VETERANS EDUCATION AT FDU

Since its founding in 1942, just days after Pearl Harbor, FDU has had a long and distinguished tradition in serving our military. In fact, many of our earliest students were veterans returning from World War II. This founding principle and our leadership in global education have contributed to a 21st Century blueprint of academic excellence. We have served in partnership with the National Guard Bureau (J7) since 2003, and have expanded our services to all branches of the military. This has enabled FDU to provide continued service and support for those who serve while offering high quality, on campus, online and on site learning options that are adaptable to a rapidly changing global environment.

FDU continues to receive recognition for its work with veterans. Most recently, as one of 20 institutions nationally, and one of only two private universities in the United States, FDU received a grant award from Walmart and the American Council on Education (ACE) to further enhance programs and services for veterans and their families.

COST & AFFORDABILITY

Never before has an education at FDU been so affordable to veterans either to expand on their previous education or prepare for a new career. The Post-9/11 GI Bill is scheduled to take effect August 1, 2009 and offers unparalleled opportunities to achieve your goals for higher education. Plus, virtually every honorably discharged U.S. military veteran has already accrued credits toward a degree or certification. Your decision to attend a premier, private university, such as FDU, is now a reality.

Yellow Ribbon Program

Students who are eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program (i.e., veterans with 36 months or more of cumulative active-duty service or discharged with a disability after 30 days of active-duty service or eligible dependents) can have all tuition and fees covered by their benefits and an FDU Yellow Ribbon Grant. FDU is proud to make this offer for all of our undergraduate and graduate programs, whether they are on campus, on site or online.

Partial VA Educational Benefits

Students who are not eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program (i.e., veterans with less than 36 months of cumulative active-duty service) may still receive:

- Partial VA educational benefits tied to your length of service
- Need-based federal, state, and institutional financial aid determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA)
- Merit scholarships based on prior academic record

National Guard

For members of the Active, Reserve, and retired National Guard and their spouses, we offer select undergraduate and graduate degree and certificate programs for $250/credit. These programs are offered both on-line and on-site for convenience of students. Tuition and fees for the programs may be covered by the GI Bill benefit and the Army National Guard Federal Tuition and Assistance Program (FTA).

SERVICES

FDU has designed an integrated resource system to deliver services that extend beyond education. Things may have changed since you left for training or active duty. We want to help you navigate your options, assist in reuniting with families and friends, and sort through the expectations and challenges of civilian life that can be quite contrary to your more recent military experiences.

FDU welcomes all veterans and families of veterans and is ready to assist you with:

- Simplifying VA educational benefits.
- Evaluating your academic record and military educational training.
- Choosing the academic program that best suits your personal and professional goals.
- Providing expert veteran/military health and counseling services for both you and your family.
- Identifying a personalized mode of learning, including traditional classroom and online/distance learning options.
- Veterans organizations, special events & campus life.
- Financial services & resource referrals for non-educational entitlements like housing, mortgages, etc.
- Entrepreneurship mentoring for students seeking to start their own businesses.

Talk to a Veteran Advisor:
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