



The Husky Vet Gazette

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Volunteers Needed!

Bring the Colossal Colors
(giant flag) to the
UConn Baseball Game



When: UConn Baseball vs. Cincinnati - April 28th
Report at 1:00pm, Game at 3:00pm

Who: Open to all students and guests

What: Carry the Colossal Colors (giant flag) onto the field

Where: J.O. Christian Field (Baseball Field on Storrs campus)

Register at Veterans.uconn.edu

Sierra Club Outing Leader Course

When: 2-6 August

Who: Any Veteran or ROTC Cadet

What: Outings Leader Training

Where: Chaplin, CT



The Sierra club is offering a free outdoor leadership training course to veterans and cadets in the NE region. All the costs associated with this training are waived (minus transportation) and the training will qualify you to lead Sierra Club outings and access Sierra Club resources. There are two slots reserved just reserved for UConn Vets.

For more info or to sign up, message Aaron.Leonard@sierraclub.org

Walking in Commencement? Pick-up a Graduation Cord

Graduation Cords 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 2017 Commencement Ceremony.



Please stop in at Arjona 342 or 345 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 Nikki.cole@uconn.edu 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 <http://veterans.uconn.edu/regional-campuses/> to find the main point of contact for your campus.

Get Paid - Complete and Submit your FORM D!

If you are going to continue using benefits over the summer, or are returning to UConn in the Fall, please ensure that you file your electronic Form D for the Spring 2017 semester at <http://veterans.uconn.edu/benefits/forms/>

Whether you are a new student, or you're returning for another exciting semester, you need to fill out a Form D in order to get your tuition paid (as well as receive your BAH), if you're using Educational benefits from the VA.

If you have any questions or concerns bring them to the Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs located in Arjona Rm. 345, or call 860-486-2442.

Become a Husky Vet Buddy for 2017-2018!

Do you remember what it was like when you first came to UConn? Do you want the chance to make it better for another student veteran coming to campus? Now is your chance . . . Starting in the Fall, new student veterans will be matched to "Husky Vet Buddies" (sort of like a "battle buddy") who can be on hand for whatever questions, etc. they have when they get to campus. The requirements for Husky Vet Buddies are:

- At least in their 2nd year on-campus in the Fall
- Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Desire to work with fellow students

If you're interested in becoming a Husky Vet Buddy for the Fall semester, please contact Nikki Cole or Paul Hanlon, and send an email to them at Nikki.cole@uconn.edu with your full name and any questions you may have. We'll be setting up times to meet with individuals who are interested, during the last couple weeks in April.

We're also looking for your input about the Husky Vet Buddies Program, so we can use that as we move forward. There are only 4 questions, and it only takes a couple minutes to fill out: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DH89MR3> Thank you!!



Vet Fest 2017

When: May 20, 12-5pm (May 21 rain date)

Who: Veterans and their friends and family

What: Food, Music, Army Band, Free Family Day

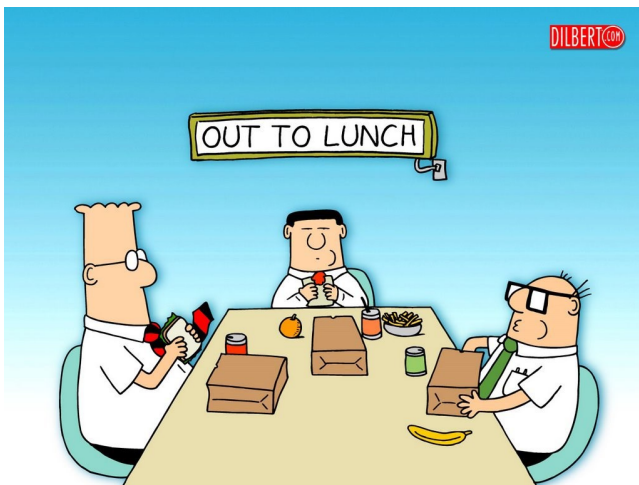
Where: Library Park– 267 Grand Street– Waterbury, CT



VETFEST 2017 is a free family fun day celebrating and appreciating Veterans. Inspired by USO concerts, we believe Veterans deserve concerts too!

Please come out and enjoy comedy, music and food.

Check them out on Facebook or call: 203-573-6717 for more info.



End-of-Year Lunch Social!!

(Free food, good company)

Thursday, April 27, 2017

11:30am to 1:30pm

Arjona 339 (Storrs)

Take a break from studying. Bring your appetite!

Everyone in the UConn Veterans Community is welcome to join in one last get-together before the year ends!

Questions? Contact Nikki Cole at Nikki.cole@uconn.edu

Job Search Resources for Student Veterans

Part-time Work-study positions opening Next Semester

Are you looking for a part-time job in the fall semester? The Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs is hiring students who are currently using G.I. Bill Benefits to work various roles in the VA&MP Program. Positions will be available in the Oasis and in Arjona.



These are paid, tax free positions. With available hours to work with your schedule.

If interested, email veterans@uconn.edu for more information.

CT State Library Job for Veterans

The Connecticut State Library is looking to hire college students and veterans to work at our Remembering World War One Digitization Day events. This project holds community events centered around helping Connecticut residents remember and document the WWI veterans in their own families. They do this by interviewing family members and scanning or photographing the photos, letters and other keepsakes they bring them. These stories and images are then made available online for use by family, students, teachers and anyone with an interest in WWI.

This is an opportunity to get students involved in the commemoration of World War One while giving them some hands-on skills. They are looking for Veterans to do these interviews because it gives extra meaning to the families they work with. Their knowledge of military lingo, documents and history provides an insight that is invaluable.

The positions are on a per event basis and compensation is \$15/hr. This funding is made available through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

More information about the project can be found at <http://ctinworldwar1.org/digitization-days/>

Interested? If you are interested in applying for a position at one or more events please email a cover letter and resume or C.V. to Christine Pittsley at christine.pittsley@ct.gov Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.



Winner of the 2017

Willis N. Hawley Service and Leadership Award

The Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs at UConn is pleased to announce Camden Craigie as the winner of the 2017 Willis N. Hawley Service and Leadership Award. This award recognizes a student veteran who has made significant contributions to the University Community. Camden has demonstrated a commitment to raising awareness and actively advocating for veteran's issues at the University.

Camden Craigie is a Navy veteran and a student attending the Avery Point Campus. Over the course of the year, Camden has been working in the Veteran Center at the Avery Point campus, providing services directly to fellow student veterans and he has been advocating on behalf of veterans there. Camden was an integral part of coordinating and facilitating a Veterans Day lunch at the Avery Point Campus, which was open to the entire Avery Point Community, including local citizens and law enforcement.

Currently, Camden is in the Electrical Engineering program at UConn and he will be attending the Storrs campus beginning Fall 2017. In addition to his work at the Veteran Center, Camden also serves as a tutor on-campus through the Academic Center. Within the first few weeks as a tutor, he surpassed the expectations of his supervisors at the Academic Center, quickly becoming one of the strongest tutors. In fact, at the beginning of Spring 2017, Camden was promoted to "Head Q Tutor" at the Academic Center. In addition to his role in the Veteran Center and the Academic Center, he also participated in Avery Point's "Cardboard Boat Race" and was active in the Avery Point Writing Club.

Camden is described by his supervisor as "the epitome of an engaged scholar . . . and his commitment to learning is evident: Camden is passionate in his studies as well as in his desire to build community."



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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Access Health CT	Peter VanLoon	peter.vanloon@ct.gov
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