of official documents.
- Eastern requests information on the application for admission to identify veterans and codes this information in the integrated data base for streamlined identification of the cohort.
- Eastern expedites the admission review process for veterans once their applications are complete.
- Eastern has generous transfer credit practices for veterans. Certain military experience is accepted as college-level work.
- Eastern has a web-based transfer equivalency tool which allows veterans to view how credits earned through military experience will transfer to Eastern.
- Eastern has expedited withdrawal and readmission processes for applicants and students called to active duty.

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