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Annual UConn Veterans Day Ceremony

Where: Founder's Green (in front of Wilbur Cross)

When: November 10th at 11:00a.m.

*Keynote Speaker: Brigadier General Ralph Hedenberg,
CT National Guard*

Each year, UConn and the Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs organizes a ceremony to honor the courage and volunteerism of Veteran students, staff and faculty working and living here at UConn. The ceremony will involve laying a wreath at the Ultimate Sacrifice memorial, Color Guard, and much more.

Light refreshments following the ceremony in the South Reading Room of Wilbur Cross

Coffee Hour with Special Guest



What: Coffee and Pastries with a Special Guest

When: November 10th at 9:00a.m.

Where: In the Oasis, Student Union 224 (Storrs)

The Veteran Affairs and Military Programs Office has a surprise special guest coming to the OASIS the day before Veterans Day. Coffee and pastries will also be provided.

You Do Not Want to Miss It.

Earthtones Vocal Ensemble Presents

“Voices of the Vietnam War: Music and Memories”

Saturday, Dec 2nd at 3:00PM

Von der Mehden Recital Hall (Storrs campus)

This is a **free** event commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Tet Offensive (of the Vietnam War) with military narratives and songs by the Animals, The Rolling Stones, and more!

Devils Hopyard State Park Hike - Nov. 11th

The VSO is collaborating with the Sierra Club for a hike on **Saturday, November 11 at 10:00a.m.** This hike is roughly 3 hours and the plan is to go to a restaurant that offers free meals for Veterans after. This event is open to anyone, although the trail may be tough for young children.

[More details and registration can be found here](#)



Free Movies and Popcorn!

Through collaboration between the CSD, Student Activities and The Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs at UConn, there will now be several movies shown in November centered around military/veterans and disabilities.

Saturday, November 11
2 pm Men of Honor
5 pm Born on the 4th of July

Student Union Theater



Wednesday, November 15
5 pm American Sniper
8 pm Forrest Gump

Student Union Theater

Admission is free. **All the restrictions for minors/UConn ID apply (i.e. only folks with an ID will be admitted—they can bring guests).** Every attendee gets free popcorn and a drink.

Job Search Resources for Student Veterans

ISO New England

ISO New England is hiring students for our summer 2018 intern program at locations in Holyoke, MA and Windsor, CT. Students at the undergraduate, graduate, and doctorate levels are encouraged to visit our website's career portal to view all 30 openings in Engineering, IT, Big Data, and Business. Graduating students are welcome to consider our range of full-time entry level positions. Visit our website to learn more: <https://www.iso-ne.com/careers>

ISO is looking to hire for their summer intern program as well. Fields include Engineering, IT, Computer Science, and Business.

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ACP (American Corporate Partners) Mentors

American Corporate Partners (ACP) is a nationwide, nonprofit organization that proudly assists America's veterans in their transition from the military to finding their next career.

We provide professional development guidance through free mentorships from corporate professionals, networking opportunities and online career coaching.

Since 2008, ACP has assisted more than 10,000 veterans, and our veteran mentoring program is open to all post-9/11 veterans. **Get started today @ acp-usa.org/mentoring**



DONATION DRIVE



Let us help those who need help.

Drop off items in the collection box or in Arjona 343 from Nov. 13th to Dec 8th!

The UConn Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs has initiated its 5th annual care package drive. Collected items will be donated to shelters which provide housing, training, job placement, and other services to the homeless and those in need with a focus on veterans. Create a team name and attach it to your donations if you want to compete against other teams. The winner will receive a plaque commemorating their contributions! Contact samuel.surowitz@uconn.edu or peter.harrington@UConn.edu for more info or call 860-486-5078!

Recommended Collection Items

General Hygiene Items: Soap, shampoo, razor blades, shaving cream, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, etc

Household Supplies: cleaners, batteries, paper towels, plastic utensils, Ziploc bags, detergents, toilet paper, etc

New Clothing: Winter Clothing, socks, hats jackets, sweats, underwear, undershirts, sizes M-XXXL

Food: Canned goods, coffee, non-perishables, condiments, peanut butter, jelly, powdered creamer, sauces, etc

Veteran of the Month: November 2017

Emily Lugo

The office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs at UConn is pleased to honor Emily Lugo as our Veteran of the Month for November 2017. Emily served in the Marine Corps for 4 years as a maintenance data analyst, from January 2012 to January 2016. For her entire Marine Corps career, Emily worked with HMH-462 “The Screw Crew.” She deployed to Afghanistan in August of 2013 and to Japan in May 2015. Everyone on the crew was awarded the meritorious unit commendation award for 2015. During her time in Afghanistan, Emily also earned the rank of corporal, which was pretty exciting to her. While on deployment in Japan, Emily was selected to be a part of a small group of marines that dropped off an aircraft for depot level maintenance in South Korea. One of her most rewarding moments was when Emily was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Emily’s first experience at UConn was in 2011 through the Student Support Services (SSS) program. She says, “College wasn’t my forte at the time, hence why I was in basic training right after my first semester.” Returning to UConn after her service in the military was a lot easier than Emily expected because she was already exposed to the college setting and was much more mature. The staff that Emily worked with were so helpful and she was given the opportunity to work

as a clerical assistant and mentor for the SSS program. The 4 years away in the Marine Corps definitely made a difference for Emily: “I went from pretty much failing, to making dean’s list my first semester back.”



Emily was born and raised in Hartford Connecticut so being at UConn, especially in Hartford, reminds her that she is home. Emily loves the new campus in Hartford, which now has a distinguished area for veterans (Room 207 in the Hartford Times Building). Emily had some individuals to turn to when it came to learning the ins and outs of being a veteran, and now she wants to help out other veterans and this new space is part of that change. Emily loves the smaller classroom sizes in Hartford because she believes having a relationship with the professor is so important. She says, “If you have a question they can actually see you to answer it.”

If you would like to nominate a student, faculty, or staff member for “Veteran of the Month,” please contact Nikki Cole at Nikki.cole@uconn.edu with the name of the person and reasons for your 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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