

Veteran & Military Student Transition Toolkit

The VRSC has developed this "Transition Toolkit" to empower you through the transition process. Veteran & military students who complete this checklist experience a more seamless transition.

- ★ **VERIFY YOUR MILITARY STATUS***
Documentation verifying military service (current orders, LES, DD-214, etc) must be sent to militaryadmissions@tamu.edu for processing.
- ★ **COMPLETE ONLINE ORIENTATION**
Make sure to indicate you are a veteran/military student in online orientation to access specialized content, critical information, and additional resources in preparation for your New Student Conference.
- ★ **REGISTER FOR A PARKING PASS**
If you're planning to park on-campus, you will need a parking pass. The sooner you request yours, the more likely it is to get what you need. If you qualify for DV plates, be sure to follow the DV Parking Guide!
- ★ **CONNECT WITH OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING**
The off-campus housing office assists students with finding quality housing. Visit <https://aggierearch.tamu.edu/> for more information and to begin your search!
- ★ **BEGIN MILITARY EDUCATION BENEFITS PROCESS**
Request your benefits through the Financial Aid Portal (accessible through HOWDY) and submit required documentation. See the MEB Quick Start Guide for instructions and helpful tips.
- ★ **MILITARY STUDENT SESSION (NSC)**
Join us in the VRSC during your New Student Conference for the Military Student Session. This session is required for all new incoming undergraduate students. Can't wait to see you there!
- ★ **VET CAMP**
This mandatory peer-led extended orientation provides exclusive workshops, tours, and networking to empower incoming veteran/military students as they embark on their first semester at Texas A&M.
- ★ **PARENTING STUDENT?**
The [Title IX Office](#) offers resources for pregnant/parenting students. Tip: Childcare facilities in the area fill up quickly and many have a waitlist. Begin your search for the right fit for you as soon as possible to secure a spot!

**Having your veteran/military status verified qualifies you for early registration for subsequent semesters, veteran/military scholarships through the VRSC, and other programs exclusively offered to veteran/military students.*

WAYS TO CONNECT & ENGAGE:

- Want to stay updated on what's happening in the veteran & military student community? - The Military Student Hub in CANVAS has all the info!
- Looking to have a voice in change, advocacy, or being a peer-leader? - [VALOR²](#) is the VRSC program for you!
- Have a desire to connect with current and former military students and community, state & national employers? - The [Aggie Military Network](#) on LinkedIn has it all!
- Like engaging with peers for fun and camaraderie? Get started in orgs with SVA!

