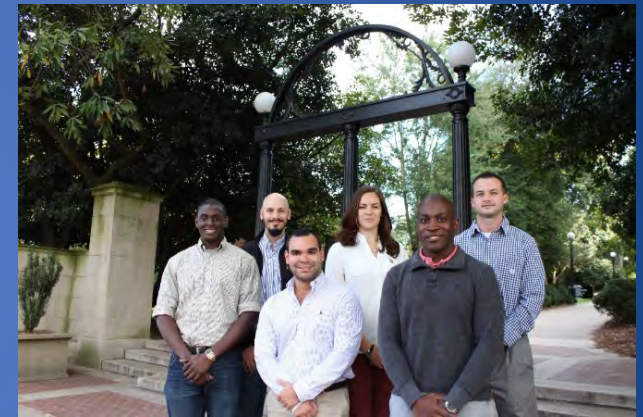


University System of Georgia RACAA/RACSA MILITARY/VETERAN OVERVIEW



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AGENDA

- USG overview & inside the numbers
- Why USG
- Campus initiatives & Best Practices
- Questions



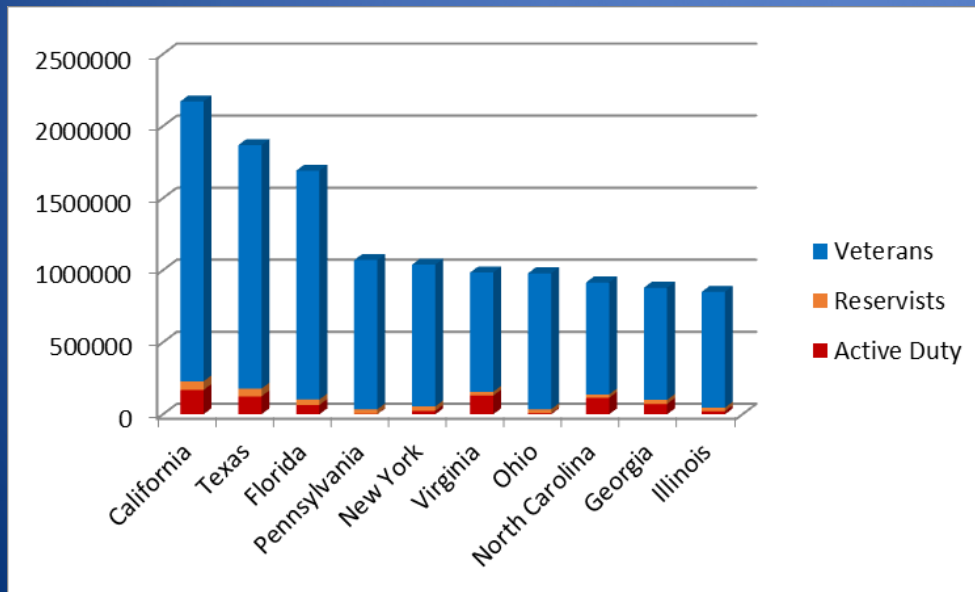
USG Inside The Numbers

- 8000+ Students utilizing VA Educational Benefits (many more students)
- 1200+ Veterans graduating Spring 17
- 28 Institution w/ dedicated veteran/military student space (100%)
- 28 Institutions w/h priority registration for veterans (100%)
- 25 Veteran/military recognition at graduation
- 8 Schools ranked by *Military Times: Best Colleges 2018*
 - *Only 140 nationwide (USG has 2 in Top 10, 6 in Top 100)
- 2 USG institutions in *Military Times* "TOP 10 Cyber programs"
- 0 State with more public IHL in Best for Vets Top 10



Inside The Numbers

- Over 750,000 veterans
- 5th largest active duty population
- In GA, approx 750 a MONTH separate/retire from military
- Approx 9% of Georgians have worn the uniform
- Georgia is often seen as a leader in serving veterans



Inside the Numbers & Student Veterans

Items to Consider:

85% are 24 or older (SVA)

79% are enrolled in public institutions (VA)

47% have a family (SVA)

29% of 18-24 year olds are elig for military

27% of enrolled vets are female (SVA)

200K leave the service each year (DOD)



BONUS:
volunteerism, civic engagement,
& leadership

USG Promotes Best Practices

- Orientation
 - Adult Learner or Vet specific
 - Slightly different focus
- Peer Mentor Programs
 - Got Your 6
 - ACP
- Veterans Day observations
- Awareness Programs
 - OCP Sponsorship
 - Green Zone



USG Initiatives

- Fees waived for military using tuition assistance
- Veteran/Military Centers (100% USG schools have a dedicated space/office on campus...in 2014 was 33%)
- Priority Registration for student vets using GI Bill (100% of USG schools - 25% back in 2015)
- Graduation recognition (85% schools)
- Recent Policy Revisions:
 - Details on next slide ... GA leads the way
- Collaboration among USG and TCSG
 - Core articulation (27 courses)
- 100% President's Principles of Excellence



USG Initiatives/Policies

- Fees waived for military using DOD tuition assistance
- Out of State Waivers for
 - Military stationed in GA (and family)
 - Recently separated military and family (within 36 months of mil retirement/separation)
 - Recently separated military and family (within 120 months of mil retirement/separation if using VA benefits)
 - Any student using transferred GI Bill benefits from a currently serving military member
 - Child of currently serving military member previously assigned in GA in last 5 years or child completed 1 year of HS in GA *



CAMPUS INITIATIVES



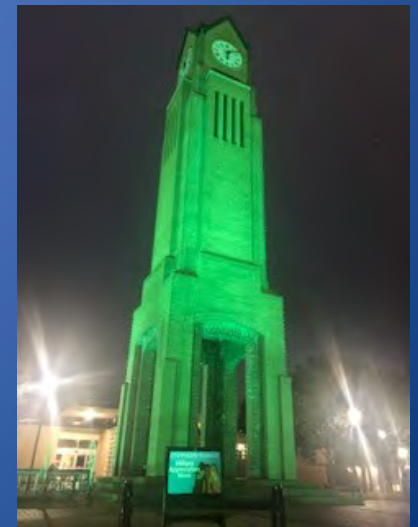
CAMPUS INITIATIVES

- Student Veteran Organization
- Priority Registration
- Veterans Resource/Outreach Center
- Graduation recognition



Campus Initiatives

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 - Navigating higher ed ... provide them tools!
- Peer Mentor Programs
- Student veteran/military centers
- Veterans Day observations
- Awareness Programs



Campus Veteran Centers



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Graduation Recognition



From VA:

Grad rate almost identical nationally compared to non-veteran (2002-13)

Business Administration (19%) and Liberal Arts (31%) are most preferred degree fields

Post 9/11 GI Bill students are predominantly FT (6X PT rate)

Over 1200 student veterans graduated Spring 2017 !

QUESTIONS?

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GCSU is our most recent addition – Well Done!