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Military Appreciation Football Game - September 24th

Free tickets for Volunteers!!

Call for Volunteers: Superflag is happening on September 24th this year at Rentschler Field for the UConn vs. Syracuse football game. Get in for free by volunteering to help bring the Superflag onto the field at the start of the game and to participate in the halftime activities. Please RSVP by Sept. 19th to Paul Hanlon via email at paul.hanlon@uconn.edu and include the following information:

- Last Name
- Best Phone Number
- Best Email
- UConn Affiliation (i.e. student, staff, faculty, club, etc.)

Not volunteering? You can get discounted tickets by using code "USA" when you order online.

FREE FOOD—TAILGATING AFTER EVENT

LOCATION: C-lot section of the Parking Lot

TIME: Immediately after the game.

This will be open to all volunteers who help out with the flag. Bring your appetite and enjoy some pulled pork and pulled chicken sliders from Bear's BBQ!

Marine Combat Fitness Challenge

When: Saturday, Sept. 17th at 1400

Where: UConn Outdoor Track of the Sherman Sports Complex on Storrs campus

Who: Open to anyone who is interested (sign-up in teams of 2)

This is an obstacle course that involves running, maneuvering with a partner in military positions, and carrying heavy equipment. Sponsored by UConn's Veteran Students Organization, each team of 2 people will be charged \$5 to help cover the cost of T-Shirts, if registered by Sept. 7th. The Fastest Team gets a Prize. Students can register by contacting Brittany Davis at <u>Brittany.davis@uconn.edu</u> or they can register at the event.

Veteran Students Organization (VSO)

Join the VSO :

Meet other students in the UConn Veterans Community!! The Veterans Student Organization (VSO) is a Tier II student organization of UConn undergraduate and graduate students that support veterans at the University. The VSO regularly hosts social events, holds care package drives, and works to ensure incoming veteran students are as welcome as possible. Active duty, family, and non-veterans are welcome as well! If you are interested in participating or helping out with any of these activities, or have ideas of your own, please contact us.

A weekly meeting time will be decided via poll following the involvement fair.

Samuel Surowitz is the VSO President and Veterans Program Coordinator. If you're interested in getting involved with the VSO attend our meeting or contact him at samuel.surowitz@uconn.edu.



Military/Veteran Internship Opportunity

The Middletown U.S. Department of Commerce Export Assistance Center has a limited number of internships to offer military/veteran undergraduate and graduate students considering careers in business. Interns assist with researching and analyzing regulatory, trade, and investment issues; helping prepare briefing papers, memos, and other materials; preparing responses to internal and external clients or tracking deadlines and upcoming trade events.

Interns conduct a host of duties that range from responding to telephone inquiries concerning international trade to international market research. The value of the internship is centered on the research that the student will perform for the Middletown office staff. Interns will research manufacturing and service companies to determine the extent of their international activities, assist companies in locating foreign agents and distributors for their products and services, pursue foreign sales leads provided by commercial officers and attend congressional events.

Military interns must meet the following criteria:

- Applicants must be enrolled in at least one class at an accredited college or university
- Applicants must be U.S. Citizens
- Applicants must be accustomed to working in a team environment
- Applicants must be able to follow orders and take direction well

For more information please contact: Anthony Sargis Phone: 860-638-6950 Email: Anthony.Sargis@trade.gov



Veterans Advisory Council

The Veterans Advisory Council is comprised of students, faculty, and staff at UConn who are veterans, and who want to ensure a positive impact on the lives of fellow veterans at UConn. Any student veterans are welcome to attend the upcoming Veterans Advisory Council Meetings this Fall:

Wednesday, September $28^{th} - 10a.m.$ to 11a.m. - Arjona 340Thursday, November $3^{rd} - 11a.m.$ to noon - Arjona 340 Tuesday, December $6^{th} - 11a.m.$ to noon - Arjona 340

If you're interested in serving on the Veterans Advisory Council, please contact Nikki Cole at Nikki.cole@uconn.edu.

"Uconn-Storrs Veterans" Facebook Page!

If you have a Facebook profile, consider following the "UConn-Storrs Veterans" Facebook

page. "UConn-Storrs Veterans" will be posting daily updates to Veteran events taking place on

Storrs. A dedicated staff member will be monitoring the page to answer any questions regarding upcoming events and services. Also watch out for after- event photos showcasing Veteran involvement in and around campus.

The URL for the page is: <u>http://facebook.com/</u> <u>UconnStorrsVeterans</u>



Patriot Race - November 12th

Saturday, November 12, 2016

CONNECTICUT VETERANS DAY

9:45a.m. Opening Ceremony 10:00a.m. Race Start Patriots Park (172 Lake Street, Coventry, CT)

The Connecticut Veterans Day Patriot Race is a fun event to recognize and honor our brave men and women who have served. All veterans and their families know about sacrifice and patriotism; and we encourage others to join us in celebrating and supporting them on Saturday, November 12, 2016. This 4-mile race will begin and end at Patriots Park in Coventry, CT, near the Connecticut Vietnam Memorial and the Captain Nathan Hale monument.

Sign up online at: <u>http://www.ctveteransdayrace.com/</u>

Early Registration Fee: \$25

After Oct. 15th Fee: \$30

September Veteran of the Month



The Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs at UConn is pleased to announce Ed Weingart as UConn's Veteran of the Month for September 2016.

Ed served in the CT Army National Guard from 2000 to 2009. In January 2003, Ed joined the 143rd MP Company, and deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom to Kuwait and Baghdad, Iraq. After one year they returned home to CT as the most highly decorated National Guard Unit in US history. Upon Ed's return, he transferred to the 102d Army Band as a drummer, guitar player, MC, and sound engineer. Ed also volunteered to rejoin the 143rd MP Company on their humanitarian relief mission to New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina. His awards include the Humanitarian Service Medal, Combat Action Badge, and Army Commendation Medal for valor.

Ed describes his transition from the military as "far from

seamless." At 21, after returning from overseas, Ed bought a house and started college at UConn. During his first semester he suffered from PTSD and really struggled academically. However, once he transferred to the Department of Dramatic Arts, he found his career path and a job he loved, which really helped with the transition. Additionally, Ed kept in close contact with many of the soldiers he served with, which really helped Ed, since they share such a strong bond from their combat experience together. Similar to the military, Ed says working together in the theater, everyone really has to lean on each other to survive. While the stakes may be lower than in a combat zone, Ed has found that working with his colleagues in the theater industry to create a show can also forge long-lasting bonds with people. The leadership training and experience Ed gained from the military uniquely prepared him for his career as Technical Director since he has to manage people and lead a team to build the sets for shows.

Ed is Assistant Professor of Technical Direction, the Executive Technical Director of The Connecticut Repertory Theater, and the head of the Technical Direction Masters in Fine Arts Program at UConn. Essentially, Ed's job, and what he teaches, is the planning, engineering, and execution that happens backstage in order to turn the vision for a show in to a reality on stage. Ed says what he enjoys most about his job, "is working with bright and creative young people and watching as they develop their artistic and technical talents over the course of their time at the University Even more rewarding is hearing back from my former students once they have gone out in to the world to work as they become successful in their own right." Ed says he, "also enjoys watching an audience gasp and try to figure out how we were able to make a person fly across the stage."

If you would like to nominate a student, faculty, or staff member for "Veteran of the Month," please contact Nikki Cole at <u>Nikki.cole@uconn.edu</u> with the name of the person and the reasons for your nomination.



Career Counselor On-Campus for Student Veterans

Eran Peterson is a designated career counselor on-campus for student veterans. Being a veteran himself, Eran has many years of experience assisting veterans with marketing their combined military experience with their educational experience to employers (i.e. resumes, cover letters, interviewing, etc.).

Call Eran at (860) 486-5939 or email him at Eran.Peterson@uconn.edu to schedule some time with him.

Veterans Resume Book

UConn's Center for Career Development have dedicated a place to upload your résumé which employers will have access to. A "résumé book" allows companies to find candidates without the hassle of posting jobs and sorting through hundreds of résumés.

Here is how you are going to find it: Log on to <u>HuskyCareerLink</u> and upload your résumé. Then click on Documents/ Opt-in Books. Scroll down and you will see the Veterans résumé book! It's very easy.

UConn Business/Veteran Student Career Expo

September 23, 2016

11a.m.—3p.m.

Student Union Ballroom & Rm. 304

Attention Business and Veteran Students – start your semester off strong by meeting with key corporate employers at the School of Business / Veteran Student Career Expo! Open to all School of Business students and all Veteran students of any major. Take advantage of meeting employers early in the semester before the interview season starts. The best networking also involves following up with these employers at the University Career Fair.

Questions? Contact Kathy Hendrickson at Kathy.Hendrickson@business.uconn.edu

University Career Fair

Wednesday, October 5th, 2016

11a.m.—3p.m.

Gampel Pavilion

STEM Career Fair

Thursday, October 6th, 2016

11a.m.—3p.m.

Gampel Pavilion

Questions? Contact the Center for Career Development at 860-486-3013 or career@uconn.edu

Carry On with these employers



It's time to get to work. One of the greatest benefits of completing your college education is securing employment that will aid you for the rest of your life. Each of these companies is veteran friendly-so what are you waiting for?

Company	Point of Contact	Email Address	
Access Health CT	Peter VanLoon	peter.vanloon@ct.gov	
Aetna	Jill Klepacki	klepackij@aetna.com	
AonHewitt Consulting Practice	Mike Walton	mike.walton@aonhewitt.com	
Bank of America	Lisa McNulty	lisa.a.mcnulty@bankofamerica.com	
Baystate Health	Dennis O'Brien	dennis.obrien@baystatehealth.org	*
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