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ETSU VETERANS UPWARD BOUND (VUB)

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VUB Spring Semester Information and Instructions

Page three of the newsletter contains the VUB 2016 Spring Semester schedule of classes. It is very similar to previous semesters and it contains all the pre-college class opportunities for most veterans to prepare for entrance into and success in a postsecondary program.

We will continue our basic math and English classes this semester by offering tutoring for those who need to brush up on their basic skills. Please call the VUB office to arrange this individual service. We will continue to provide

tutoring for those who need additional preparation before taking the COMPASS test.

Please note that computer skills class meets twice per week, while the remainder (algebra, science, and stats) meets only once per week. Also note that the semester is ten weeks in length.

Check out the schedule and contact any VUB staff member if you have questions. You may register by phone.

We recommend that all participants register for at least two courses so

that you will receive the full benefit of the instruction and be better prepared when you enter a postsecondary program.

We have designed the schedule so you will be able to register for up to four different classes during a four-day period without class conflicts.

If you are in college already, keep us informed of your progress, call if you need help, and let us know if you change your address or phone number.

VUB's Spring 2016 Postsecondary Enrollment

Congratulations to these VUB participants scheduled to enroll in postsecondary school programs this semester. Initiative, hard work, and desire to improve their academic standing all played a part in this significant endeavor to reach the goal of postsecondary graduation which will soon arrive.

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Jonathan Eddlemon Army
Chanisha Jones Air Force
David Maxim Marine Corps
Michael Roberts Air Force
Gregory Tellman Army
Nigel Winfield Navy

King University

Jessica Carr Army Reserve

Knoxville Institute of Hair Design

Darryl Henderson Army

Sullivan County Firefighters School

Jonathan Royse Air Force

Spartan College of Aeronautics

Kennedy Slatton Army

Empire Community College

Nicole Bear Army

Northeast State Community College

Walter Caldwell Army

Billy Ellis Army

Calvin Gobble Army

Justin Hixenbaugh Marine Corps

Jason Marcum Army NG

Darrell McCombs Marine Corps

Adam Pierson Army NG

Ann Sikes Navy

Kevin Triplett Air Force

Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel Annual Scholarship Competition

In early November 2015, the Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel Program (SAEOPP) announced its annual scholarship competition. Included in the competition was the Adult Learner Scholarship and the Survivor Scholarship, with a value of \$1,000 each. Also included was the opportunity for a student to produce a video Public Serviced Announcement, regarding the program enrolled in, and how it would affect the lives of others who enrolled. The winner of this competition will receive a scholarship worth \$500.

East Tennessee State University's Veterans Upward Bound Program (VUB) was eligible to nominate one currently enrolled student for each scholarship who would be continuing college in the fall of 2016 to receive the awards. In order to determine who would be nominated for the scholarships, the VUB staff reviewed records, activities, eligibility, and potential of currently enrolled veterans.

Ms. Sharon Smith, an ETSU junior, was selected as the applicant for the Adult Learner Scholarship. Ms. Smith retired from the U.S. Navy with a commendable record which includes the Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal, four Navy "E" Ribbons, six Good Conduct Medals, and rose to the rank of Petty Officer 1st class. After retirement, Ms. Smith joined the VUB Program and worked diligently toward completion of her pre-college plan and necessary preparation for entering ETSU. She has been very successful in college working toward a degree in nutrition. She has exhibited great determination, positive attitude and cooperation throughout the process of preparing, entering, and achievement in college.

Mr. Malen Marcum, a Northeast State Community College student, was selected as the applicant for the SAEOPP Survivor Scholarship. After having served in the U.S. Air Force and completing several postsecondary classes at different colleges without sufficient credit for a college degree, he joined the VUB Program for assistance. He was provided an academic plan that would allow much of his earned credits to be combined with required courses needed for a degree

from Northeast State. He entered Northeast State in the fall of 2012 and has made excellent progress in spite of a serious health problem that affected his academic progress and class attendance. As a single father with a young daughter to raise, he still continues to demonstrate courage, motivation, and desire to better the life of his family and himself. Malen is a survivor.

Mr. Ryan Galyon, an ETSU junior was selected as the applicant for the SAEOPP Public Service Announcement Video Scholarship. Ryan entered college after completing high school but withdrew to join the military. He served honorably in the Air Force where he progressed in rank and received several military awards. After discharge from the military he began his plan to reenter college when he discovered that VUB could help him reach his goal of a college degree. Ryan was provided academic assessments, tutoring, financial aid information, and college entrance assistance. He was very receptive to assistance provided; followed through with all recommendations; and quickly became college-ready. He entered Northeast State Community College in the spring of 2014 with great motivation and determination to be successful; he graduated Summa Cum Laude in May of 2015 with an A.S. degree. He is currently an ETSU junior continuing to be successful.

The VUB Staff congratulates these VUB Achievers.

**Free
Offer**

SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

For all currently enrolled VUB participants:

The 2016 TRIO Scholarships will soon be available for your information and consideration for application. Contact the VUB Office if you are interested.

EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY VETERANS UPWARD BOUND

(423) 439.2281

VUB 2016 SPRING SEMESTER : JANUARY 25-APRIL 7

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF CLASSES (ETSU Main Campus / VA Campus)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Flexi- ble Time	MATH I / ENGLISH I TUTORING VA Bldg. 2, Room 013 Call VUB to arrange date & time	MATH I / ENGLISH I TUTORING VA Bldg. 2, Room 013 Call VUB to arrange date & time	MATH I / ENGLISH I TUTORING VA Bldg. 2, Room 013 Call VUB to arrange date & time	MATH I / ENGLISH I TUTORING VA Bldg. 2, Room 013 Call VUB to arrange date & time
1:30- 3:30	INTRO TO THE ACTIVE PRACTICE OF STATISTICS (Mon only) VA Bldg. 2, Room 013 <i>Topics include distribution, correla- tion, hypothesis testing, relationships, etc.</i>		SCIENCE (Wed only) VA Bldg. 2, Room 013 <i>Includes physics, chemistry, earth science</i>	
3:45- 5:15	COMPUTER SKILLS (Mon & Wed) Brown Hall 264 <i>Consists of Windows 2007, MS Word, Internet & E-mail</i>		COMPUTER SKILLS (Mon & Wed) Brown Hall 264	
5:45- 8:30			ALGEBRA (Wed only) Brown Hall 304 <i>Factoring, rational numbers, inequalities & polynomials, etc.</i>	

OFF ETSU JOHNSON CITY / VA CAMPUS CLASSES *(Dates/times may be adjusted to meet student needs)*

OFF ETSU MAIN / VA CAMPUS SITES	SUBJECT	DAY(S)	TIME(S)	ROOM
Bristol Public Library	MATH / ENGLISH	Tue	3:00-4:30/4:30-6:00P	Mtg. Room
	COMPUTER SKILLS	TBD	TBD	
ETSU Kingsport - Allendale	COMPUTER SKILLS I	Tue	9:00-10:30	216
	COMPUTER SKILLS II	Tue	10:30-12:00	216
	MATH / ENGLISH TUTORING	Tue	TBD	216
ETSU Nave Center Elizabethton	ENGLISH / MATH I	Mon	5:30-7:30/7:30-9:30P	122
	COMPUTER SKILLS / MATH II	Wed	5:30-7:30/7:30-9:30P	122
Johnson County Extended Service Center	ENGLISH / MATH	Wed	4:30-5:30/5:30-6:30P	JCESC
	COMPUTER SKILLS	Wed	6:30-7:30P	

You may register by phone for classes and/or tutoring. Consult a VUB staff member at (423) 439-2281 if you have any questions or need assistance.

Financial Literacy Information

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's current issue of "FDIC Consumer News" (Fall 2015), has a wealth of information (articles) regarding financial issues including:

"Shopping Tips for Loans and Credit Cards: Ways to be a Better-Informed Customer"

"Beware of Thieves Who Target Loan and Credit Card Shoppers"

"More to Know About the New Disclosures for Mortgage Loans"

"Add-ons" Sold With Credit: Do Your Research Before You Buy"

List of Selected Past Issues of High Importance

And Quick Links to Important articles:

Banking and Bill Paying Electronic Banking

Borrowing Money

Saving Money

Protecting Yourself

For this information and a lot more, go to: [FDIC. Financial Education and Literacy](#)

DATES TO REMEMBER

VUB Spring 2016 Semester ~ January 25-April 7

Martin Luther King Day (offices closed) ~ January 18

Spring Break ~ March 7-11

VUB Summer 2016 Semester ~ April 25-June 23

Veterans Upward Bound is a unique program designed to assist eligible veterans prepare for entering and succeeding in a program of post-secondary education. VUB has operated successfully at ETSU since 1980 helping hundreds of veterans achieve their educational goals. Through academic counseling, advising, encouraging, motivating, and providing basic skill and short-term remedial and refresher courses, VUB has been an important program in the lives of many veterans.



Take advantage of the many benefits VUB has to offer.

Check Us Out on the Web!

www.etsu.edu/vub