NOVA Transitional Advising Services for Student Veterans

In collaboration with the United Way of the National Capital Area, Northern Virginia Community College Office of Military Services recently established a Transitional Veterans Advising Coach. In this capacity, Mr. Ronny Romero provides to all Student Veterans attending NOVA additional assistance with furthering their educational needs and goals. This service is offered to all NOVA Student Veterans who have completely separated from Active or Reserve Military Service.

The educational services are free of charge, and they include:

- Degree Planning Assistance
- Transcript Evaluation Assistance
- Course Selection Assistance within NVCC SIS
- Certification Form Completion Information
- Next Step Counseling after Certification
- VA Class Adjustment (Add/Drop) Procedures
- VA Housing Allowance Procedures
- Specific Chapter / Benefit Compliance Information
- VA Class Credits Compliance Information

You may contact Mr. Romero directly via email or by phone if you have any questions or require assistance.

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National Capital Region Veteran Resource Expo -- August 2015

SAVE THE DATE! The University of Maryland University College (UMUC) and its VA VetSuccess Program, in partnership with the VA-VetSuccess Programs at George Washington University (GWU), Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC), George Mason University (GMU), and the Veterans and Servicemembers they serve, are pleased to announce their first Veteran Resource Expo 2015 to be held on August 13th & August 14th in Largo, Maryland at UMUC’s Academic Center, virtually and face-to-face. The Expo’s focus is on relationship building and information exchange on areas such as education, health, wellness, and career opportunities for Veterans, student Veterans, family members, and Servicemembers transiting from the military to civilian life. We invite submissions of proposals from the military community, their dependents, employers, recruiters, and practitioners.

Go to the web site for more information and registration details.
Virtual Advising

Academic advising is important at NOVA. Academic advising helps you to plan a program that will meet your educational objectives. If you cannot come to campus to meet with your advisor, [Online Virtual Advising](#) is available to you.

Virtual Advisors are available by chat Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and Monday through Thursday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Click on the "Live Chat" button on the right of the page to chat with a virtual advisor.

You may also contact a Virtual Advisor through e-mail. E-mail your questions to AcademicAdvising@nvcc.edu. Your questions will be answered within 24 hours.

REMINDER: Please have your NOVA Student ID number available whenever seeking academic advising.

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Adding or Dropping a Class?

If you add or drop a class from your schedule, it is imperative that you notify your Veteran’s Advisor by submitting the Adjustment form as soon as possible. These changes may affect your benefits and could potentially cause an increase or decrease of any housing stipend that you may be entitled to. Remember that it is your responsibility to promptly notify the Veteran’s Advisor of any changes to your schedule.

Adult Career Pathways

Adult Career Pathways (ACP) is a College program that offers adult students a support system specifically designed to assist them navigating the unique challenges they face while attending college. Participants receive ongoing support and guidance through each step of their college experience. The key to ACP’s success is its student-centered model, which builds an ongoing relationship between students and their counselors, faculty members and peers.

What makes this program unique is that ACP gives adult students who could otherwise find adult studies difficult to pursue access to NOVA. Students receive personalized assistance from a NOVA Career Counselor to help them achieve their career goals. Counselors continue to assist students pursuing their career plan for up to three years. Participants can access their counselor via phone, email, in-person at community locations, and on NOVA campuses.

The program is free to participating students.

ACP Program Contact Information:
E-mail: acp@nvcc.edu
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Alexandria Veterans & Military Student Resource Office

The [AL Veterans & Military Student Resource Office](#) assists student veterans and their dependents by: providing information on their educational benefits; certifying paperwork for all applicable educational benefits; offering programs and workshops support of their student experience; and advising the Student Veterans Network.

The [VetSuccess on Campus Counselor](#) is an experienced Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor on the NOVA - Annandale and Alexandria campuses. This counselor serves as a “VA One-Stop Liaison” for Veterans, active duty military and their eligible family members who attend or plan to attend NOVA.

The [AL Off-Campus Military Advisor](#) at JBMHH assists active duty military students and their family members with the same student services that other students access on campus, such as the admissions process, registration, credit evaluation, and educational advising. The advisor can also assist students with payment issues and connecting them with college resources.

The [AL Student Veterans Network](#) (SVN) provides camaraderie and networking for both academic & social life. Any student enrolled in at least one credit with NOVA who is a veteran, reservist, National Guard member, or active duty service member is invited to be a member of the SVN. Contact the officers, studentvetsalexandria@gmail.com.