

A Letter from Patrick, Military and Veteran Services Coordinator

Only a few more days until summer vacation! This semester has flown by and I hope you've enjoyed every minute of it!

For those of you returning in the Fall, I'd like to announce the creation of two veteran work study positions. These positions would be authorized to work 1300 hours at \$7.00 (tax free) to assist me, in organizing Veteran activities on campus, maintaining veteran files, responding to questions from perspective students, and other veteran related work as required. The final date that I will accept applications for the Fall 2013 semester is 5/31/13. If you are interested in this opportunity and would like to learn more please

follow this link

(http://www.gibill.va.gov/resources/education_resources/programs/work_study_program.html).

For those of you who have not completed your certification request forms for either the Summer or Fall Semesters, please do so as soon as possible. Please follow this link if you wish to print out a copy of the Veterans Certification Request Form (<http://www.potsdam.edu/studentlife/services/military/index.cfm>).

Congratulations to those of you who are graduating and I wish you the best of luck in whatever you decide to pursue. If there is ever anything that I can do for you please let me know.

Workshops for Veterans

This semester the Veteran Student Services office offered two educational programming options for all students utilizing military benefits. The programs were developed and run by the Academic Support office (<http://www.potsdam.edu/support/>) and Career Planning office (<http://www.potsdam.edu/offices/career/index.cfm>). They both did a phenomenal job and I recommend that you take advantage of their services while at Potsdam.

If you have an idea for a program that you'd like to see offered here at SUNY Potsdam please let me know!

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Regional Veteran's Clinics Information

Veterans Crisis Line

Confidential help for
Veterans and their
families.

Call: 1-800-273-8255
Press 1

Or go to:
VeteransCrisisLine.net

Did you know about the Two Clinic's in the Potsdam Area?

Veteran's clinic in Canton:

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the
month in the Department for Social
Services building.

Veteran's Clinic in Potsdam:

Every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. to 3:00
p.m. in the basement of the Public
Library room #2.

- They accept drop in's or call for
an appointment. They offer to see
any Army Veteran or Combat
Veteran's. Other services being
offered are health services,
counseling, and bereavement.

-Counseling for Post-Traumatic
Stress Disorder is also available.
Veteran's receive life time benefits.

-Lastly they participate in the
following programs: Homeless
Veteran's program, Emergency
Loans program, Emergency Loans
program, and a Voucher for Rent
program.

Contact:

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Watertown Vet Center
210 Court Street Suite 20
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SUNY Potsdam Provides Fee Waivers for Eligible Veterans Students

- Parking (Must have an honorable discharge)
- Recreational Facilities Fee (Must have an honorable discharge)

In order to be eligible for these waivers a veteran student must have received an honorable discharge from their respective branch of military service.

- In order to receive a parking fee waiver, you must present the University Police Office with a copy of your DD-214 showing your honorable discharge.
- Please submit a copy of your Certificate of Eligibility and DD-214 to my office (Sisson 128) in order to receive the Recreational Facilities Fee waiver.

If you have any questions about this process please let me know.

Summer Session 2013 Dates

Registration for Summer Session is from April 1-May 22

Session 1:

May 23 through June 27
No class on Memorial Day, May 27.
Last Day to Add: May 24
Last Day to Drop: May 30
Last Day to Withdraw or Elect an S/U: June 11

Session 1A:

May 23 through June 10
No class on Memorial Day, May 27.
Last Day to Add: May 23
Last Day to Drop: May 24
Last Day to Withdraw or Elect an S/U: June 3

Session 1B:

June 12 through June 27
Last Day to Add: June 12
Last Day to Drop: June 13
Last Day to Withdraw or Elect an S/U: June 20

Session 2:

July 8- August 9
Last Day to Add: July 9
Last Day to Drop: July 12
Last Day to Withdraw or Elect an S/U: July 24

Session 2C:

July 8- July 23
Last Day to Add: July 9
Last Day to Drop: July 12
Last Day to Withdraw or Elect an S/U: July 24

Session 2D:

July 25- August 9
Last Day to Add: July 25
Last Day to Drop: July 26
Last Day to Withdraw or Elect an S/U: August 2

For a one week course, the last day to add or drop is by the end of the first day of class.

2014 North Country Veterans Appreciation Day Planning Underway!

The North Country Veterans Committee is dedicated to providing local veterans with opportunities to be recognized and appreciated. Please help the committee in the planning of our 2014 Appreciation Event by completing our short survey (<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3XVLJ5G>).

As always, feel free to check in at our website, www.northcountryveterans.com for updates or to contact us.

Late/Emergency Withdrawals and Late S/U Options

Given **extenuating circumstances**, requests for late withdrawals, late S/U options and emergency withdrawals can be submitted to the following.

Crane Students-

David D. Heuser,
Associate Dean
Bishop Hall C220

Non-Crane Students-

Tammy Durant,
Student Success Center
Academic Services
Sisson Hall 128

Graduate Students-

Contact the Graduate
Studies Office
Satterlee Hall 115

SALUTE Veteran Honor Society Requirements

The SALUTE Veteran Honor Society is meant to provide Veterans of the US Armed Forces with support, bridges from undergraduate education to graduate school or veteran-friendly professional life, and as means of academic recognition.

To qualify for SALUTE, students must meet the following requirements:

- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 for Undergraduates (3.5 for Graduate Students)
- Minimum 12 credits earned at SUNY Potsdam
- Must have served , or are currently serving in the US Military, National Guard, or Reserves
- Submission of DD-214 (reflecting honorable discharge), Discharge from Active Duty, or a copy of Military Orders
- Completed Application to SALUTE
- \$20 Application Fee

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

<http://www.potsdam.edu/support/military/index.cfm>

If you are interested in applying to SALUTE, please contact:

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Points of Contact on Campus

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