Creating Veteran Friendly Campuses

Student Veterans of America (SVA) is a non-profit, non-partisan 501(c)3 coalition of student veteran groups from across the country. SVA’s programs work to remove the obstacles veterans face as they pursue a college education.

SVA’s Mission:
SVA is dedicated to helping
Yesterday’s Warriors
become
Today’s Scholars
and
Tomorrow’s Leaders.
6 Critical Graduation Factors for Veterans

- Sense of Belonging on Campus
- GI Bill and Financial Aid
- Successful Transition from the Military
- Support from Academic Institution
- Physical and Mental Health Support
- Employability Following Graduation
SVA focuses on Transition Assistance to help veterans ease into their new environment, the college campus.

- Veterans Educational Transition (V.E.T.) Program
- Mental Health Initiative
- Local SVA Chapters
367 SVA Chapters
Educational Advancement
On Campus

Chapter Grants & Scholarships
- Supplement financial gaps left by the Post 9/11 GI Bill
- Implement SVA’s mission at the local level

Regional and National Conferences
- Disseminate best-practice training
- Encourage collaboration
- Provide educational opportunities and resources

Community Service Initiative
- Partnership with The Mission Continues
- Enable our members to continue serving their community
From Campus to Career

Job Placement Program

Database for targeted recruiting based on:
- Military Occupation
- Date of Service
- Degree type
- Field of study
- University
- Demographic information
2011 Legislative Priorities

- Expanding the Post 9/11 GI Bill
- Improving Mental Health Care
- Transitioning from DoD to VA
- Supporting VA Certifying Officials
- Women Veterans in College
- Careers for Graduating Veterans
Women Veterans

- Women Veterans – 1.8 million
- Top 3 Diagnosis - PTSD, Hypertension, and Depression
- 51% OEF-OIF have received VA Healthcare
- 47% are younger than 30 years old
- About 1 in 5 women have experienced some type of MST
Questions?

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