



Pursue a Rewarding Career With an Advanced Certificate in Veterans Services



Go beyond simple training in programs and benefits to:

- » Enhance your ability to advocate for veterans and do effective outreach
- » Gain insight into the needs and culture of specific veteran populations
- » Deepen your understanding of the evolving politics of veterans services

This fully online, 12-credit program allows you to fit graduate study into your busy life:

- » Veterans Services and Public Policy (3 credits)
- » Veterans Outreach, Services and Advocacy (3 credits)
- » Veterans Programs and Benefits (3 credits)
- » Military and Veteran Culture: Developing Cultural Competence (3 credits)



“Hundreds of thousands of veterans and their dependents need services from providers who have a basic understanding of the military experience. The program provides valuable insight into benefits programs and the challenges faced by both veterans and the people working in the Veterans Administration. It emphasizes working toward realistic solutions for and with veterans. I would highly recommend this program to anyone who seeks to work with veterans and their families, now or in the future.”

Christine Bridges
Army veteran, Army spouse, Family Readiness Group (FRG) advisor to the 2nd Brigade Special Troops Battalion at Fort Drum and facilitator/trainer, Employment Workshops at Fort Drum

Why SUNY Empire State College?

- » nationally recognized veteran friendly institution
- » recipient ACE/Wal-Mart Success for Veterans Award
- » Military Times: “2014: Best for Vets”
- » low in-state tuition for all military and veteran students
- » eligible for VA and TA funding



“The certificate in veterans services was amazing. Not only did I gain a better appreciation for veterans and military culture, I developed a skill set that greatly enhanced my ability to excel in my career. Even as an eight-year military veteran and a professional veterans service provider, I learned more than I could have imagined. You’re being taught by, and you go to class with, veterans services professionals who are the best in the country at what they do. The networking opportunities are amazing and I continue to collaborate with instructors and former classmates. It was an incredible experience and it helped me take my career to the next level.”

Jeremy James Bagley
Veterans’ Affairs coordinator and VA certifying official, Nazareth College of Rochester



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