

Manual of Policies and Procedures for the Veterans Resource Center

Chapter 15. Veterans Resource Center (VRC)

Subchapter 15-100. General Provisions

Sec. 15-101. Purpose

a. The mission of the Veterans Resource Center is to provide a pipeline of information including resources, support, and advocacy for student veterans and dependents to utilize in order to create successful leaders on campus, in the community, and Smith County. Services and programs hosted by the VRC are designed to meet a variety of goals including:

1. Supporting and securing benefits for Veterans to use for educational finance, personal growth, and academic success in a safe and confidential environment,
2. Providing space for educational, social, and personal growth for Veterans,
3. Providing resources and consultative services for Veterans from Veterans,
4. Providing a stress-free environment for Veterans to study, network, and relax to bring greater educational, personal, and professional growth.
5. Provide counseling to Veterans with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).
6. Provide a place of comfort for Veterans in order to enable Veterans to use their full potential in education, person, and professional accomplishment.

Sec. 15-102. Definitions

a. In this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

1. "Coordinator" is a full time UT Tyler employee who is in charge of veteran administration, counseling, community affairs, campus affairs, conferences, budgeting, assessment, development, work study positions, and public relations.
2. "Federal work study student" is a veteran who is a student at The University of Texas at Tyler and assists the coordinator with counseling, community affairs, campus affairs, and public relations, who works for the Federal Government that is only able to assist the Veterans Resource Center by law.
3. "Active duty" is someone who is currently on active duty orders for any branch of the United States Armed Forces.
4. "Reservist" is someone who is currently in the reserve for any branch of the United States Armed Forces.
5. "Veteran" is someone who has served and been discharged from any branch of the United States Armed Forces.
6. "Dependent" is someone who is a child or spouse of a Veteran who has served and been discharged from any branch of the United States Armed Forces.

Sec. 15-103. Introduction

The VRC can assist with finding veterans or dependents resources for everything and anything Veteran related: PTSD withdrawal for active military service, connecting to local veterans organizations, r state or federal Veterans benefits including but not limited to Hazlewood, G.I. Bill, etc. Services are available to all Veterans or their dependents in the state of Texas. Services are also available to any active duty military personal or reservist of the United States Armed Forces.

Subchapter 15.200. Administration

Sec. 15-201. Administration of VRC

- a. The VRC is staffed by a coordinator and federal work study students.
- b. Veterans and dependents should be aware that during peak enrollment times the VRC may require appointments to be made with the coordinator to be best assist all students. During non-peak enrollment, the coordinator will be available to meet with veterans and dependents to assist without appointment.