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Senior Year Experience

UNIV 4800—1 Credit

Fall 2015!

Are you close to graduation and looking for another class to add for Fall 2015? For the first-time this Fall 2015, UConn is offering a Senior Year Experience (SYE) class section specifically for student veterans, or those who are still serving (Active Duty, Reserves, National Guard).

During Fall 2015, SYE lecture will be Monday afternoons and the smaller discussion section (011D) will be on Wednesdays from 11:15a.m. to 12:05p.m. in Arjona 343. To register, students need to contact Nikki Cole at Nikki.cole@uconn.edu or (860) 486-3802 for a permission number. Please note: you need to have 86 or more credits to signup.

Some of the topics for SYE will include: resume and cover letter writing; how to translate military skills during job searches; insurance 101; money management. Student veterans in this class will be able to speak with each other about transitioning from college, reflect on your experience at UConn, and develop a stronger sense of direction for life after graduation.

Fast Track to the MPA Program!

UConn's Department of Public Policy is hosting an information session on March 31st from 7:30-8:30p.m. in Oak 110. The Fast-Track program allows current UConn students to begin working on the MPA degree as undergraduates. Some Fast-Track students are able to complete the MPA within a year of receiving their Bachelor's degree. During the session, Valerie Rogers, the Administrative Program Director, will discuss the application process and the curriculum of the program.



VSO Movie Night – Thursday, March 26th 8:00p.m. to 10:00p.m. in Arjona 339 (main lounge). UConn's VSO (Veterans Student Organization) is hosting a movie night in the main lounge in Arjona 339. Come and take a break from studying. Stay for the Free pizza, snacks, and entertainment!

Career Prep Workshop— April 2nd!

(RSVP by March 27th)

11:00a.m. to 4:30p.m. in Arjona 339 on April 2nd . **Free lunch** will be provided to all participants.

During the workshop, experienced hiring managers from Cigna will help you prepare for the job search via mock interviews, resume critiques, in addition to sharing their own advice and experiences. If you are interested in participating in the resume critique and mock interview portion of the workshop, please send your resume by March 27th to <u>Nikki.cole@uconn.edu</u> and indicate you plan to attend the workshop.

Cigna is a global health services company with the mission to improve individuals' health, well-being, and sense of security. They are a military-friendly employer, and have organized a Veteran Colleague Resource Group within the company. Take advantage of their expertise and time on campus to help you prepare for the next step in your career.

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Fresh Check Day April 25th

Come to UConn's third annual Fresh Check Day for engaging interactive booths, live music and entertainment, great prizes, FREE food, and an exciting new theme that will bring out the child in you!

Saturday April 25 1-4pm Hillside Road (Rain Location Student Union 304A/B)

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Elizabeth Cracco, Ph.D: <u>elizabeth.cracco@uconn.edu</u>

Sponsored by the UConn Suicide Prevention Committee



UConn's Office of Student Financial Aid Services is offering two Financial Literacy workshops this semester:

Workshop #1 Understanding Debt

Date: March 31, 2015 12:00 – 1:00 PM and 2:00 – 3:00 PM Location: Student Union, Room 304 B (Capacity: 80 student per event) Topics: credit card debt, understanding different types of debt, student loans and managing debt after graduation

Workshop #2 Financial Literacy Jeopardy

Date: April 1, 2015 from 1:00 – 2:00 PM Location: Wilbur Cross Building, Room 110 (Capacity 20) The game-like presentation will provide students a better understanding of student loans, fee bills and loan repayment options. There will be audience participation in this workshop.

To RSVP, select the session you want to attend by clicking: https://uconn.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_b4rWy7xBpwjKRox

For more information, contact: Hernan Cortez at Hernan.cortez@uconn.edu



DID YOU KNOW...

Graduation Cords for Student Veterans

Graduation Cords (Red, White, and Blue in color) are available for student veterans who are graduating. These cords are available, **at no cost**, if you served in the military, and will be going through the May 2015 Commencement Ceremony. Please stop in at Arjona 342 and pick-up your graduation cord (Monday – Friday, 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.). These cords commemorate your successful completion of your degree program here at UConn, as a student veteran. If you have any questions about the graduation cords, please contact Nikki Cole at <u>Nikki.cole@uconn.edu</u> or call (860) 486-3802.

If you are at one of the regional campuses, you can get your graduation cord from the main Point of Contact on your campus. Please go to <u>http://veterans.uconn.edu/regional-campuses/</u> to find the main point of contact for your campus.



Army ROTC vs. Air Force ROTC Football



Army ROTC vs. Air Force ROTC Football Game April 10th!

Invitation to the Veterans Community to Come and Cheer!!

April 10, 2015 at 7p.m.at the George J. Sherman Family-Sports Complex (the turf field behind the fitness center). Come see the Air Force and Army ROTC units battle in their yearly football game Spring tradition.

Reminder: Complete the Form D

The Form D is now FILLABLE, and available ONLINE. Simple, Fast, and from anywhere! Remember - You need to fill out a form D for **each term** you are going to be using any VA or State of CT program you qualify for based on your military affiliation. The earlier you fill it out, the better! Once you register for your Fall 2015 classes or your Summer 2015 classes, please submit the Form D.

Updated Points of Contact for Regionals:

Below is an updated list of the main points of contact for Student Veterans at UConn's Regional Campuses:

Avery Point:	Martha Young	860-405-9017
Hartford:	Alison Valone	860-570-9022
Stamford:	Genoveva Arce	e 203-251-8506
Waterbury :	Kit Kasey	203-236-9829
Torrington:	Janet Beal	860-626-6801
Social Work:	Barbara Meye	ers 860-570-9054
Hartford Law:	Susan Steen	860-570-5141
Storrs:	Rob Passmore	860-486-1973
	Dan Kowalchil	k 860-486-2823

Survey - Your Participation is Appreciated:

Vicie Hurst, a doctoral student in the combined Counseling Psychology and School Psychology program at the College of Education at Florida State University, is currently conducting research on perceived support and college adjustment with student veterans.

The overarching goal of this project is to gain a better sense of student veterans' college experiences and perceived support so that postsecondary institutions and service professionals will be able to better meet their needs and improve their overall college experience and quality of life. For each completed survey, \$2.00 will be donated to the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Charitable Service Trust!

If you think you might be interested in participating or would like further information, please either follow the below link to the survey or e-mail Vicie Hurst at <u>vah07@my.fsu.edu</u>.

https://fsu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_espQXSEEC1UVOXr



freshcheckday[™] checkin'-in with college students

SATURDAY • 1PM-4PM APRIL 25

HILLSIDE ROAD RAIN LOCATION: STUDENT UNION 304 A/B

A program of the Jorden Porco Foundation | rememberingjorden.org

Free Event FREE FOOD PRIZES Free T-shirts INTERACTIVE BOOTHS

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Carry On with these employers



Every company on this list is veteran friendly.

Don't be shy—send them an email with a brief cover letter and copy of your resume—they can't wait to hear from you!





Company	Point of Contact	Email Address
Access Health CT	Peter VanLoon	peter.vanloon@ct.gov
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