

# CUNY Veterans



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**CLASS OF 2018**



**Summer 2018 Newsletter**

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# CUNY CENTRAL OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

At the City University of New York (CUNY) we welcome and support veterans, reservists and dependents on our 24 campuses across the five boroughs of New York City. We are proud of the level of diversity and academic excellence that our 3,400 veterans (800 of which are women veterans) bring to our campuses and recognize the contribution that they make as citizens and students. We are dedicated to fostering a sense of community and to developing a channel of communication among veteran and reservist students, and with faculty, staff and administration.

The CUNY Office of Veterans Affairs (COVA) orchestrates initiatives to retain student veterans and their family members by implementing best practices and complying with federal, state and institutional policies such as Executive Order 13607 – Principles of Excellence, the DOD MOU and the 8 Keys to Veterans Success. Working collaboratively with community agencies, COVA aims to increase awareness and sensitivity to the unique needs of veterans, and provide resiliency-based social and academic support to encourage post-graduate success.

Visit our website for a virtual one-stop source of information regarding services for veterans, reservists and their dependents and survivors. In addition, it is a guide to educational benefits, entitlements, counseling and advocacy resources, which will assist veterans in pursuing their academic and civilian careers.

The CUNY Office of Veterans Affairs team is happy to assist you with any questions.  
Please contact us Monday through Friday between 9AM and 5PM

Central Office for Student Affairs  
555 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10019  
P: 646-664-8800

To request a Fee Waiver with your CUNY application, please email: [vetwaiver@cuny.edu](mailto:vetwaiver@cuny.edu)  
For all other matters, and to join our team, e-mail us at: [veterans@cuny.edu](mailto:veterans@cuny.edu)

## Lisa Beatha

United States Army Veteran  
University Director of  
Veterans Affairs

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**THE CUNY CENTRAL OFFICE OF  
VETERAN AFFAIRS  
PRESENTS:**

**THE CUNY VETERANS SUMMIT**

Awards Breakfast

Resource Fair

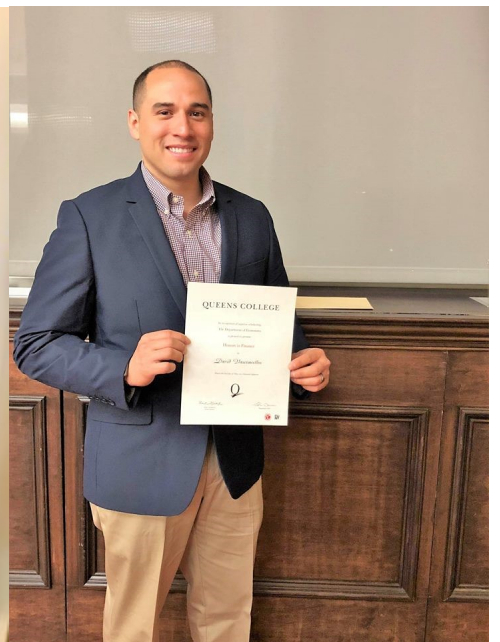
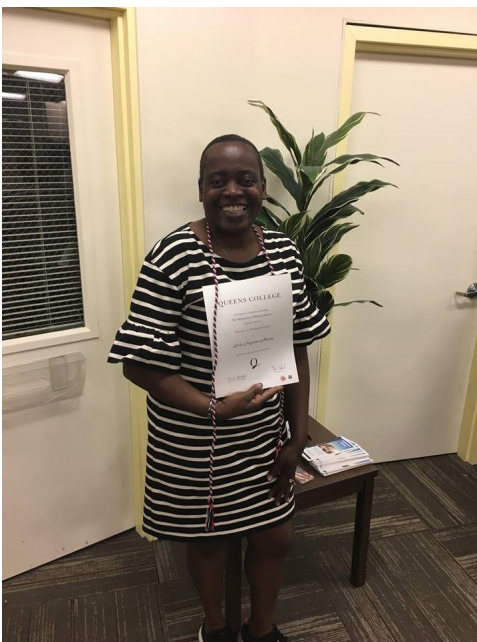
**Save the Date**

Friday, November 2nd, 2018  
CUNY Graduate Center  
365 Fifth Ave, New York City, NY  
10016

# CUNY VETERAN GRADUATES - CLASS OF 2018



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**Nancy Delgadillo — US Army Veteran**  
BA, Creative Writing  
The City College of New York

“I joined the Army weeks after 9/11, traveled the world, lived in Germany, deployed to Iraq and Kuwait. Was honorably discharged and jumped back to work. Two years ago, I decided to finish my degree in the most exciting city in the world [#NYC](#). I fell in love with the rich history and diverse culture in my campus, with students from 153 countries, speaking 99 languages at The City College of New York (CCNY). I’ve had an incredible learning experience and this semester I graduated with Honors. But I couldn’t have done it without the encouragement from dear friends and our team at CUNY Central, when extensive analysis of Shakespeare plays tested my resolve. It has been an honor to work for the CUNY Veteran Affairs office in supporting my fellow veterans, and congratulations to all 746 Graduates!”



# CUNY VETERAN GRADUATES - CLASS OF 2018



**Jonathan Fermin-Robbins**  
**US Army Veteran**  
Political Science Major,  
International Relations  
Hunter College



## Student Veteran Guide to Academic Success

1. Join the SVO and get involved! You increase your chances of graduating by 25% if you get involved in an on-campus community.
2. College is about relationships and connections first, books second. Get involved on and off campus! Volunteer. Take up interesting and challenging internships. Explore!
3. Show up early, sit at the front, ask and answer questions.
4. Go to your professor's office hours every week (yes, every week!). If the professor doesn't know your name and favorite color by the end of the semester, you didn't go enough! This single action undoubtedly raised my GPA by a full point!
5. Leverage campus resources: Career and Professional Development, Writing Centers, and post-graduate resources (like the Office of Prestigious Scholarships and Fellowships at Hunter College). The amount and quality of these resources is astounding. Don't wait, like me, until your junior year to start seeking these out. Colleges invest millions of dollars in these programs and they are widely underutilized.
6. Get to know your classmates. It helps to start the first couple weeks of class, otherwise it becomes awkward to introduce yourself. Exchange numbers and email addresses. This will pay dividends down the road.
7. It is ok to struggle, get behind, and get discouraged. Reach out and ask for help. Talk to your professors and let them know what's going on. The good ones care more about your development than your grade - they want to help.
8. Reach out to other student veterans. Go out. Have fun. Help and be helped by others.
9. Take classes that you wouldn't normally be interested in - you learn a lot and can have fun.
10. Most importantly, focus on the experience, not the

# DESIGN YOUR OWN BACHELOR'S DEGREE



## Apply now for Fall 2018! #CUNYBA

Applications are currently being accepted for Fall 2018 consideration to the CUNY BA program. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible if they are interested in being considered for the upcoming semester. Please visit: <https://cunyba.gc.cuny.edu> to learn more.

### What is CUNY BA?

[CUNY BA](#) is the University-wide, individualized degree. It's an exciting, versatile, rewarding degree route for highly-motivated, self-directed students whose academic goals transcend traditional majors. Students create their [own degree plans](#) working directly with faculty mentors and academic advisors.



### New Student Orientation

August 23, 2018

Starts: 5:30 pm

Location: Elebash Recital Hall, The Graduate Center,  
365 5th Ave, New York, NY 10016, USA

### BENEFIT from a comprehensive transfer policy

We accept most credits students have previously taken (up to 90, including Military, IB and AP credits) and we apply them to our degree requirements. *Students know their remaining degree requirements on their first day in CUNY BA!* Enrolled students can apply for life experience credits.

### START from a CUNY community college

Students enrolled in a CUNY community college can apply to CUNY BA and start working on their B.A. or B.S. degrees immediately. We accept up to 68 community college credits.

### ENJOY academic flexibility

This is student-centered learning. Select the courses that interest *you* most. Take advantage of independent study, internships, honors courses, study abroad, graduate-level courses and credit-by-exam. Go to school part- or full-time; day, night, weekend or online.

### GET individualized attention

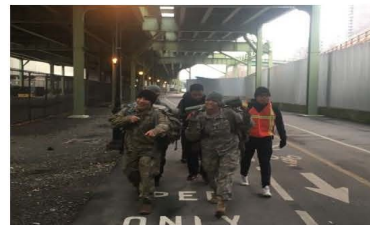
Each student works with a full-time CUNY faculty member and a designated academic advisor. We offer workshops on applying to graduate school, applying for major fellowships, studying abroad, and others based on student interest.



# JOIN CUNY ROTC

Army ROTC is a leadership program where you will be able to take 24 elective credits that will coincide with your four year college degree program resulting in your commission as an Army Officer (Second Lieutenant) upon graduation.

You can attend any of the 24 CUNY colleges and become a member of the CUNY Army ROTC. Prior Military, Graduate and PhD students are eligible. Scholarship opportunities available.



For further information, please call or email Mr. Raymond Frattolillo (212) 650-6478 | [rotc@cuny.edu](mailto:rotc@cuny.edu)



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[www.facebook.com/cunymilitaryrotc](https://www.facebook.com/cunymilitaryrotc)

Address: **City College of New York:  
Marshak Science  
Building Rm.16  
YORK College: Third Floor Atrium**

# CUNY VETERAN CLUB VIDEO CONTEST



CUNY Veterans Video Submission



Veterans Club

 **Subscribe** 3

63 views

Click on video or [HERE](#) to view

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UtnKJwlqLbc>)

*Congratulations!*



# VETERAN / MILITARY SCHOLARSHIPS



## SCHOLARSHIPS

NYS Vets

<https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/nys-grants-scholarships-awards/veterans-tuition-awards.html>

Available to pre and post 9/11 bill recipients and their families

<http://pattillmanfoundation.org/apply-to-be-a-scholar/>

AMVETS has multiple scholarships for Vets

<http://amvets.org/scholarships/>

American Legion has multiple scholarships for Vets

<https://www.legion.org/scholarships>

VFW Scholarship for Veterans who were released honorably at the rank of E5 or below

<https://www.vfw.org/assistance/student-veterans-support>

Google Scholarship for Veterans in Tech

[https://buildyourfuture.withgoogle.com/scholarships/google-student-veterans-of-america-scholarship/#!?detail-content-tabby\\_activeEl=detail-overview-content](https://buildyourfuture.withgoogle.com/scholarships/google-student-veterans-of-america-scholarship/#!?detail-content-tabby_activeEl=detail-overview-content)

Available to all Vets

<http://www.acfe.com/scholarship.aspx>

Available to veterans pursuing Bachelors nursing degrees and are not receiving VA benefits

<https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-type/veteran-scholarships/army-nurse-corps-association-anca-education-fund/>

Awarded to veterans in the top fifth of their class

<http://www.pronetscholarships.org/scholarships.htm>

ARMA members and their families

<http://amra1973.org/scholarship/>

Purple Heart Vets who are also members of the Military Order of Purple Hearts

<http://www.purpleheart.org/scholarships/Default.aspx>

# CAREER RESOURCES

## CUNYCAP for Graduate Students

Through the CUNYCAP program, CUNY's graduate students can work up to 20 hours a week in a CUNY office while earning an income and money for tuition. CUNYCAP will cover up to 6 credits of tuition per semester for three years (Spring and Fall only). Additionally, CUNYCAP workers can earn \$10 an hour as well as CUNY health benefits as long as they work at least 225 hours per semester.

Learn more: [www.cuny.edu/employment/student-jobs/jobs/counsel-assist-prog.html](http://www.cuny.edu/employment/student-jobs/jobs/counsel-assist-prog.html)



## FREE CyberSecurity Training for Veterans

Did you know that cybersecurity professionals report an average salary of \$116,000—that's nearly three times the national income average.

Veterans are some of the best-positioned workers to transition into much needed **CYBERSECURITY JOBS** and **there is free training available just for you!**

Hire our Heroes and the Department of Homeland Security have teamed up to bring you FREE cybersecurity training and certification prep courses. These courses will build your skills and knowledge and prepare you to compete for the top cybersecurity jobs across the country.

The Federal Virtual Training Environment (FedVTE) is an online, on-demand training center with courses ranging from beginner to advanced levels. Veterans interested in getting into the cybersecurity field can take introductory cybersecurity courses, while elite cybersecurity professionals can take their skills to the next level with advanced course curriculum. FedVTE even offers prep courses for some of the most popular certifications in the industry.

## Free LinkedIn Premium access for Veterans

LinkedIn is proud to support the military and veterans community. As you launch the next stage of your career, or as your family moves from base to base, we're offering eligible service members, veterans and military spouses one year of free access to LinkedIn Premium and LinkedIn Learning.

To sign up and learn more about all the perks, visit: <https://veterans.linkedin.com>

# CAREER RESOURCES

## Barracks to Business: Translating Military Skills into Career Success



As a veteran, you have valuable skills and experience — but you may not know exactly how to translate them to the civilian workplace. We're here to help. Barracks to Business workshops are designed to help you understand the job search process and create a strategy to pursue civilian employment while also introducing you to our vast career opportunities and benefits at Northwell Health.

For more information call **516-472-6000** or visit **[www.jobs.northwell.edu/veterans/](http://www.jobs.northwell.edu/veterans/)**



United States Military Veterans and their spouses can access Priority1 services. All Workforce1 Career Centers offer a priority of service to Veterans and their spouses; certain centers have dedicated Veteran Specialists available to connect veterans and their spouses to training, jobs, and supportive services to meet your career goals while leveraging your military skills and experiences.



ICD offers a unique job-support program, Veterans for Employment – VFE. The VFE program is personalized and collaborative. ICD Job Developers work with veterans to identify transferable skills and to develop a job search plan that incorporates the individual's abilities, desires, and experiences.

They teach veterans how to:

- Prepare for formal and informal networking opportunities
- Translate military resumes into industry-standard resumes
- Create or enhance LinkedIn profiles
- Use search boards and social media
- Develop strategies for interviewing and other interpersonal interactions
- Arrange for internships
- Develop job interview opportunities

For information about career support for veterans, call us at **212-585-6115** or visit **[www.icdnyc.org/veterans/](http://www.icdnyc.org/veterans/)**



*"I am now happier and more optimistic than I have ever been."*

**-EDWARD K.KOSOVO,  
COMBAT VETERAN IRAQ  
AND AFGHANISTAN**



## FREE Transcendental Meditation Course for Veterans in NYC

Transcendental Meditation (TM) has been proven to help reduce PTS symptoms including anxiety, depression and sleep deprivation.

### RSVP today for Intro to TM!

**WHEN:**  
Every Friday at Noon

**WHERE:**  
228 E 45th Street, Suite 1403, New York, NY

This 1-hour intro serves as prerequisite to our 4-day Veteran TM course offered monthly.

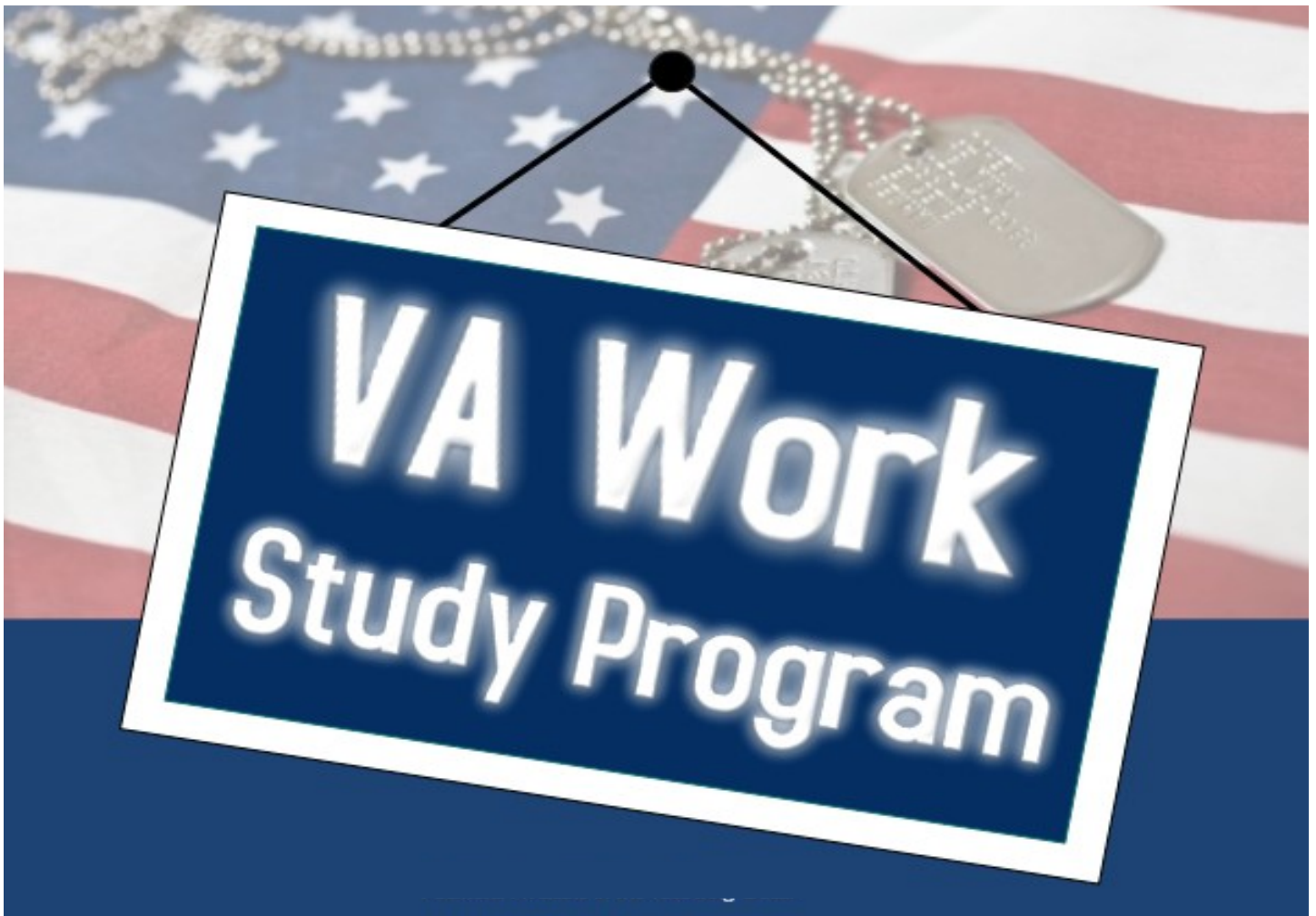
[veterans@davidlynchfoundation.org](mailto:veterans@davidlynchfoundation.org)  
(212) 644-9880

### Evidence-based relief from the epidemic of mental injury

The TM-based Resilient Warrior Program has been extensively researched by over 340 peer-reviewed studies, including over \$26 million in grants from the National Institutes of Health to study the program's effectiveness for reducing heart disease. Key findings include:

- 40-55% reduction in symptoms of PTSD and depression
- 42% decrease in insomnia
- 30% improvement in satisfaction with quality of life
- 25% reduction in plasma cortisol levels
- Decreased high blood pressure—on par with first-line antihypertensives
- 47% reduced risk of cardiovascular-related mortality





The VA Work-Study Program allows student-veterans and dependents who are receiving education benefits from the Department of Veteran Affairs to work in a veteran-related office at CUNY. Participation in this program provides veterans with valuable civilian work experience and additional funding for their tuition. Students earn a minimum wage of \$13.00 (tax-free) per hour.

Some of our CUNY departments currently seeking VA Work Study candidates include:

- Central Office of Veterans Affairs
- CUNYAC (CUNY Athletic Conference)
- CUNY Central Human Resources
- CUNY Welcome Center, Veterans Team
- CUNY Office of Budget and Finance
- Campus Veterans Office @ CUNY SPS

For more information, visit: [cuny.edu/veterans/va-work-study](https://cuny.edu/veterans/va-work-study) or email us at [veterans@cuny.edu](mailto:veterans@cuny.edu)

# VA WORK STUDY - FAQ'S

## Am I eligible for VA work-study program?

CUNY student veterans and dependents are eligible if they are **CURRENTLY** registered to take classes in a college degree program, a vocational program or a professional/graduate program **AND** receiving education benefits under one of the following chapters:

- Chapter 30: The Montgomery GI Bill
- Chapter 31: Veterans Vocational Rehabilitation Program
- Chapter 32: Veterans Educational Assistance Program
- Chapter 33: Post 9/11 GI Bill or Transfer of Entitlement
- Chapter 35: Survivors and Dependence Educational Assistance Program
- Chapter 1606: The Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve
- Chapter 1607: Reserve Educational Assistance Program

## What type of work will I perform?

Work responsibilities will vary according to work location. Under the VA work study program student veterans have worked as peer mentors and assisted in areas related to veterans' admissions, communications/outreach, administration, social media/graphic design, research/statistics, budget/finance, and human resources amongst several others. The work you actually do will depend on your interests and the type of work available.

## How much will I make?

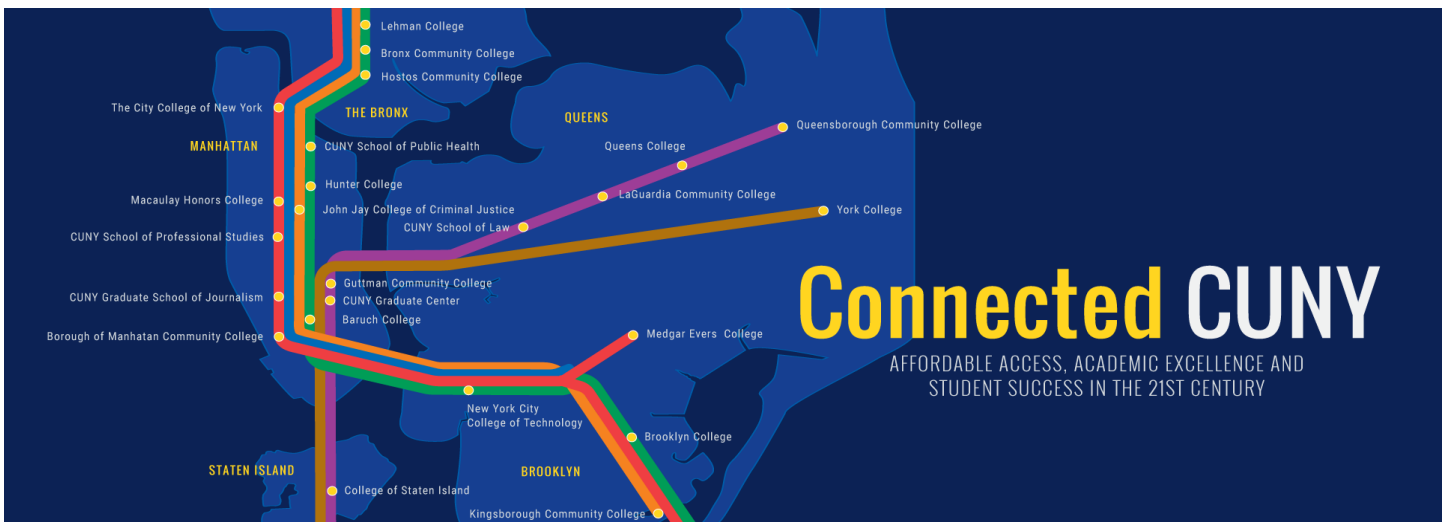
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## How many hours can I work ?

Weekly work schedules are determined by the student and work-study supervisor. The total hours a student can work in one semester is given by the Buffalo VA Regional Office: Work-Study Department. The hours are based on 25 hours per weeks of enrollment.

## Where do I sign up?

Contact the veteran coordinator on your campus or send an email to [veterans@cuny.edu](mailto:veterans@cuny.edu)





# CUNY ADMISSIONS

## Welcome from Admissions!

The CUNY Welcome Center's Veterans Admissions Office is dedicated to assisting service members and their families with CUNY's Undergraduate Application. Services include:

- Inquiries & Guidance

The team responds to veteran inquiries by phone, email, or in-person consultations. and provides information about CUNY's resources, programs and application process.

- Veterans Application Fee Waivers

Fee waivers can be issued by the team to veterans who submitted a Freshman and Transfer Undergraduate application. To request a waiver, veterans should email proof of military service to [vetwaiver@cuny.edu](mailto:vetwaiver@cuny.edu). Fee waivers can only be issued for those who have served and are non-transferrable.

- Application Assistance

Veterans can submit their application documents directly to members of the team to foster a smooth application process. The team also expedites the processing of veteran applications whenever possible.

- Letters of Eligibility

These letters are issued to active duty service members to help initiate their separation/preparation process (they are issued on a case by case basis).

- Assisting Campuses

We work with CUNY's Campus Veterans Coordinators to provide them with additional information about their veteran population.

- ROTC

E-permits for ROTC courses are processed with the assistance of the Veterans Admissions Team.

**Please feel free to contact us for assistance at [vetwaiver@cuny.edu](mailto:vetwaiver@cuny.edu). We look forward to hearing from you.**

# CUNY Veterans Undergraduate Application Guide

## Quick reference guide on how veterans apply to CUNY

<b>STEP 1:</b>	<b>Apply Online</b> – Prospective students should submit a freshman or transfer application online at <a href="http://www.cuny.edu/apply">www.cuny.edu/apply</a> . On the application fee page, veterans should select the “Pay Later” option.			
<b>STEP 2:</b>	<p><b>Obtain Fee Waiver</b> – Veterans can email <a href="mailto:vetwaiver@cuny.edu">vetwaiver@cuny.edu</a> to request an application fee waiver. <u>They should at least provide name, application control number, and date of birth.</u> Proof of military service <u>must</u> be attached to the email and can include copies of one of the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DD214 (Certificate of Release of Discharge from Active Duty)</li> <li>• Pre-separation orders</li> <li>• Other military-issued paperwork</li> </ul>			
<b>STEP 3:</b>	<p><b>Send Supporting Documents</b> – Official transcripts and other supporting documents should be sent directly to the University Application Processing Center (UAPC).</p> <p><b>Regular Mail</b></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">General Freshman Admission CUNY/UAPC P.O. Box 350136 Brooklyn, NY 11235-0001</td> <td style="width: 33%;">General Transfer Admission CUNY/UAPC P.O. Box 359023 Brooklyn, NY 11235-9023</td> <td style="width: 33%;">Macaulay Honors College CUNY/UAPC P.O. Box 359021 Brooklyn, NY 11235-0001</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Overnight/Express Shipping (DHL, Fedex, etc.)</b> CUNY/UAPC 2001 Oriental Blvd., Building T-1, Room 122 Brooklyn, NY 11235</p>	General Freshman Admission CUNY/UAPC P.O. Box 350136 Brooklyn, NY 11235-0001	General Transfer Admission CUNY/UAPC P.O. Box 359023 Brooklyn, NY 11235-9023	Macaulay Honors College CUNY/UAPC P.O. Box 359021 Brooklyn, NY 11235-0001
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<b>STEP 4:</b>	<p><b>Request the JST</b> – Veterans should also send their Joint Services Transcript (JST), which is the transcript of their military courses, to UAPC using the following websites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Army, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard:</b> <a href="https://jst.doded.mil/official.html">https://jst.doded.mil/official.html</a> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Create an account and sign-in.</li> <li>2. Click “Transcript,” then “Official Transcript Request.”</li> <li>3. Choose to submit the JST to City University of New York (Processing Center) and to any individual CUNY college(s) of your choice.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Air Force:</b> <a href="http://www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/transcripts.asp">www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/transcripts.asp</a></li> </ul> <p><i>Note: This transcript will not affect the admissions decision. The amount of military credits that can transfer to CUNY varies by college. After the veteran is accepted to a college, the campus’ Admissions Office will determine the number of transfer credits each student can receive, including credits for military courses.</i></p>			



# JST

Joint Services Transcript

Dear Veteran,

CUNY has approved the review of military credentials to award transfer credit for military service. If you would like your military experience to be evaluated for academic credit and/or to illustrate your work experience on your resume, follow the steps listed below. All campuses do operate differently when helping their respective student-veteran population.

**Step 1:** Create an account for your military transcript via the following websites:

Army, Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard: <https://jst.doded.mil/official.html>

Air Force: [www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/transcripts.asp](http://www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/transcripts.asp)

**Step 2:** Submit your transcript to CUNY UAPC (University Application Processing Center) and/or your current CUNY College.

Contact your admissions office to ensure receipt.

**Step 3:** Print and save a copy of your military transcript to a USB or secure cloud.

**Step 4:** Use American Council of Education (ACE) Military guide to review a description of your coursework: <http://www.acenet.edu/news-room/Pages/Military-Guide-Online.aspx>.

<p><u>Using JST credits for <b>College</b> can count toward:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elective credit</li> <li>• Major or Minor electives</li> <li>• General Education elective</li> </ul>	<p><u>Using JST credits for <b>Employment</b> can:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Showcase military occupation</li> <li>• Illustrate responsibilities/duties</li> <li>• Illustrate leadership and training</li> </ul>
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### Would you like to have a career that relates to your military occupational specialty (MOS)?

Learn what certifications and degrees match your area of expertise by using the following sites:

Army: <https://www.cool.army.mil/>

Navy: <https://www.cool.navy.mil/usn/>

Marine Corps: <https://www.cool.navy.mil/usmc/>

# CUNY VETERAN REPRESENTATIVES ON CAMPUS

## Community Colleges

### **Borough of Manhattan Community College**

Wilfred Cotto, Veteran Services Coordinator  
199 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007  
212-220-5363; wcotto@bmcc.cuny.edu

### **Bronx Community College**

John Rosa  
Coordinator of Veterans and Military Resources  
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Bronx NY, 10453  
718-289-5628; john.rosa@bcc.cuny.edu

### **Hostos Community College**

Charles Prince Uwa, Veterans Affairs Coordinator  
450 Grand Concourse, RM C-377 Bronx, NY 10451  
718-319-7955; cuwa@hostos.cuny.edu

### **Kingsborough Community College**

Tara Yarczower, Director/Certifying Official  
Office of Military and Veteran Services  
2001 Oriental Blvd Brooklyn, NY 11235  
718-368-5978; tara.yarczower@kbcc.cuny.edu

### **Queensborough Community College**

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## Senior Colleges

### **Baruch College**

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### **Brooklyn College**

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Brooklyn, NY 11210  
718-951-5105; cguinn@brooklyn.cuny.edu

### **The City College of New York**

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160 Convent Ave, Wingate Hall, RM 107  
New York, NY 10031  
212-650-5374; cgorman@ccny.cuny.edu

### **College of Staten Island**

Laura Scazzafavo, Veteran Support Specialist  
2800 Victory Blvd, RM 1C-219  
Staten Island, NY 10314  
718-982-3108; laura.scazzafavo@csi.cuny.edu

### **Hunter College**

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695 Park Ave, RM 1119 East New York, NY 10065  
212-772-4923; arosoero@hunter.cuny.edu

### **John Jay College of Criminal Justice**

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### **Lehman College**

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### **Medgar Evers College**

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718-270-4915; rhamilton@mec.cuny.edu

### **NYC College of Technology**

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### **Queens College**

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Queens NY 11367  
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### **School of Professional Studies**

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# VETERAN RESOURCES

## VA MEDICAL CENTERS

Bronx VA Medical Center  
130 West Kingsbridge Road  
Bronx, NY 10468;  
(718) 584-9000

NY Div VA Medical Center  
423 East 23rd St  
New York, NY 10010;  
(212) 686-7500

BK Poly Pl Campus  
VA Medical Center  
800 Poly Place  
Brooklyn, NY 11209;  
(718) 836-6600

St. Albans Extended  
Care Center  
17901 Linden Blvd  
Jamaica, NY 11434;  
(718) 526-1000

## CLINICS

Bay Shore CBOC  
132 Main St.  
Bay Shore, NY 11706  
(631) 328-9092

East Meadow Clinic  
2201 Hempstead Turnpike Bldg. Q  
East Meadow, NY 11554  
(631) 754-7978

VA Harlem Care Center  
55 West 125th St.  
New York, NY 10027  
(646) 273-8125

Thomas P. Noonan Jr. Clinic  
47-01 Queens Blvd  
Sunnyside, NY 11104

Staten Island Health Care Center  
21 Water Street  
Staten Island, NY 10304  
(718) 761-2973

White Plains VHA Clinic  
23 South Broadway  
White Plains, NY 10601  
(914)-421-1951

Yonkers VHA Clinic  
124 New Main St  
Yonkers, NY 10701  
(914) 375-8055x4400

## VET CENTERS

Bronx Vet Center  
2471 Morris Ave Suite 1A  
Bronx, NY 10468  
(718) 367-3500

Brooklyn Vet Center  
25 Chapel Street Suite 604  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(718) 624-2765

Harlem Vet Center  
2279 3rd Ave 2nd FL  
New York, NY 10035  
(212) 426-2200

Manhattan Vet Center  
32 Broadway 2nd FL, Suite 200  
New York, NY 10004  
(212) 742-9591

Nassau Vet Center  
970 South Broadway  
Hicksville, NY 11801  
(516) 348-0088

Queens Vet Center  
75-10B 91 Ave  
Woodhaven, NY 11421  
(718)296-2871

Staten Island Vet Center  
60 Bay Street  
Staten Island, NY 10301  
(718) 816-4499

White Plains Vet Center  
300 Hamilton Ave Suite C  
White Plains, NY 10601  
(914) 682-6250

## Websites

eBenefits.....	www.eBenefits.va.gov
Education Benefits.....	www.benefits.va.gov/gibill
Health Care Eligibility.....	www.va.gov/healthbenefits
Homeless Veterans.....	www.va.gov/homeless
Mental Health.....	www.mentalhealth.va.gov
National Resource Directory.....	www.nrd.gov
Records.....	www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel
Women Veterans.....	www.va.gov/womenvet
VA Benefit Payment Rates.....	www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/rates
VA Forms.....	www.va.gov/vaforms
Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment.....	www.benefits.va.gov.vocrehab

# ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

## Learn About the New Forever GI Bill Benefits

On August 16, 2017, President Trump signed into law the **Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2017** that passed both the House and the Senate unanimously nine days earlier. Harry W. Colmery was an American Legion Commander responsible for writing the original language that became the first GI Bill – the *Serviceman's Readjustment Act of 1944*.

Commonly known as the "Forever GI Bill", the Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2017 picked up its nickname due to its main provision which eliminates the current 15-year use-it-or-lose-it constraint of the Post 9/11 GI Bill education benefit. This time limitation has been one of the sticking points of the Post 9/11 GI Bill with veterans and many veteran organizations since the implementation of the Post 9/11 GI Bill back in August 2009. While removing this "feature" is important, it's just one benefit change of many contained within the unprecedented Forever GI Bill.



For more information visit: <http://www.benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/ForeverGIBill.asp>

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