Welcome to the Carolina Veterans Resource Center!

Dear Military-Affiliated Community,

On behalf of the Carolina Veterans Resource Center (CVRC) and the Dean of Students, it is my pleasure to welcome you as we start the new academic year. We are excited to support you as you begin, continue, or near the end of your educational journey here at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. For those new students who are just joining our community, we encourage you to take advantage of all of the resources that are available to you. Your college experience will be what you make it, and your opportunities will only be limited by the limits you place on yourself.

The beginning of the year can be an exciting, celebratory time and still we acknowledge that the current climate and issues facing our state and nation may also make this school year a time filled with concern. During these uncertain times we remain steadfast in our continued commitment to implement innovative practices and create quality experiences for our military-connected students. We will continue to collaborate with campus partners to ensure that we foster an inclusive and supportive environment for our transitioning military members.

At the CVRC, we care about you and want you to find success however you might define it. You are not alone, and we are here to assist you on your journey. If you don’t know where to begin, I encourage you to contact me and let me assist you.
Again, welcome and have a safe and healthy Carolina experience!

MaDana Bivens - Program Director for the CVRC

Veterans Benefits

UNC-Chapel Hill is approved by the Veterans Administration as a training facility for students receiving military education benefits. All students, including new first years, transfer students, and graduate students, should visit the University Registrar’s Veterans Affairs for more information about the VA application process and VA enrollment certification.

Jan Benjamin is the University's VA Certifying Official and is the primary point of contact for benefits and is a member of the UNC Student Veterans Resource Team. She can be reached at jan.benjamin@unc.edu.

Scholarships, Grants, and Loans for Military-Affiliated Students

The question of how to pay for a college education is one that almost everyone faces at some point in their lives. Fortunately, there are many options for you as a military-affiliated student. In addition to the possibility of a Department of Veterans Affairs or Department of Defense entitlement like the GI Bill® or Tuition Assistance, there are many local and national scholarships or grants available to military or military family member students! This list is not all-inclusive, nor should it be considered an endorsement of any one organization over another. These are scholarships or grants that we have been made aware of and wish to pass along to you. Please contact the Student Veterans Assistance Coordinator if you need further assistance pursuing options to fund your education.

Sometimes you may be eligible for more than one financial program that conflicts with each other and you must choose which one you to utilize. Often times, however, you may use multiple benefits at once. For example, you can use a GI Bill program, scholarships from businesses or veteran organizations, and financial assistance programs all at the same time. When in doubt about what you qualify for or what you can use together, don’t be afraid to ask!
Scholarships and search tools are listed for informational purposes only and should not be considered an endorsement. We do our best to keep the application periods updated, but always verify for yourself.

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