VETERAN SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT
PRESENTED AND CREATED BY:
THE CURRENT CREW
SOME BACKGROUND

• The Post 9/11 G.I. Bill is one of the most innovative and generous educational benefits ever created.
  • Pays tuition (~ of $2,523.50 for 12 credits).
  • Pays fees (~ $540.51 for 12 credits).
  • Awards an annual $1,000 book stipend.
  • Pays for tutorial assistance (up to $1,200 annually).
  • Pays a monthly living stipend of $1,299 per month.
  • Does not count against them for financial aid.
POST 9/11 G.I. BILL USERS

Since the Post 9/11 G.I. Bill was introduced (Fall of 2009) students receiving the benefit have more than doubled.

Fall 2009: 186 certs.

Spring 2011: 425 certs.
ACCOMPLISHMENTS OUTSIDE OF THE VET SERVICES OFFICE

• 41st Brigade Return.

• Viking Vet Checklist for orientation.

• Info pamphlet for UASC (with Becky).

• 2 stories about the Vet Services Office in local media (Vanguard and Communications Department, does that count as “local media”?).

• Tyler’s Award (video – this is rad)

• Deans’ Workshop.

• Met with SBA Graduate advisers (Jeff and Caliopy) about veteran MBA students.

• Advisors Workshop.

• Re-design of 104 Neuberger Hall (Jake!)
REACHING OUT TO VETS THROUGH OTHER CAMPUS SERVICE OFFICES

- Student Activities and Leadership and the SVA.
- The Women’s Resource Center.
- The Queer Resource Center.
- Orientation (2 vets as OIs).
- Career Resource Center.
- Financial Aid workshop for SVA.
COLLEGE SUCCESS FOR VETERANS

- Course Name: UNST 199/399.
- Meeting Times: Mon. and Wed. from 2 - 3:25 p.m.
- Professor: Greg Flores.
- CRN: 15497 (for freshmen & sophomores).
- CRN: 15499 (for juniors & seniors).
- Designed for students who are receiving benefits through the G.I. Bill or who have served in the military.
...OHH, AND THE NEW WEB SITE
A LITTLE PERSPECTIVE

- There are more than 8 million troops eligible for G.I. Bill benefits nation wide, as of 2010.
TUITION AND FEES PAID DIRECTLY TO PSU FROM THE VA
TOTAL CASH PAID FROM CH. 31 AND CH. 33 DURING 2010

$5,103,532.92
## OTHER PAYMENTS GENERATED FROM VA CERTIFICATIONS DURING 2010

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<th>Monthly Housing Payments</th>
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<td>Fall 2010</td>
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GRAND TOTAL JAKE AND ALLEN ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR BETWEEN SUMMER 2010 – SUMMER 2011

- $5,103,535.92 (paid directly to school by VA)
- $6,053,683.90 (paid to students by VA)

- $11,157,219.82
CERTIFICATIONS PER YEAR (ALL TERMS INCLUDED)

Number of Certifications

- Total Certs

38% Increase in Annual Certifications Since the implementation of the Post 9/11 G.I. Bill (Fall 2009)
We’ve had 4 Vet. Service Officers

- Ron Kincade
- James Majors
- That One Lady
- Bill Seaton

I’m sure they all did a great job.
OK, NOW FOR THE NUMBERS . . .

- 2,978 certifications between Fall 2010 and Summer 2011.
- 744 certifications per term average.
- $6.29 million in tuition (Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer).
- $893,869.72 in fees (Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer).
- $4.86 million in housing allowances authorized.
- $500,400 in book stipend money authorized.
A PORTRAIT OF A PSU VETERAN STUDENT
## WHO OUR VETERANS ARE

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<td>Average G.P.A.</td>
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Alright. Who’s Smarter?
Ladies: 3.15
Gents: 3.02
# Nationalities

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WHAT THEY ARE STUDYING …

• Business: 19%
• Electronic Engineering: 6%
• History: 5%
• Undeclared/Undecided: 5%
• CCJ: 3%
• Grad Students: 8%
BRANCH OF SERVICE

- U.S. Air Force (Hoorah): 19%
- Army: 43%
- Coast Guard: 2%
- Navy: 17%
- Marines: 19%
69% of those veterans receiving G.I. Bill payments at PSU have seen active combat.
FUTURE PLANS ...
LOBBY AS OF JULY 2011
LOBBY AS OF SEPT 2011
MORE RECRUITMENT

- Jake and Allen don’t know about fairs, expos, events and workshops unless we are told about them. So please help us and keep an ear to the track.
- A more helpful and concise Yellow Ribbon Program.
- CCJ-Online is a popular program and should be paid attention to. (Especially with the changes in housing)
- Please, can we start the hard, long slog of going paperless?
- We need to get out more. (National Conference in Irving Texas 17- 20 July)
- Develop a more accurate, tailored and direct communication plan with our entire population with targeted communication to each individual chapter.
- Improve the Web site and its usefulness. We should have certifications online. PCC does.
- More stories in local media.
- Don’t ever underestimate the diversity held within the veteran population. From SEALS to Rangers to PJs to surviving spouses to children to fathers.
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