



# The Husky Vet Gazette

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## Military game night!

### FREE GRUB!

Student Union Arcade,

March 5th 4:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.

Free games and free food! Enjoy unlimited tokens along with the following sumptuous dishes:

Baked Potato Bar—with all the fixins' from bacon to sour cream

Mac & Cheese—complemented with assorted breadsticks.

Seven different types of cookies will round things off.

All vets are welcome, as are their friends and family.

## Heroes for Hire!

**Heroes 4 Hire Veteran Career Fair** – April 14th 2015 (mark your calendars now!!) 11a.m. to 3p.m.; Rentschler Field **Ball Room** in East Hartford, CT. Sponsored by the Connecticut Department of Labor. Details available at <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/jobfairs/>



*Like this, but snowier.*

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## Summer Sessions

Registration for summer sessions is right around the corner. Don't forget that your Connecticut Veterans tuition waiver NOW APPLIES towards those courses. Plus, you can now submit your Form D online. How awesome is that?



Not as awesome as the beach, but you can't have everything, right?

## March 26th - Movie Night

Save the Date - March 26th at 8p.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 Popcorn, snacks, and entertainment!



Questions? Comments? Article idea?

Contact the editor!

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# G.I. Bill Update

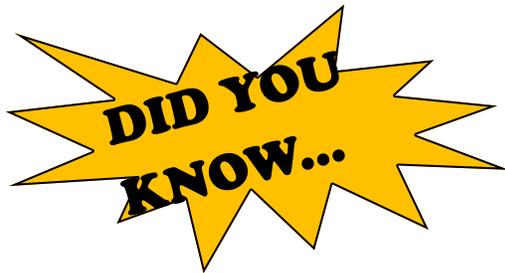
## Section 702, Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 update:

Section 702 of the Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 (Commonly called the “Choice Act”) is making changes to the amount of tuition and fees that schools offering courses covered by the Post-9/11 GI Bill and the Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty can charge a “qualifying Veteran or dependent” taking classes. Any term beginning on or after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, Institutions that participate in VA Educational Benefits programs under the Post 9-11 and Montgomery GI Bills will be required to charge a “qualified Veteran or dependent” the In-state rate, regardless of their actual state of residence.

What this means:

1. A Veteran who lives in CT, (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) and enrolls in the school within three years of discharge from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more, will be characterized as an in-state student for the purposes of Tuition and Fees.
2. A spouse or child using transferred benefits who lives in CT, (regardless of his/her formal state of residence), will be characterized as an in-state student for the purposes of Tuition and Fees.
3. A spouse or child using benefits under the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship who lives in CT, (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) will be characterized as an in-state student.

There may be other factors that affect the applicability of Section 702 to a Veteran or a dependent, so please contact the Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs with any questions or concerns you may have.



...you can get **College Credit for Military Service**

Please bring your DD-214 Member 4 copy to the VAMP office (Arjona Rm. 345), or you can scan and send it to [kristopher.perry@uconn.edu](mailto:kristopher.perry@uconn.edu).

If you were stationed in, or deployed to, another country during your military service, you could be eligible for the MISI 92001 Foreign Study in Military Science (3-credits).

Detailed information, including eligibility requirements, is available online at <http://veterans.uconn.edu> under “Programs” > “College Credit for Military Service.”

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## Historically Speaking

The 442nd Regimental Combat Team was a group of Japanese American soldiers who fought in WWII. So did a lot of people, you say...well, most other people didn't leave family behind in government funded internment camps. This was a reality for many of the volunteer soldiers, who joined up to wear the same uniforms as their jailers. Not many people would be willing to fight for the same group that had oppressed them, but the fighting 442nd set out to prove that they were just as worthy as every other American citizen. Their unit was one of the most highly decorated in the entire war, chalking up an unbelievable 21 medals of honor, and 8 Presidential unit citations (with five coming in one month!). 9,486 Purple Hearts were doled out, often to men who would escape from the hospital to rejoin their unit. They were later graced with a Congressional Gold Medal, and even awarded the rank of chevaliers in the French Legion d'Honneur.

As a final part of their legacy, it is said that the peaceful efforts of the 442nd veterans helped make Hawaii the 49th state.



*The Fighting 442nd*

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## Go for broke! Four four two!

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### Are you a senior? What will you do next?



*Free business cards, free resume counselling, free mock interviews....everything but the job!*

Don't wait for graduation to start thinking about your future. If you want to land a sweet job, the time to start preparing is now. The Center for Career Development has a multitude of resources to help you get started. Fellow veteran Aaron Peterson is friendly, knowledgeable—and it's literally his job to help you. All you have to do is show up!

In addition, each edition of the Gazette ends with a full page of employers who are looking specifically for veterans....go to page 5 & check 'em out.

Life goes on after school. Get to it!



# Veteran of the Month

We are pleased to recognize Bobbi-Jo Maltz as the March Veteran of the Month.

Bobbi-Jo Maltz joined the Army in May 2001. She was a 92A Automated Logistics Specialist. Bobbi-Jo was assigned a medical unit in the 101<sup>st</sup> at Ft. Campbell, KY. She deployed 2 times. Her first deployment was February 2003 to Feb 2004. When they finally settled after 4 months of jumping areas they were at the Mosul Airfield. Her 2nd deployment was August 2005 to August 2006. Mainly at FOB Q-West. Bobbi-Jo was stop-lossed so she got out of the Army later that year.

Bobbi-Jo moved to Brookfield, Connecticut with her family in 2010. She attended Western Connecticut State University. Then, in 2012, she had a little boy, who is now 3 years old. She and her family moved to South Windsor at the end of 2013. She is now pregnant with their 2nd child (a boy), who is due to arrive in July. Bobbi-Jo transferred to UConn during spring semester of 2014. She is double majoring in Communication and Political Science. Bobbi-Jo plans to complete both degrees in summer of 2016 if all goes well with classes and being the proud mother of two sons.

If you would like to nominate a veteran at UConn for "Veteran of the Month," please contact Nikki Cole at [Nikki.cole@uconn.edu](mailto:Nikki.cole@uconn.edu) with the individual's name and the reasons for the nomination.



# Carry On with these employers

It's time to get to work. One of the greatest benefits of completing your college education is securing employment that will aid you for the rest of your life. Each of these companies is veteran friendly—so what are you waiting for?



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