



# **Military & Veteran Student Support Services Guide**

**The Ohio State University**

## **Office of Military & Veterans Services**

**185 Student Academic Services Building**

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**Columbus, OH 43210**

**614-247-VETS**

**Michael Carrell, Assistant Provost & Director, 614-292-3898**

**Michael Forrest, Director, Veterans Transition & Services, 614, 292-7047**

**Melissa Boyd, Senior Veterans Benefits Specialist, 614-688-1579**

**Gina Lee, Veterans Benefits Specialist, 614-292-3453**

This office is the university's single point of contact for all military and veterans services and concerns. The office strives to ensure the academic success of Ohio State's student-veterans. Any student utilizing VA education benefits must work with this office as part of their registration and enrollment in The Ohio State University.

Some of the office's responsibilities include:

**Manage** the VA certification and registration for all Veterans education benefits to which student-veterans and their dependents are entitled.

**Coordinate** all VA benefit and payment activities with the Student Services Center, including the Office of the Registrar, the Bursar, and Student Records.

**Assist** students with accessing essential university services such as Academic Exploration & Counseling, Student Advocacy, Counseling & Consultation, and Disability Services.

**Connect** students with State and Federal agencies that support veterans.

## **Career Connection**

2nd Floor, Younkin Success Center  
1640 Neil Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43210  
614-688-3440  
careerconnection.osu.edu

Career Connection provides individualized career assistance to Veterans who are current undergraduate and graduate students. Limited services are also provided to recent graduates. Their services include one on one career counseling, job campaign assistance, workshops and group counseling, and career assessments and resources.

## **Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center**

420 North James Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43219  
614-257-5393  
Jason DiGiannantoni  
OEF/OIF Outreach Coordinator

This office assists Veterans in registering and access their Federal VA Health Care. They also provide counseling on transitioning back from Iraq and Afghanistan, along with navigating the VA health care system. They can provide important information and schedule appointments in the local VA Hospital in Columbus, which includes one of only 3 Comprehensive women's clinics in the country. This office brings a mobile VA van to campus a couple times a month to simplify the process for Veterans on campus. They work closely with the OSU Office of Veterans Affairs.

## **Counseling and Consultation Service**

4th Floor, Younkin Success Center  
1640 Neil Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43210  
614-292-5766  
ccs.osu.edu

CCS is composed of independently licensed psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers and counselors who work to create an atmosphere where Veterans can examine and discuss freely and confidentially personal concerns of any type. Additionally, the therapists at CCS are aware of the unique challenges returning Veterans may encounter and are well trained in assisting Veterans with managing such challenges. Our staff is committed to helping Veterans identify, prioritize, and implement strategies to address their specific concerns and challenges.

## **Franklin County Veterans Service Office**

250 West Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215  
614-462-2500

This agency can register and administer all Veterans programs for Veterans in Franklin County, including those students who reside on-campus. If the member is residing outside Franklin County, they can refer them to their local county office—every county in Ohio has one. They provide access to all VA programs and referrals and assistance for VA health care.

## **Office for Disability Services**

150 Pomerene Hall  
1760 Neil Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43210  
614-292-3307  
[ods.ohio-state.edu/Veteran-students](http://ods.ohio-state.edu/Veteran-students)

ODS offers a variety of individualized accommodations and support services for students with documented disabilities, including Learning Disabilities, Deafness/Hearing Difficulty, Blindness/Low Vision, Mobility Limitations, Attention Deficit Disorders (ADD/ADHD), Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Traumatic Brain Injuries, Medical Disabilities, Temporary Disabilities, and Autism Spectrum Disorders.

## **Scarlet and Gray Financial Services**

Student Wellness Center  
B130 RPAC  
337 W. 17th Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43210  
614-292-4527  
[swc.osu.edu](http://swc.osu.edu)

Scarlet & Gray Financial is a student organization that offers free and confidential financial advice and education to Ohio State students.

## Student Advocacy Center

1120 Lincoln Tower  
1800 Cannon Drive  
Columbus, Ohio 43210  
614-292-1111  
[studentlife.osu.edu/advocacy](http://studentlife.osu.edu/advocacy)

The mission of the Student Advocacy Center is to assist students in resolving problems that they encounter at Ohio State, navigating OSU's policies and procedures, and in cutting through university bureaucracy. Student-Veterans can contact the Student Advocacy Center as a starting point for virtually any issue and receive guidance on how to proceed, as well as help throughout the process.

## Vets4Vets Student Organization

[vets4vets.org.ohio-state.edu](http://vets4vets.org.ohio-state.edu)  
[OSUVets4Vets@gmail.com](mailto:OSUVets4Vets@gmail.com)  
Samantha Allen, Current President

This organization provides domestic and international Veterans of military service an organization to transition to student life at The Ohio State University, while providing them resources to succeed and share their unique and similar experiences through community involvement, academics, and a social network. They participate in the University's Veterans Orientation/Transition program and can help Veterans navigate all aspects of life at Ohio State and the surrounding communities.

## Welcome Veterans Stickers



Display one of these stickers in your office to let student-Veterans know you have taken the time to learn about their needs and are committed to helping them excel in college.

## For More Information

For more information about student-Veterans on campus, be sure to visit  
[veterans.osu.edu](http://veterans.osu.edu)