National Capital Region Veteran Resource Expo 2015

Save the Date in August 2015!

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 and 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 transitioning 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.

NOVA Reminder – Independence Day Holiday

Northern Virginia Community College will be closed Friday, July 3, 2015 through Sunday, July 5, 2015 in observance of Independence Day holiday. During this time, all College offices will be closed.

College offices will re-open at 8:30 am on Monday, July 6, 2015.

Happy Independence Day
The Veterans Crisis Line

Need Help?

The Veterans Crisis Line serves as a confidential resource for Veterans and their families. It connects Veterans and their families and friends with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat, or text.

Veterans and their loved ones can call 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1, chat online, or send a text message to 838255 to receive confidential support. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Support for deaf and hard of hearing individuals is also available.

For more about the Veterans Crisis Line, click here.

New Student-Veteran Orientation

The Veterans & Military Student Resource Office at the Alexandria Campus is hosting a Student Veterans Orientation & Information Session for student veterans who are new to Northern Virginia Community College or who are returning to college-level studies after taking a hiatus. The purpose of new student orientation, in general, is to provide new students tools for a successful transition and integration into college life. This particular orientation workshop is designed specifically for student veterans and your experience.

It will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2015, from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm in room AA158, which is located in the middle of the first floor of the Bisdorf building on the Alexandria Campus. The program will introduce you to resources available to students, as well as to services available for student veterans. It will also offer you the opportunity to connect with other new student veterans.

Please plan on attending this important workshop. There is no cost for attendance, but we ask that you RSVP by registering for the workshop at https://student-veterans-orientation-info-session.eventbrite.com.

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.

Fall BAH Requirements

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