UWM has community partnerships with the Milwaukee VA Medical Center, the Milwaukee VA Regional Benefits Office, and other nonprofit and service organizations that serve the military and veterans. We work with our corporate partners to set up networking events and provide resume assistance, practice interviews, internships, job shadowing, mentors and jobs.

MILITARY EDUCATION BENEFITS OFFICE
The dedicated staff of our Military Education Benefits Office ensure that current and former members of the military receive timely processing of their state and federal benefits to keep their graduation plans on track. The benefits office also provides news and information, and serves as a first-stop destination for prospective and newly admitted students.

STUDENT VETERANS OF AMERICA (SVA)
An active coalition of student veteran groups, the SVA focuses on providing vets with the resources and support they need to achieve their academic goals and gain meaningful employment. From social programming and volunteer activities to leadership summits and scholarships, SVA offers strong local support and advocacy bolstered by its global network.

VETERANS UPWARD BOUND (VUB)
Focused on building the skills needed to excel in an academic environment, VUB instructors educate without talking down, treat you with the respect that you’ve earned and provide a classroom environment specific to veterans. Although aimed at students who have not received a high school diploma, the program is also a great resource for those looking to brush up before taking on college coursework.

VETSUCCESS ON CAMPUS
UWM is proud to be the only university in Wisconsin to take part in the national VetSuccess program. Operated by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, VetSuccess places a vocational rehabilitation counselor on campus to ensure veterans receive the assistance they need to make the most of their education, from the initial transition to civilian life to preparation for entering the labor market.

MAVR C AT UW-MILWAUKEE
UWM’s Military and Veterans Resource Center (MAVR C) offers a safe, supportive environment for UWM’s current and former service members and dependents to help ensure a successful transition from military life to college, academic success and achievement of career goals. MAVRC has a quiet study room (complete with CAC readers) and a comfortable central area with plenty of seating and TVs, making it a great place to relax over a cup of complimentary coffee, spend time with other service members and learn about future employment or civic engagement opportunities. MAVRC also helps host Veterans Orientation, a comprehensive orientation program designed to meet the specific needs and interests of military and veteran students.

WHY CHOOSE UW-MILWAUKEE:
UWM has some of Wisconsin’s leading programs, such as the largest college of nursing and one of the largest schools of education. Our unique schools include Wisconsin’s only architecture school and only school of public health. Beyond that, we’re nationally recognized for undergraduate research and have deep connections to the city of Milwaukee. In fact, more than 1,400 businesses host UWM interns each year, and many of those internships turn into full-time jobs after graduation day.

VISIT OPTIONS:
Seeing our campus in person is the best way to figure out if UWM is the right fit for you. Tours are available six days a week during the school year and Monday through Friday in the summer. UWM also hosts on-campus and virtual visit events throughout the year. Our virtual visit options are particularly robust and include live Q&A panels with current students, one-on-one virtual sessions with academic advisors and pre-recorded sessions.

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Edith Nourse Rogers STEM Scholarship
- If Post-9/11 GI Bill entitlements have or will be exhausted within six months, this scholarship provides up to nine months of additional Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits (a $30,000 maximum) to qualifying veterans and Fry Scholars who are pursuing an undergraduate STEM degree or who have earned a STEM degree and are seeking a teaching certification. Graduate programs are not currently approved for the STEM scholarship.

Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship
- Surviving spouses and children of active-duty members of the armed forces who died in the line of duty on or after Sept. 11, 2001, are eligible for this scholarship. A child may be married or over 23 and still be eligible. A surviving spouse is no longer eligible if remarried. Eligible recipients attending school may receive tuition/fees, a monthly living stipend and book allowance.

Montgomery GI Bill – Active Duty (Chapter 30)
- Active-duty members enroll and pay $100 per month for 12 months, and are then entitled to receive a monthly education stipend once they have completed a minimum of 12 months, and are then entitled to receive a monthly living stipend and book allowance.

Montgomery GI Bill – Selected Reserve (Chapter 1606)
- Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine and Coast Guard Reserves, as well as Army National Guard and the Air National Guard members, are eligible for this monthly stipend.

Post-9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33):
- Provides financial support for education and housing to veterans with at least 90 days of aggregate service after Sept. 10, 2001, or individuals discharged with a service-connected disability after 30 days.

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Survivors & Dependents Assistance (Chapter 35): Survivors’ Educational Assistance provides education and training opportunities to eligible dependents of certain veterans. Generally, you must be the son, daughter or spouse of a veteran who died or is permanently and totally disabled as the result of a service-connected injury.

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program (Chapter 31): Veterans seeking VA vocational rehabilitation benefits must meet with a regional vocational rehab counselor each semester to receive this benefit.

Wisconsin GI Bill:
- Wisconsin veterans who entered active duty as a Wisconsin resident or who have established five consecutive years of residency are eligible for up to 128 credits of tuition and fee remission. This benefit is also available to certain spouses and children of eligible veterans who entered active duty as a Wisconsin resident. However, the five-year residency requirement does not apply to spouses or children; they must be considered Wisconsin residents to be eligible.

Wisconsin National Guard Tuition Reimbursement Grant:
- This program is available to actively drilling guard members and warrant officers who do not have a baccalaureate degree. It reimburses tuition only for satisfactorily completed courses with a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

Wisconsin VetEd Reimbursement Grant:
- Wisconsin veterans who are enrolled as full-time undergraduates working on their first degree and who served a minimum of two years of active duty may receive reimbursement for tuition and fees for satisfactorily completed courses with a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher.

Yellow Ribbon Program:
- Covers tuition in excess of resident tuition that may exceed the Post-9/11 GI Bill tuition benefit.

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