

Student Veteran Resource Center (SVRC) Mission and Regulations

Veteran Services Mission, Vision and Goals

Veteran Affairs Mission

To provide, facilitate, and coordinate programs and services for student veterans.

Veteran Affairs Vision

To be vigilant in providing veteran-centered services to ensure that every veteran succeeds.

Veteran Affairs Goals

- To provide high quality student-centered veteran services for student veterans and their families in order to ensure their academic and personal success.
- To ensure that veterans receive streamlined information related to their education, financial, and personal benefits in order to provide a smooth entry to College and sustain that culture throughout their College experience.
- To provide an environment that is welcoming and supportive of our veterans that generates a strong help-seeking culture.
- To develop meaningful relationships with every enrolled student veteran.
- To provide transition support for student veterans through ongoing assessment of student needs and referral of resources.
- To recruit veterans and bolster overall student enrollment.
- To commit to ongoing research and development of best practices so that the College may ensure we are best serving those who have served for us.
- To foster strong relationships with external constituencies in order to maximize available resources for veterans.

Student Veteran Resource Center Mission

To provide an academic and social space that is welcoming, comfortable, clean, enjoyable, and academically conducive for the needs of SUNY Cobleskill student veterans and dependents.

Student Veteran Resource Center Goals

- To provide high quality student-centered veteran services for SUNY Cobleskill student veterans and their dependents.
- To provide a sanctuary, or “safe space”, where student veterans feel comfortable to seek assistance or discuss any challenges that may arise.
- To make contact with every enrolled student veteran with the goal
- To provide a social space where student veterans can interact with peers and establish camaraderie through relationship development.
- To provide an academic area that is conducive to the academic needs of student veterans.

- To provide transition support for student veterans through ongoing assessment of student needs and referral of resources.
- To provide peer to peer support through the Veteran Affairs Work Study (VAWS) program.
- To provide a venue that is supportive of the Student Veterans Association.

SVRC Regulations

The SVRC is open and available to all student veterans, dependents and non-veteran members of the Student Veteran Association. It is our Mission to provide a space that is welcoming, comfortable, clean, academically conducive and enjoyable for our veterans. As veterans who are proud of our center, we strive to have a space that is a showcase of pride to the greater community. We embody the idea of military grade cleanliness and strive to have a space that is always *inspection ready*. In order to provide the best venue possible and maximize success, there are several regulations in place to help maintain the appropriate decorum for the space.

- The SVRC welcomes visitors/guests of veterans in the SVRC.
 - Visitors must be hosted by a student veteran (Host must be present in SVRC).
 - Resources are for Veterans first. In the event that the resources are being fully utilized, non-veterans (including non-veteran SVA members) must defer to veterans.
 - Children must be under the direct supervision of the parent/guardian at all times.
- All SVRC participants are expected to abide by the campus student conduct code at all times.
- All SVRC participants are expected to behave in a respectful manner at all times. SVRC staff have the authority to temporarily remove SVRC privileges if a student is in noncompliance.
- All SVRC participants are required to treat the space with dignity and respect (like their own home).
 - Participants must dispose of trash and clean-up after themselves at all times. Cleaning supplies are available by request with SVRC staff.
 - Participants must wash dishes immediately after using them.
 - Participants must not leave food/leftovers in the fridge for more than a week. and must wash dishes immediately after using them.
- Any damage of any sort (including accidental/careless damage) should be reported immediately.
- The SVRC is not liable for any personal belongings left in the space. SVRC participants are responsible/liable for their own property.
- Participants who do not follow the rules will be reminded of the regulations and requested to adjust behavior. Any alleged incidents will be submitted to the Director of Veteran Affairs for review. Depending on the severity and/or frequency of violations, the participant's privilege to utilize the SVRC will be subject to review and possibly result in loss of privilege.
- Pets are only permissible as outlined by the campus pet policy. All pets must be under the control of the dog handler at all times.