

Military and Veteran Honor Cords

As we did last year, UAF will again honor our graduating active duty military and veteran students. The Student Veterans of UAF will provide red, white, and blue honor cords to any graduating active duty, guard/reserve, or veteran students interested in wearing them during the Commencement Ceremony on May 12th. The cords pay tribute to the service and sacrifice of the men and women of our nation's armed forces. *Students interested in allowing SV of UAF to honor their service with a Military & Veteran Honor*



Cord. If your status has already been verified, you will be contacted directly. If you do not receive an e-mail but are a graduating mil-vet student, please stop by the Veterans Resource Center (Eielson 111) or our table at graduation rehearsal with a DD-214, current orders, or proper identification. The honor cords will be available for pick-up at the VRC from now until graduation or at the rehearsal prior to graduation. These cords will also be made available for military & veteran faculty wearing regalia at commencement.

Military Security Studies Minor



New to UAF this fall semester will be a minor that awards credit to military and veteran students for prior military training and education. The Military Security Studies minor will award 10 credits in Military Science and requires only two more courses

in either Homeland Security/Emergency Management or Military History to complete the minor. For more information, please contact School of Management Undergraduate Advisor and Admissions Coordinator Shelby Umphenour at 474-7253 or scumphenour@alaska.edu.

Student Veterans of UAF Raffle

This is the last week for the Student Veterans of UAF raffle with the drawing to be held on **April 18, 2013!** These funds will help the group pursue new projects for the fall. Prizes include gift cards for iTunes, Sunrise, Big Daddy's, Beaver Sports, and the Comic Shop, as well as passes to the Auto Museum, Bear Bucks, a free oil change, and much more! Stop by Financial Aid to purchase tickets today or contact Jake at cjennis@alaska.edu for more details!



Military Friendly Schools

UAF was selected for the fourth time as a "Military Friendly School" by *G.I. Jobs Magazine* in 2013. We would like to hear your feedback as the 2014 Military Friendly Schools selection approaches. What has UAF done well for military and veterans? Where could we improve? To help veterans understand the UAF experience, we urge student-veterans to take the survey at: <http://www.militaryfriendlyschoools.com/StudentVeteran/102614>.



UAF Veterans' Discussion Group

The discussion group that has taken place on Tuesdays this academic year will end for the semester on Tuesday and resume in the Fall Semester. It has been a great opportunity for many of us to talk about our military experiences and has also contributed to dialogue with the University about how to best serve the veterans at UAF. Thank you to all who have participated.



Purple Up for Military Kids!

Don't forget to "purple up" on **April 19**. April is month of the Military Child and the Alaska 4-H program invites all Alaskans to wear purple on April 19 to honor children affected by deployments. Purple symbolizes all branches of the military if their representative colors are added together. The 4-H Military Program provides support and activities to military youth, families and communities. Stop by the Wood Center from **1-3pm this Friday** to get a piece of purple cake and show your support for military families!

Veterans Resource Center

As we move into the summer months, the VRC will not always be open during the regular 9am-5pm hours as shift focus to rural outreach in Interior villages. Next semester, there may be an opportunity for a Work Study in the VRC. That position would assist in the running of the center and would be great for anyone with interest in working with veterans in the future. Please contact me through one of the channels below if you are interested. Also, if you would like to schedule an appointment to file for disability compensation, VA Health Care, or learn more about your education benefits, feel free to contact me as well. Best of luck in your classes as we close out the school year!



First Friday Artshow
featuring works by
Veterans, Active Duty
Servicemen and their
family members

Aloha

May 3rd, 5 to 7 p.m.

Up to 3 works can be
submitted by April 29
for this no-sale show
at the Vet Center

Fairbanks Veterans Center
540 Fourth Avenue, Suite 100
907-456-4238



Vet Center First Friday

Anyone interested in submitting artwork to be displayed at the Vet Center for First Friday should contact them at 456-4238. For those of us without artistic skills, stop by for refreshments and to see the art of veterans, active duty service members, and their families. The theme for May is "Aloha."

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