VA Connections Brings Mental Health & Wellness to Madison College Students

Staff from the VA Hospital & Clinics, Vet Center and Veterans Benefits Administration are teaming up with Madison College to provide more convenient care and services for our student Veterans. The new clinic, called VA Connections, will be located in the Student Development Center (SDC) Room 159AA, at the Triaxus campus.

VA Connections will provide assistance with VA enrollment, Veteran benefits, important mental health care, therapy and re-adjustment counseling, substance use counseling, wellness programming and peer support. Beginning May 1, 2012, student Veterans may schedule an appointment by calling 608-280-7084, or by asking to speak with the VA Connections Social Worker at the SDC front counter.

VRAP Benefits for Unemployed Veterans

In an effort to reduce veteran unemployment, the VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011 was passed. VRAP now offers 12 months of training assistance to 99,000 unemployed veterans. The DOL will offer employment search assistance to all veterans who participate in the VRAP program.

For details, see VRAP Email Sign Up. If interested, provide your contact information to receive emails on VRAP and application notifications.

Don’t Wait to Enroll

If you haven’t already done so, be sure you enroll in classes for the upcoming summer and/or fall terms. By using your priority enrollment dates, you are more likely to get into a class than be placed on a waitlist. Students with a hold on their account cannot register until it is resolved. Check for holds from your myMadisonCollege Student Center. Post 9/11 Students - Remember that supplemental, parking and transportation fees are your responsibility starting this semester.

Confidential Help for Veterans

The Veterans Crisis Line connects veterans in crisis to people that can help -- call (800) 273-8255, chat online at Vet Crisis Line or text 838255.

OPPORTUNITIES

Columbia County Veteran Service Position

Rich Hasse, the new Columbia County CSV is seeking VA work study students. Students must be using a Federal GI Bill benefit and enrolled in at least 9 credits per semester. For details, call Rich at (608) 742-9618.

Explore Careers in Advanced Manufacturing through Free, Hands-on Workshop for Women

Madison College’s Tools for Tomorrow: Women in Trades and Technology is offering a free workshop on Saturday, May 19, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 2125 Commercial Avenue. Stop by to:

- Investigate job and training opportunities
- Experiment with robotic programming
- Learn how to begin a career in advanced manufacturing

For more information, contact the program at (608)246-5285 or at toolsfortomorrow@matcmadison.edu.

College Success for Veteran Students

This 3-credit, vets-only class is college transferrable. Register today!

Class #333268, 2–3:15 pm, T/R, August 28 - December 15, 2012

For more information about Madison College Veterans Services, visit madisoncollege.org/services-veterans, email us at veterans@madisoncollege.org or call us at (608) 246-6038.