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November NEWSLETTER

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Meet Our Team



Makenna Trevers

What's your role at VETS?
Admin assistant to the director.

What's your year and major?
"Sophomore studying Political Science and Public Affairs."

What's your favorite spot on campus?
'VETS Center!!!

What's your two-cents?
"Always say yes! You don't know what you'll miss out on if you don't get out of your comfort zone. You could make a million memories but only if you give yourself the opportunity to have fun."

Subcribe to our newsletter!



Welcome to November, Wildcats!

November is here, and we've got plenty happening this month! Join us for Midweek Munchies on November 4 and 18, and look out for opportunities to celebrate our military-connected community, including the Veterans Flag Ceremony and Military Appreciation & First Responder Night at Arizona Hockey on November 12. There are also scholarships, career opportunities, and academic resources to explore throughout this issue! 📚

With Veterans Day approaching, we want to thank the veterans, service members, and military families who are part of our VETS community. Your experiences, dedication, and support for one another help make this Center feel like home. We're grateful for you this month and every month. 💛

A quick reminder: the VETS Center will be closed November 11 for Veterans Day and November 26-27 for Thanksgiving. As assignments pile up, remember that free academic support is available at the Center and on Discord. You don't have to navigate the final stretch alone!

Wishing you a November filled with good company, well-earned breaks, and plenty of reasons to be thankful! Happy November, Wildcats! 🦃🐻⬇️

From MCBC:

Military Connected Benefits & Certifications
SUMC, Rm 404V | Mon-Fri 0830-1630
📧 Veterans@arizona.edu
🌐 registrar.arizona.edu/mcbc
☎️ (520) 621-9501



Hello Military-Connected Students,

Just a reminder that **Priority Registration** for Winter 2026 and Spring 2027 will begin on **November 2, 2026.**

For those using the Post 9/11 GI bill and VR&E, we will be working with the Bursar's Office for the enrollment hold to be lifted, as long as charges for previous semesters have been paid.

If you are using another chapter, please keep an eye on your school email as we will be reaching out to students who may need to make payments or submit paperwork in order to enroll for priority registration

Note: If you have questions about payments, charges, etc., please reach out to the Bursar's Office. If you have questions about your certifications, please reach out to us.

If you have any further questions or concerns, our office is open from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. We are available in-person, via email, phone and Zoom. https://registrar.arizona.edu/mcbc

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NOVEMBER

S	M	TU	W	TH	F	S
1	2	3	Midweek Munchies 12pm	5	Workstudy Appreciation Tailgate 2:15pm	7
8	9	10	Veteran's Day – VETS closed	12	13	Military Appreciation Game
15	16	17	Midweek Munchies 12pm	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	Thanksgiving – VETS closed	VETS closed	28
29	30					

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MIDWEEK MUNCHIES

Community meal with VETS!

WEDNESDAY
NOV 4 & 18
12pm-2pm

TAILGATE WORKSTUDY APPRECIATION GAME

Under 30 lot, UofA Mall

FRIDAY
NOV 6
2:15pm

CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
NOV 26 & 27

Fall 2026 Harvest

Join us as we celebrate gratitude. community and connection! Take a break from your busy schedule and enjoy a tasty meal with fellow Wildcats.

November 19, 2026 from 11am until food runs out!

at the Thrive Center BASC - Room 102



Thrive Center

Veterans Education & Transition Services



ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Found at the back corner of our VETS center and on Discord, this team provides FREE academic support to students who need it in various subjects like science, math, engineering.

V.E.T.S.

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Veteran Women
Study Recruitment

We're inviting **female veterans** to take part in a confidential research study about military service and mental health.

You'll be asked questions about stressful life experiences, mental health (suicide, depression, anger, and substance use), support from your unit, and your self-perception. The purpose of this study is to better understand the relationship between these variables.

To participate, you must meet the following criteria:

(1) Be at least 18 years of age
(2) Be able to complete the survey in English
(3) Were female assigned at birth
(4) Formerly active duty (Veteran, previously mobilized Reservist) in the United States military.

If you decide to take part in this study, we will ask you to complete an online survey. The survey takes place online and includes an optional drawing to win a $20 VISA gift card (1 in 13 chance). It will take approximately 20 - 25 minutes to complete.

If you are interested in participating in the study, **please click here:** https://isu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cusHZ0THC8g2QJ0

This study is approved by the Idaho State University IRB (#IRB-FY2026-38).

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SERVICE TO SERVICE (S2S)

The University of Arizona School of Government and Public Policy has been accepted as a member of the Volcker Alliance's Service to Service Initiative. The Service to Service initiative works with public policy programs to link education to careers in public service.

Each year, SGPP selects two military-connected students from its Master's in Public Policy or Master's in Public Administration programs as Service to Service Fellows. S2S Fellows will participate in an internship in the City of Tucson's Emergency Management Office or Tucson Water. Fellows receive a grant or stipend of up to $8,000 and may be invited to travel to Volcker Alliance events.

Website: https://sgpp.arizona.edu/S2S-fellowship

Application:
https://uarizona.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_etZKfxujyjoOGmq

For more information on the program contact SGPP's coordinator for the Volcker Initiative, Assistant Professor of Practice Michael Burgoyne, at **burgoyneml@arizona.edu**.

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VA IT WORK-STUDY FOR STUDENT VETERANS

The VA Hospital IT Department is hiring Work-Study students! Gain hands-on experience in tech support, networking, and Help Desk operations while earning benefits and building your resume.

If interested, contact:
David T. Young IV
IT Specialist, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Office: (520) 629-4605

CYBERSKILLS2WORK APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

The University of Arizona is part of the CyberSkills2Work Coalition, offering free cybersecurity and AI training for veterans, transitioning service members, first responders, and government employees.

Apply today: cyberskills2work.org/join/apply

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MCLEAN TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP: $3000 TO BE PAID IN JANUARY

Eligibility:

- Transfer student from an Arizona community college (transfer students have transferred in at least 12 units of credit and are designated as Transfer admits in UAccess) and
- Successful completion of a UA (not transferred) math class above the level of pre-calculus and
- STEM major (Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math) at the University of Arizona

As much as possible, the McLean transfer scholar will be chosen with attention to their overall GPA, their mathematical aptitude, and emerging leadership within the community.

Notes:

- Scholarship money will be disbursed into the recipient's Bursar's account in January in time to be used for spring tuition, so students graduating in December or January are *not* eligible to apply.
- The endowment is also very clear that students must have already completed a math course here at UA, so brand-new transfer students are not eligible for this application cycle. This is an annual award, so they may apply next time.

This is a great opportunity with a simple application: Application form

Application deadline: Monday, November 2.

Questions? Please contact math-mcenter@arizona.edu

Looking for a challenging Independent Study opportunity with potential to have a big impact?

Solve Real Problems. Make Real Impact.

What if your class project could change lives, influence national security, or become a startup? Hacking4Defense **(not computer hacking)** gives students the chance to work directly on *real problems* facing the Department of Defense and national security community—problems that matter now.

Why H4D?

- 🌍 **Tackle the world's most real-world problems**
  Workonchallengessourceddirectlyfromdefense,security, and humanitarian organizations.
- 🎖️ **Improve the lives of people in uniform**
  Your ideas can directly support service members and those who protect our nation.
- 🚀 **Create outsized impact**
  Small teams. Big missions. Your work can influence policy, technology, and operations.
- ✈️ **Potential to travel**
  Engage with sponsors, mentors, and stakeholders beyond campus.
- 💡 **Potential to create a company**
  Many H4D projects lead to startups, SBIRs, and continued development after the course.

What You'll Do

- Work in interdisciplinary teams
- Apply design thinking, entrepreneurship, and systems engineering
- Collaborate with military, government, and industry mentors
- Deliver real solutions to real sponsors

Who Should Apply:

Students from **any major**—engineering, business, policy, data science, design, or beyond—who want their work to matter.

This Is Not a Simulation.

This is national-scale problem solving.

👉 Join Hacking4Defense. Build something that matters.

Contact Terrence Higgins: thiggins@arizona.edu

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JOIN AWARDSS-PLUS!

Calling all Future Scholars

Interested in research & considering a PhD?

The U of A College of Education + Undergraduate Research Opportunities Consortium (UROC) have teamed up to offer the Access, Wellness, And Relational Determinants of Student Success - Publishing, policy, practice, Leadership and life-long learning for University Students (AWARDSS-PLUS) program - a flexible, high quality, competency-based research apprenticeship with potential for real-world impact on US Education.



Spring 2027

- Winter Break Orientation
- Research Proposal Writing Course
- Educational Research Methods E-Series
- Professional & Career Development Opportunities

Summer 2027

- Mentored Experience in a 300-hour Research Apprenticeship
- Matched by interest with a Mentor
- Research Report Writing Course
- Formal Presentation (Report, Poster, & Oral)
- Professional Development supporting Personal Growth & Research Identity
- Opportunity for Conference Travel and Participation

Funded by the Institute of Educational Sciences (#R305B210019) with summer tuition waivers and fees generously offered by the graduate college.

Fall 2027

- Graduate School Prep Course
- Continued Research Apprenticeship of 120 hours
- Personalized Assistance with Graduate School Applications
- Professional Development related to Publishing, Policy, Advocacy, and Leadership

Priority Deadline: **November 15**

Eligibility for the AWARDSS-PLUS program:

- U.S. Citizen
- GPA: 3.0 or higher (Major or Overall)
- Status: Junior, Senior, Post-Bacc (within 5 years), or current Master's Student not graduating before 12/2027
- Research Interest Related to Education + Intent to Pursue PhD

Participants can receive up to $9,200 in stipends and $2,700 for professional development and travel. Post-Baccs receive an additional $1,100 for tuition.



Michelle M. Perfect, PhD, PI
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Associate Professor of Practice
College of Education

Get in touch with us!

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Questions? Ready to apply? Scan the QR code!

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Study Abroad





Missing in Action Recovery in Europe

Sites in Germany & Poland

Play a part in recovering Missing in Action (MIA) service members by supporting the efforts of the POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA). Contribute daily to archaeological digs to screen for remains and evidence of the missing, all while culturally integrating into local European towns and immersing yourself in the history of World War II crash sites!

This program is offered in collaboration with the Army ROTC at the University of Arizona and the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA).

Courses

Students will earn 3 units of University of Arizona direct credit:

- MLS 499: Independent Study

Program Type: Faculty-led

Credit Type: University of Arizona Direct Credit

Terms Offered: Summer

Level of Study: Undergraduate

Class Eligibility: Sophomore, Junior, Senior

Learn more:

studyabroad.arizona.edu
#Wildcatsabroad
@uastudyabroad

How to Study Abroad

Studying abroad offers alife-changing chance to immerse yourself in another culture and grow academically and personally.
Start planning early by coordinating with your advisor, adjusting your degree plan, and exploring programs and funding options. With preparation, your dream can become a reality.



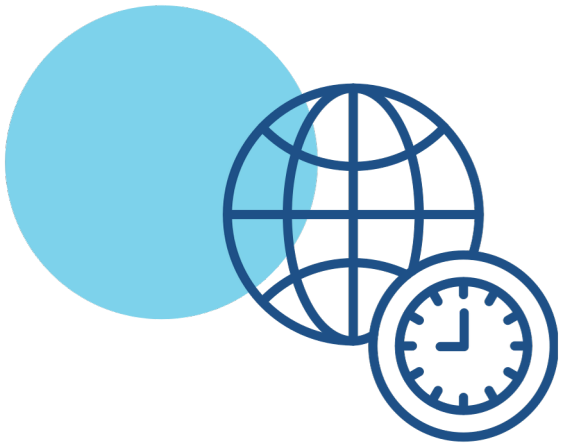


Paying for Study Abroad

Thereare many ways to make studying abroad just as affordable as a regular semester or summer on campus. Your regular financial aid and scholarships are often applicable to your program. Additionally, scholarships are also available from U of A Study Abroad, a variety of departments across campus, and outside partners.

When to Study Abroad

Programsrange from spring break toa full academic year. Shorter options fit more easily into degree plans, while longer ones offer deeper cultural immersion. Most students go abroad in their sophomore or junior year, but the best timing depends on your degree plan. Meet with your academic advisor early to plan ahead and make the most of your opportunities.



Learn more:

studyabroad.arizona.edu
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@uastudyabroad

Text START to 85932 or scan the QR code for Study Abroad updates.
Message and data rates may apply. The number of messages will vary. Text HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel.

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STUDENT VETERANS NEEDED FOR A RESEARCH STUDY

Study conducted by an active-duty servicemember / student-veteran doctoral candidate

ELIGIBILITY

You may be eligible to participate if you:

- Are prior service Active Duty U.S. military
- Are 18 years of age or older
- Are currently enrolled in an undergraduate program

– OR –

- Withdrew from an undergraduate program within the last 5 years

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Survey Link:

https://pennstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0BvYP5ifX1VDBHw

Or scan to begin:

WHAT YOU WILL DO

- Complete a 5-10 minute online survey
- Option to volunteer for a 30 minute Zoom interview

WHAT THIS STUDY IS ABOUT

This research examines the educational experiences of student veterans, including factors that influence academic progress, persistence, belonging, and GI Bill use

Your input will help inform research aimed at improving how universities understand, support, and retain student veterans

COMPENSATION

- Survey: optional entry for one of eight (8) $25 Amazon gift cards
- Interview: $25 Amazon gift card

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Your participation is voluntary. This study has been reviewed by the Penn State IRB.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
JAMES E. ROGERS COLLEGE OF LAW

Program in Criminal Law & Policy

Hank Shea & Kristine Huskey
Honoring Veterans with Restorative Justice



Hank Shea is a Senior Distinguished Fellow at the University of St. Thomas School of Law in Minneapolis and a Professor of Practice at the James E. Rogers College of Law at the University of Arizona in Tucson. Hank has taught courses in restorative justice, investigations, white collar crime, and crime and punishment. He also speaks frequently throughout the United States on ethics and how to best prevent and address white collar crime



Kristine Huskey is a Clinical Professor of Law and the Director of the Veterans Advocacy Law Clinic at the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, where she also teaches international human rights law, constitutional law, and the law of armed conflict. Huskey is also the Director of the College of Law's Clinical Program, which is home to 17 legal clinics. She has taught at various other law schools and was also a litigator with Shearman & Sterling in Washington D.C. for several years.

Wednesday, November 4
12-1:15pm

The State Bar of Arizona does not approve or accredit CLE activities for the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education requirement. This activity may qualify for up to one hour toward your annual CLE requirement for the State Bar of Arizona, including zero hours of professional responsibility.

Contact Jocelyn Ehalt or McKinsey Baril with any questions!

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mbaril@arizona.edu

Room 168
Food will be served!

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STUDENTS GET IN FREE

WITH A VALID CAT CARD

MILITARY APPRECIATION & FIRST RESPONDER NIGHT

ARIZONA vs. UNLV

RUNNIN' REBELS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2026
7:30 PM

Tucson Convention Center (TCC)

SHOW YOUR STUDENT ID. GET YOUR TICKET.

Bring your valid Cat Card to the TCC Box Office
to redeem your FREE student ticket.
No reservation needed.

BEAR DOWN. GO ICE CATS!

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Flag Ceremony

HONORING

VETERANS

and Active Military Men & Women

Performed by:

Carlos Gonzales, MD, FAAFP

Sage of the Flag "Spiritual Healing"

Tucson Marine Corps Color Guard 007

" Flag Presentation"

November 12th, 2026

9AM

UAHS - Health Sciences Innovation Bldg.
(HSIB - North Grass Area)
1670 E. DrachmanSt,Tucson,AZ 85724



Reception to Follow:

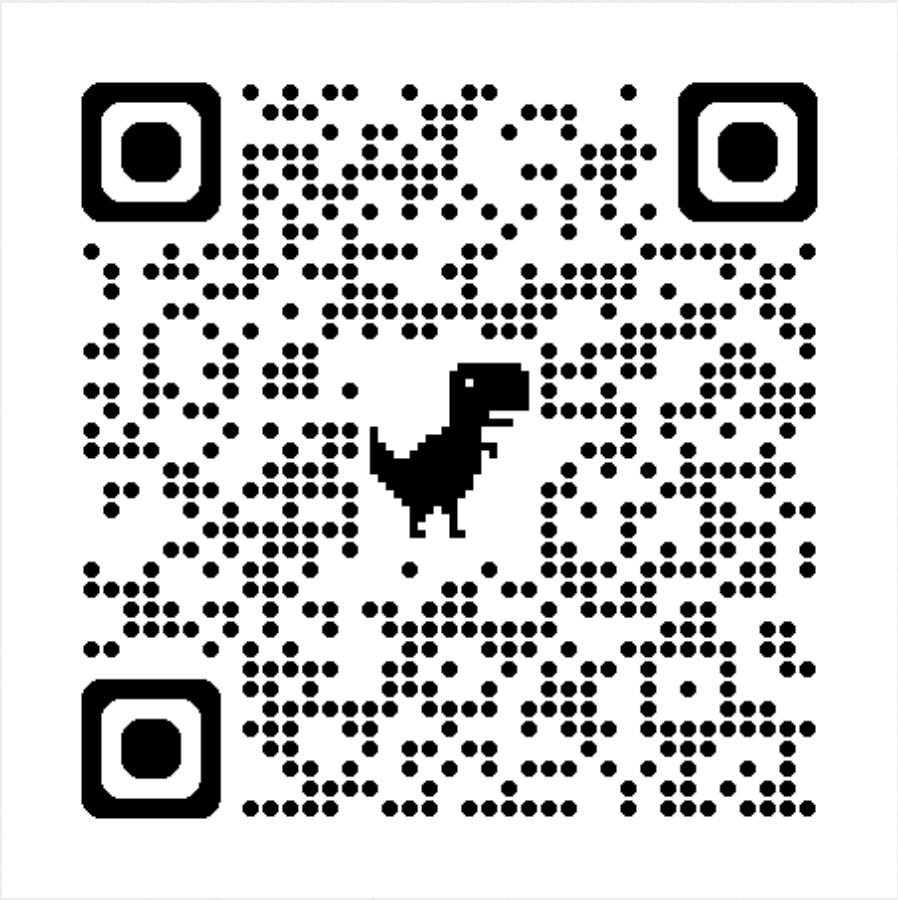
Light Refreshments will be served.
UAHS VETS CenteratLibrary

Registration Link:
https://uarizona.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_20p6uHOR
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TODAY, WE CELEBRATE AND SAY:
"THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE"


ROCKIN' 4 HEROES
6th Annual FREE Concert
Sunday, November 8, 2026
Gates open at 3:30pm
Presented by:
HSL PROPERTIES
It's About Community!
Entertainment by:
T-Mobile
Featuring LEXINGTON LAB BAND
James D. Kriegh Park, Oro Valley, AZ
Southern Arizona's largest FREE outdoor rock concert – a community "thank you" to our local Heroes!
Bring a chair – open lawn seating
Register for a chance to win a $500 gift card and to participate in our NEW Virtual Auction!

Southern Arizona Veterans Health Update



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