

VETERANS AFFAIRS

ADVISING SERVICES

As a veteran, veteran's dependent or reservist you may be entitled to various benefits under state and federal laws. We are here to assist you in taking full advantage of the programs, services and benefits available to you while attending the University of California, Davis. The following is a description of the type of direct services we provide on a regular basis.

Admissions Information

Admissions requirements are described at admissions.ucdavis.edu. If you do not meet the admissions requirements, you may still be admitted by exception if you:

- Demonstrate academic potential, evidenced by unusual academic achievement in coursework or by motivation and maturity through achievement in non-educational settings (e.g., extracurricular activities, employment, military service record or successful adaptation to a major physical disability).
- Would not normally have access to institutions of higher learning because of lack of opportunity to prepare for university work, evidenced by an educational disadvantage, (e.g., inadequate primary or secondary education, work commitments during school or limited physical access to classrooms or course options because of disability).
- Normally would not have access to institutions of higher learning because of a social disadvantage, (e.g., lack of exposure to social mainstream, incarceration, family life disrupted by death, divorce or childhood poverty, or education interrupted by military service or traumatic disability).

If any of the previous descriptions apply to your background, or you have other special circumstances that you feel are applicable, complete an application for the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) and include any of the above applicable criteria in your personal statement. EOP applications are available from counselors at other colleges and universities in California and from the Undergraduate Admissions office at UC Davis. If there is any doubt as to whether the above criteria apply to your background, submit an application anyway. Contact the Veterans Affairs Office for assistance.

EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS AND FEE WAIVERS

We process your paperwork for Veterans Administration (VA) claims to ensure timely receipt of benefit payments. We certify your enrollment to the VA, handle the disbursement of your check, and inform you of educational assistance that is currently available. We will also prepare the necessary forms for unit or address changes, make financial aid statements on your behalf, and process any educational assistance inquiries to the VA. We would suggest that you drop by our office when you are notified of your acceptance at UC Davis so that we can explain procedures to you and process your benefit claims as soon as possible. Children of service-connected veterans with disabilities may be eligible for waiver of registration and education fees. Some restrictions apply, so check with the nearest County Veterans Service Office or drop by our office for more information.

ORIENTATION

We offer an annual orientation program to all new veterans and veterans' dependents to advise and counsel you on university procedures, the preparation of forms, the correction of military records, class enrollment priority information for veterans with a disability, and other services located throughout the Davis campus and community. Anticipate receiving an invitation to orientation after you are accepted to UC Davis. If you do not receive one, call us to find out where we will be meeting. We would like to see you there.

TUTORIAL ASSISTANCE

If an eligible veteran, reservist or dependent needs tutorial assistance, we will assist in preparing the necessary forms to be sent to the VA in order to help cover the cost of the tutoring. We also assist you in locating a qualified tutor. If you are having trouble with a class, come by and look into the advantages of tutorial assistance.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We can arrange loans for you through the Financial Aid office on a short-term basis, if assured that you will be receiving educational assistance checks in the near future. Of course, all students who demonstrate need and apply at the appropriate time will be considered for regular financial aid through the Financial Aid office.

COUNSELING AND ADVISING

We will work with you on any personal difficulties that may arise during your academic career at UC Davis. Much of our counseling is from the experienced perspective of other veterans. We also have access to resources, agencies, and academic departments for assisting in solving problems associated with scheduling classes, academic departments and course requirements.

QUESTIONS?

Veterans Affairs Office, University of California, 107 South Hall, One Shields Ave., Davis, California 95616, (530) 752-2020, M-F 8am-noon, 1-5pm, advisingervices.ucdavis.edu.

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