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Contact Us

Our Team is now available for phone and web video meetings on the following days/times:

Phone Meetings: Wednesdays 9a.m. to 12p.m. – staff will be available to talk via the main phone line at 860-486-2442 (no appointment needed)

Web Video Meetings: Tuesdays 9a.m. to 12p.m. - Jon Ramos will be available by scheduling an appointment in advance

Web Video Meetings: Thursdays 12p.m. to 4p.m. - Rob Passmore will be available, by scheduling an appointment in advance

(Note: Log-in with your NetID to schedule your appointment and a link will be sent via your UConn email for your meeting. If you do not have a NetID, please email to request an appointment).

To allow time to get a link sent to you, please schedule your appointment at least 24 hours in advance.

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Economic Opportunity Resources

Don't miss out on these opportunities!

The SVA (Student Veterans of America) has online resources available for Veterans searching for:

- Long-term employment
- Short-term employment
- Career Development Resources
- And many more tools and resources!

Go to:

<https://resources.studentveterans.org/>



VA Updates

- **Veterans Affairs** - The VA is encouraging Veterans to call before visiting their VA facility. They're also encouraging Veterans to utilize [online and telehealth services](#) for medical appointments.
- **Vet Centers** – Vet Centers are also continuing to support Veterans through appointments online and by phone. [Find a Vet Center near you!](#)
- **Veterans Crisis Line** – Need help outside of regular business hours? Call 1-800-273-8255 and press 1. Or go to <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/> which also has many useful online resources.
- **GI Bill** – Good News – Congress has [fixed issues with the G.I. Bill](#) so student Veterans will still receive their educational benefits despite classes transitioning online.



Veterans FYE Class – Fall 2020

New to campus and want some insights for navigating campus and Veterans Resources?? This one credit class is being offered to Veterans and Military Affiliated Students

Tuesdays 1:00 – 1:50p.m. in Hawley 105 (Storrs)

Class Objectives:

- Learn about campus resources and Veterans' benefits
- Connect with other students going through a similar experience
- Learn from guest lecturers and eat free ice cream

Contact Paul Hanlon at paul.hanlon@uconn.edu for a permission number to sign up!

VA Work Study Opportunity – Fall 2020

The Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs (VAMP) is looking for student Veterans to work part-time for the office, helping out fellow student Veterans with questions, guidance, and support.

Positions are available at ALL campuses. Eligibility requirements include:

- Students must be using VA Educational Benefits and attending classes at least 3/4 time.
- Be available to work in the office (or the Veterans Oasis at regional campuses) 10 to 15 hours/week
- Willingness to help out other student Veterans

Email Paul Hanlon at paul.hanlon@uconn.edu if interested!



Jason Chandler (Cont'd.)

Though, LTC Jason Chandler will soon be leaving UConn, he leaves behind a legacy with all the cadets he made such a huge impact on over the years. We will remember him as a leader who was thoughtful, empowering and who exemplified the best qualities of our leaders.

Thank you LTC Jason Chandler!

LTC Jason Chandler - AFROTC

The Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs is pleased recognize and thank LTC Jason Chandler for his service at the University of Connecticut. Since July 2015 he has served as Commander of Det 115, the Air Force ROTC program at UConn. We are saddened to say goodbye to LTC Chandler this summer, but we are happy for him and his family. During his time at UConn he has overseen the training and professional development of the cadets under his command, who have gone on to become 2nd Lieutenants in the U.S. Air Force.

Before coming to UConn, LTC Chandler had many years of service in the Air Force, which included deployments to the Balkans, Iraq, Africa, Afghanistan, and Indonesia. He served as a pilot flying MC-130P and HP-130P and he was responsible for SERE training at Fairchild AFB, WA.

IMPORTANT!!

Have you submitted your Form D?

If you are using the National Guard Tuition Waiver, the CT Veterans Tuition Waiver, or VA Educational Benefits, you need to complete the Form D!! It's easy – just go to <http://veterans.uconn.edu/form-d/> and submit it online.

Questions? Contact UConn's Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs at 860-486-2442 or email veterans@uconn.edu or set-up an appointment for a web video meeting (see page 1).