



THE VETERAN
STUDENT EXPERIENCE
DREXEL UNIVERSITY



FROM YOUR MILITARY FAMILY TO OUR DRAGON COMMUNITY



Welcome! Your path to this moment has been one full of dedication and standing up for what you know is right, and we respect the tough decisions you have made to get here. As a valued member of our Drexel University community, you will be guided through every step of your transition from military life to collegiate life and beyond. Through academic and social programming, support services, and financial benefits, we are committed to providing world-class opportunities to all members of the military. We know you have specific goals, needs, and concerns and we are dedicated to partnering with you, right where you are, to address each of them.

WHY DREXEL?

Home to nearly 700 student-veterans and military-dependents, we are proud of our status as a military-friendly campus and are committed to ensuring that your Drexel journey is one full of encouragement, from beginning to end. While our innovative academic structure will drive you to reach your maximum potential, our University community, including veteran-specific organizations, will make certain that you feel sustained and celebrated throughout your time here.

From the very beginning, our Undergraduate Admissions team will ensure a smooth application process. Through the assistance of admissions experts, you will be guided by the very best throughout the on-boarding process. With a long-standing tradition of bringing student-veterans into our Drexel family, we are fully equipped to address any and all questions you may have.

Throughout your entire time at Drexel, the Center for Military and Veteran Services will ensure your access to high-quality campus services and programs. The Steinbright Career Development Center, in addition to all they do to support our students professionally, offers a specialized version of their COOP 101 career preparation course for student-veterans to help connect your experiences prior to Drexel to future co-op and career endeavors.

Drexel's unique model combines advanced academics with experiential learning. With the support of advisors, you'll develop an interdisciplinary path designed to meet your goals.

For more information about all of the ways Drexel supports its student-veterans, visit drexel.edu/admissions/military-veterans.

A NETWORK OF SUPPORT

“*With the help and support of Center for Military and Veteran Services, transitioning from the army to Drexel has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life, both personally and academically.*”

– Kevin Wilkison,
Construction Management

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drexel.edu/admissions/military-veterans

EDUCATION BENEFITS

We are proud to be a Yellow Ribbon institution, providing full tuition and covering University fees to an unlimited number of eligible veterans for full- and part-time graduate, doctoral, and professional programs, both on campus and online.

COMMONLY UTILIZED BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Post 9/11 GI Bill^{®*}, including the Yellow Ribbon Program
- Montgomery GI Bill^{®*}
- Reserve Educational Assistance Program
- Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program
- Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment

For more information about our education benefits for veterans, visit drexel.edu/drexelcentral/financing/veterans.

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Drexel has a thriving student life, with the opportunity to be involved in over 300 clubs and organizations, including more than 75 Spiritual/Religious and Identity-based organizations, 18 Division I sports teams, and many academic and professional organizations.

Providing thoughtful engagement opportunities for our veteran community members is deeply important to us. That is why each year, we hold the following community events that include, but are not limited to:

- Student-veteran Welcome Week Orientation and BBQ Reception
- Family Weekend, where members of the military and their families receive special recognition
- Memorial Day Primer, honoring members of the U.S. armed services who gave their lives in service
- Veterans Appreciation Month Programming, including the city of Philadelphia's annual Veterans Day parade, as well as Drexel's Veterans Day tribute

*GI Bill is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).



YOUR COMMUNITY AT DREXEL

Programs and organizations dedicated to championing the veteran experience at Drexel include the Drexel Veterans Academic and Career Committees, the Drexel Veterans Task Force, the Office of Counseling and Health Services, and New Beginnings, in addition to:

- **Military Transition Program (MTP)** — In partnership with an academic advisor, the MTP assists identified student-veterans with the goal of admission into the student's preferred major.
- **Drexel Veterans Association** — Helps student-veterans manage and respond to the variety of unique experiences associated with transitioning from military life to student life.
- **Drexel Veterans Alumni Network** — Unites the alumni veteran network at Drexel through collaborative partnerships with the University.
- **Drexel Veterans Colleague Resource Group** — Promotes a community that emphasizes, celebrates, and supports Drexel's veteran experience through active mentorship.
- **Drexel Women Veterans Network** — Strengthens the community among Drexel's female veteran-students, faculty, and staff.
- **Veteran Colleague Resource Group** — Focuses on addressing the needs of Drexel's employee-veterans.

Our students come from many diverse backgrounds and places around the world. Each contributes a unique piece to our welcoming and inclusive community. We hope that you will make the decision to join us.

For further information on all of the resources we provide for our veteran students, visit drexel.edu/admissions/military-veterans.

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