HOW TO SERVE MILITARY AND VETERAN STUDENTS IN HIGHER EDUCATION:

A Comprehensive, Scalable Model of Service Provision
MISSION:

UMass Lowell enables Military, Veteran and Dependent Students to be successful personally, academically and professionally.
Financial Stability:

1. Secure Food and Housing
2. Financial Aid/ FAFSA/ Scholarships
3. VA Compensation and Pension Application
4. VA Vocational Rehabilitation (crucial for Service Connected Reservists and National Guard members)
5. 0% Loans/ Grants
6. Advancement/ Alumni Relationships
Medical and Mental Health:

1. Referral to Vet Center located across the street from campus
2. Referral to VA Medical Center (5 VAs within 50 miles)
3. Referral to Home Base Program
4. On campus peer support groups

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Social Support:

1. Building a cohesive Student Veteran community
   A. Veterans Office and Lounge
   B. Orientation
   C. SVO
   D. Peer to Peer Mentoring & Cohorts within Majors
   E. Veteran Military Ball
   F. SALUTE National Honor Society
   G. Graduate Recognition Dinner
   H. Aiguillette and Honor Cords

2. Connecting Alumni Veterans & Student Veterans
   A. Alumni Hall of Fame
   B. Scholarships
   C. Veterans Week

3. Student Veterans Community Service
   A. SVO
   B. National Veterans Organizations
Academic Support:

1. Cohort within Majors
2. Peer Veteran Tutoring
3. Organizational Skills and Time Management Training
4. University Academic Support
5. Assistance with Academic Probation and Suspension Issues
6. Deployment Policy
7. Withdrawal Assistance

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Career Employment:

1. Co-Ops/Internships and Career Employment through University’s Career Services
2. Co-ops/Internships and Career Employment through Mass High Tech Council
3. EDGE4VETS Seminars on Career Employment with Senior HR representatives from International Companies
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