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## Military-Themed Late Night and Game Night

The Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs is working in conjunction with Student Activities to host a military-themed Late Night on **March 24**. UConn Late Night provides UConn students with free, fun, exciting quality entertainment on Friday and Saturday nights in the Student Union.



On the same night, from 6:30p.m. to 8:30p.m. Doug Bernstein's Game room (located on the Ground Floor of the Student Union) will be free for all Veterans and family members. A **FREE TACO BAR** will be available to Veterans and family members starting at 6:30 in the Veterans Oasis (S.U. Rm. 224).

## Male Survivors of Sexual Assault Forum

March 27, at 1 pm in Student Union Rm #304

VAWPP (Violence Against Women Prevention Program), Veteran Affairs and Military Programs along with the Veteran Student Organization will be hosting the MAVEN foundation to talk about Male Sexual assault survivors in the Military.

The Forum will consist of Two Survivors sharing their stories and then opening up a discussion with the audience.

We invite all students who are available to attend.

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## March 22nd VSO meeting!

### Free Food at the March 22nd VSO meeting!

11:00 AM in the Veteran's Oasis

This is the "Big" meeting. This meeting will cover all upcoming events and activities for Veterans in March and April.

And there is a lot of awesome stuff going on!

- Late Night
- Aroma Therapy
- Veterans Base Camp Rally Day
- Veteran's Ball!



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## UConn Men's Self-Defense Class

The UConn Police Department in partnership with the University of Connecticut are working together to reaffirm the goal of providing the highest level of safety and well-being to the UConn community by offering a men's self-defense class free-of-charge. The class is offered to students and staff within the University Community.

The goal of this men's self-defense class is to provide realistic self-defense options to men regardless of their physical conditioning through the "R.A.D for Men" systems of self-defense. Students and staff at all levels of ability, age, experience, and strength will be provided with techniques and information that can be effectively used from the first day of class in everyday situations. R.A.D. for men stands for Resisting Aggression with Defense and is designed to empower men to resist/escape aggression while learning to defend themselves when confronted with aggressive behavior.

This 12 hour course (4 classes) will be held on Tuesday nights starting March 21st through April 11th 2017, each class starts at 5:30 pm and ends by 8:30pm. Class will be held at UConn's Shippee Hall lower level Pequot Room. Participants must attend all 4 classes in order to complete the course, which will include risk awareness, prevention, and bystander information as well as the physical hands on self-defense skills.

**Class size is limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis.** Online enrollment for this class begins March 1st, 2017. To register for this class visit our website at <http://publicsafety.uconn.edu/police/education-and-programs/self-defense-classes/self-defense-program-sign-up-interest-form/>



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# Army ROTC RECAP

**January 27<sup>th</sup>** – LTC Daniel H. Edwan addressed Army ROTC Cadets on what it truly means to be a professional in the armed forces. During LTC Edwan’s interactive discussion, he spoke extensively to the interconnectedness of the moral and professional aspects of the military profession. He continued to detail why trust and duty is imperative to a future officers success in a changing military and world. LTC Edwan outlined the major takeaway as understanding the five tenants to the army profession: trust, honorable service, military expertise, stewardship of the profession, esprit de corps. Cadets of the Nathan Hale Battalion expressed their gratitude to LTC Edwan at the conclusion of his speech for the life-long lessons they were able to take away.



**January 28<sup>th</sup>** – University of Connecticut Army ROTC Cadets hosted a sweat-dropping, team building workout session with UConn’s Division One men’s soccer team. The event consisted of four different challenges, all of which implemented strenuous physical exercises, mentally tough puzzles, and most importantly, team cohesive strategies. The athletes did everything from 400-meter buddy carries to crossing a one-rope bridge, getting a glimpse into the training of our future Army officers. The UConn sports teams and Cadets have built strong relations over the past few years, and the Army ROTC program wishes to continue testing the limits of all of its school’s athletes.



# Job Search Resources for Student Veterans

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## Career Counselor On-Campus for Student Veterans

**Eran Peterson** is a designated career counselor on-campus for student veterans. Being a veteran himself, Eran has many years of experience assisting veterans with marketing their combined military experience with their educational experience to employers (i.e. resumes, cover letters, interviewing, etc.).

Call Eran at (860) 486-5939 or email him at [Eran.Peterson@uconn.edu](mailto:Eran.Peterson@uconn.edu) to schedule some time with him.

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## ACP & UConn - Spring 2017 Mentorships Available

Start the Spring Semester with a professional career coach through ACP's Veteran Mentoring Program!

[American Corporate Partners](#) (ACP), helps veterans achieve career goals through a free national mentorship program and is a proud partner of the Student Veterans of America (SVA). Hundreds of student veterans have already taken advantage of these opportunities with great success — check out some of their stories on ACP's [website!](#)

### What ACP offers:

A one-on-one yearlong mentorship with a corporate professional in a career field of your interest. ACP Mentors come from one of 60+ companies like 21st Century Fox, Deloitte, GE, Intel, Johnson & Johnson, Lockheed Martin, USAA and [many others](#).

### What you can gain from an ACP Mentorship:

- Learn about career/internship opportunities
- Build a network of professionals
- Improve your resume and interview skills
- Translate your military experience into civilian terms
- Learn how to advance at your current job



To start your mentorship, visit [www.acp-usa.org/mentoring](http://www.acp-usa.org/mentoring) to apply today and note that you were referred by UCONN on your application and please indicate which campus. If you have questions, please email Avi Mayville at [amayville@acp-usa.org](mailto:amayville@acp-usa.org)

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## Save the Date: April 14

Something Awesome is Coming!  
Start getting your Suits and Dresses  
Ready!

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# March Veteran of the Month

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The Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs at UConn is pleased to announce Nathan Baxter as UConn's Veteran of the Month for March 2017.

Nathan Baxter served 4.5 years in the Army as light and mechanized Infantryman with 3 years of Connecticut National Guard service. Throughout his time in active duty he was stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado Springs, Colorado under 4<sup>th</sup> ID 1-66 AR. During his active duty service, he was deployed twice; once in Kandahar, Afghanistan for 1 year followed by another deployment for 4 months in Kuwait. Not wishing to continue his service on active duty Nathan got out in 2014 with his ETS aligning with the date he learned of his acceptance to UConn at the Avery Point Campus. During the ETS process Nathan joined 1-102 HHC of New Haven CT to continue his service. Under this new leadership he has gone to both WLC (Warrior leadership course) and Mountain Warfare School, from which he graduated on the commandants list with a score of 993/1000.

Nathan is pursuing a degree in Political Science with intent to one day impede political corruption. He did not always think about attending college, but with the opportunity through the G.I. Bill and through learning more about himself on active duty, he realized pursuing a college degree was possible. In his adult life he has always taken challenges head on with the zeal of a door-to-door salesman, he never quits and always achieves his goals. At UConn Nathan is a member of the VSO and was a member of GSA at Avery Point. On top of his membership in the VSO Nathan is also the newly appointed ex-officio Senator that represents the Oasis and UConn's Veteran population, a position that was created in UConn's Student Government legislation last semester.

Within this position he aims to ensure veteran opinions are heard in speech, rather than just in writing or not heard altogether. On top of that, in this position he wishes to serve the student body. Nathan says, "when in service we serve the people and continue to do so even when not in service." Nathan's patriotism to the betterment of the people never dwindles. The same applies to Nathan's focus on improving veteran affairs on campus.

If you would like to nominate a student, faculty, or staff member for "Veteran of the Month," please contact Nikki Cole at [nikki.cole@uconn.edu](mailto:nikki.cole@uconn.edu) with the name of the person and reasons for your nomination.



## Carry On with these employers



It's time to get to work. One of the greatest benefits of completing your college education is securing employment that will aid you for the rest of your life. Each of these companies is veteran friendly—so what are you waiting for?



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