



From the Learning Assistance & Resource Center

Academic/Transition Coach Available!

To better assist your academic transition here at RU, an academic coach sensitive to the needs and demands of the military is available in the Learning Assistance & Resource Center located in Walker Hall. The position was established in the fall to better accommodate our student veterans here at Radford. Whether you need assistance with time management, study skills, knowledge about services on campus, or anything else to make your transition here at RU a smoother one make an appointment. Office hours are Tuesday/Thursdays from 0800-1030 and Wednesdays from 0800-1230. If those times are not convenient feel free to go to the front desk and request and alternate time.

~Natalie

Academic-Transition Coach
125 Walker Hall



Time's Running Out

* FASFA Federal Deadline is June 30, 2012 by midnight Central Time.

The 2012-2013 application is now available <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

What's Happening Now

What RU is doing for You:

- An Academic Coach is available to veterans, cadets, and dependents on campus
- The Student Veteran Organization is undergoing an administration change
- Student Veteran Research Team is working on your behalf to better understand student veteran's transition into college & to provide empirical data in order to support claims for more resources on campus for student veterans

From the Registrar Office

- For GI Benefits: after your benefits have been certified for your first semester, Radford will automatically re-certify your benefits for the Fall and Spring semesters as long as you are enrolled in courses.

-If you would like to use your benefits toward summer courses, please notify the Registrar Office so they can certify your enrollment.

-Check out the VA's new [eBenefits](#) website for veterans!

Contact the Registrar's Office:
Gail Wright
105 Heth Hall
540-831-5721
Radford University

GI Bill Updates

- φ Benefits will be paid at the end of every month. For example, recipients will receive September's benefits no earlier than September, 30th and should receive them no later than the first week of October.
- φ Living Stipends are based on the E-5 BAH for your school's location and are paid monthly for the months of enrollment
- φ Effective August 1, 2011. The VA will no longer provide benefits for break or interval pay. That means, when classes end on Dec 17, your December living stipend will only be for the first 17 days of December. Benefits will begin again when courses resume.
- φ Effective August 1, 2011 prorate housing allowances to the nearest tenth. A student receiving allowances at the 75% level will receive 80% BAH rate.
- φ Effective October 1, 2011 students may use the Post-9/11 GI Bill for Non-college degree (NCD) programs, On-the-Job and Apprenticeship training, flight programs, and correspondence training.
- φ Effective October, 1, 2011 National Guard members mobilized on Title 32 orders on or after Sept 11, 2001 are now eligible for Post-9/11 GI Benefits.
- φ Reminder: Post 9/11 Benefits are limited to no more than 36 months of payments.

Career Services

Tuesday February 14

Spring 2012 Majors & Minors Fair

1300-1500, Heth Lower Level

Rachel Hall rbowman10@radford.edu

Wednesday February 15

Camps, Summer Job & Internship Fair

1500-1800, Campus TBD

Ellen Taylor eltaylor@radford.edu

Friday February 17

Education Job Fair

0900-1500, Peters Hall Gym

Carolyn Sutphin csutphin@radford.edu

Friday February 24

Criminal Justice Careers

In sessions from 0900-1300, Heth 014

Lucy Hochstein

Week of March 12-16

Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow Residency

Timothy Filbert tfilbert@radford.edu

Friday March 16

RU Spring Career & Internship Fair

1000-1400, Peters Hall

Ellen Taylor eltaylor@radford.edu



RU VETERANS STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Welcome RU Veterans!

We are RU Veterans! This organization is a place where veterans, dependents, cadets & anyone else interested in the military can come together as a social community.

Our Mission:

- provide a social group to help veterans and their families adjust to academia
- to promote RU spirit while maintaining a veteran fellowship
- provide valuable information to veterans
- to assist with veteran integration on campus .

RU's Veterans Student Organization was established several years ago; however, due to the matriculation of the original officers the club had fallen to the wayside – it is time to change that! We would like to revamp this organization & make a social network for veterans and their families here on campus. Though to do that we need YOUR HELP! This organization cannot exist without student membership and participation. If you are interested in becoming a member of this organization or would like to learn more please contact Natalie at nkiddie@radford.edu or visit the organization on *RUInvolved*.



Radford University's Student Veteran Research Team

RU VETERAN RESEARCH SHOWCASE

The Radford Veteran Research Team is a compilation of student veterans, veteran dependents, & students interested in serving the veteran community. We are all brought together by a common cause; we want to better serve those in the Armed Forces. To better understand the needs of veterans, in particular student veterans, we conduct research. Many of our research studies are quantitative in nature. Quantitative studies refer to empirical research with the objective to develop and test hypotheses of social phenomenon. These studies often utilize surveys or questionnaires. Though, we currently have several qualitative studies running as well. Qualitative studies employ inquiry to obtain data. These studies are often similar to an interview to better understand social themes of a human behavior.

The purpose behind this message is to inform the Veteran Community here at Radford University of some of the exciting and groundbreaking work our research team is engaged in. Currently our team has three projects for which we are collecting data and are in need of some Veteran participation. Each of the studies is aimed at increasing awareness as to the needs of Student Veterans here at Radford University. The goal of the team is to bring about in increased level of understanding as to the needs of Student Veterans and to where possible recommend changes that will benefit the members of the Student Veteran population. For information on our studies or to set up a time to participate in a study please e-mail our team at VetResearch@Radford.edu you can also check out our team on Facebook by searching for "RU Student Veteran Research" or "RU Veteran". We look forward to hearing from and seeing you at one of our studies.

RU Student Veterans Research

The Mission of Radford University's Student Veteran Research Team is to gain a better understanding of the evolving needs of Student Veterans at Radford University. In an effort to meet the ever changing needs of Student Veterans, this team aims to promote awareness and understanding of benefits and services available, reduce stigma associated with seeking services, encourage a positive campus climate, and provide valuable information to Radford's faculty and staff, and also to other colleges and universities about the needs of the Student Veteran. We also strive to showcase the strengths associated with having Student Veterans as a valued member of the university community.

Some of the Research Topics:

DRO: Knowledge, Attitudes, and Perceived Stigmas Towards the use of Disability Resources for Veteran and non-Veterans in Higher Education and Faculty are assessing students and faculty's knowledge of the Disability Resource Office. From this survey, the researchers would like to see how to enhance the knowledge, stigma, and attitudes towards the Disability Resource Office.

Protective Factors: Identify and explore factors that promote resiliency among student veterans.

Veteran & Non-Veteran Self Efficacy, Motivation, & Locus of Control

If you are interested in more information about the RU Student Veterans Research contact VetResearch@radford.edu or check out the Lab's [Facebook](#) page.

We Need your Help

Radford University would like your input on how we can better serve you. Your input will be kept completely anonymous. Please follow the links below.

Student Veterans Group
[SVA Survey](#)

Becoming a Military Friendly Campus
[RU Veteran Friendly](#)

THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY ~ FEBRUARY

1945—YALTA CONFERENCE

The Yalta Conference began February 4, 1945 in Crimea. Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin – three major leaders of the allied forces—met to discuss the reorganization of postwar Europe, namely postwar Germany. The conference declared the unconditional surrender of Germany, wherein the country was divided into four occupied zones. Germany had to pay reparations and undergo demilitarization and denazification. It was also decided that Nazi war criminals were to be found and brought to justice. The conference ended February 12, 1945.

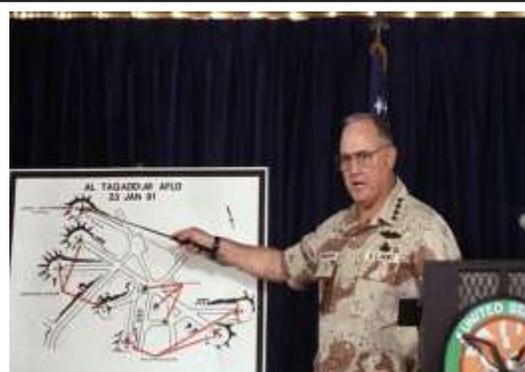
The Big Three (Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin) met together in three wartime conference, Yalta was the second.



Churchill, Roosevelt, & Stalin at the Yalta Conference 1945

1991—CEASEFIRE OF THE 1ST GULF WAR

President George H.W. Bush announced a ceasefire on February 28, 1991; Kuwait had been liberated from Iraq. This announcement came one hundred hours after the ground campaign. On March 1st an official ceasefire was negotiated with Iraq, which was accepted on March 3rd. By March 17th, U.S. troops began the journey home.



U.S. Army General H. Norman Schwarzkopf “Stormin’ Norman” commander of allied forces in Operation Desert Storm

From RU’s ROTC

Radford Army ROTC is conducting weekly training to include physical fitness training, land navigation, small unit tactics, and leadership courses. Our students will earn a Minor in Military Science and Leadership upon completion of the Program, and they will also earn a Commission as a Second Lieutenant into the U.S. Army. Our students are actively involved in service projects, Greek life, and university athletics as well. We provide Color Guard Teams upon request to sporting events here on campus. We also have an all-volunteer shooting team that is currently practicing several times per month.

Contact Information

ROTC Office
512 Davis St. Apt. J
(540) 831-5288

[Facebook Page](#)
[Website](#)

RESOURCES ON CAMPUS

- Academic Coach for Veterans, Cadets & Dependents
Walker Hall 540-831-5002
- Campus Directory 540-831-5000
- Career Services 540-831-5373
- Disability Resource Office 540-831-635
- Dean of Student's Office 540-831-5321
- Learning Assistance & Resource Center
Walker Hall 540-831-7704
- New Student Programs 540-831-5923
- Office of the Registrar 540-831-5721
105 Heth Hall
- Public Relations 540-831-5182
- Radford University Clinics 540-831-7660
- Radford University Human Resources
540-831-5421
- Radford University Police 540-831-5500
- Substance Abuse and Violence Support Services
540-831-5709
- Student Counseling Services 540-831-5226
Tyler Hall, Lower Level
- Student Health Services 540-831-5111
Moffett Hall, Ground Floor

Resources OFF Campus

- National Mental Health Association
1-800-969-NMHA (6642)
- National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors
1-800-548-0497
- National Suicide prevention Lifeline 800-273-8255
- Salem Veteran's Affairs Medical Center
1970 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 540-982-2463
www.salem.va.gov
- Veterans' Benefits Administration 800-827-1000
- Virginia Department of Veterans Affairs
804-786-0286
Dvs.virginia.gov
- Veterans' Claims Agent
540-597-1730
Ronald.kotz@dvs.virginia.gov
- Aurora Foundation Veteran Internships
202-436-0678
[American Women Veterans](http://AmericanWomenVeterans.com)
email
- New River Valley Veterans Outreach Group
540-357-1113
Wearevirginiaveterans.org
- Troops to Teachers Office
Greg Cohen – ODU
757-683-3327
gcoogan@odu.edu
- Veterans Employment Representative
John Rupe
540-831-5980
Johnny.rupe@vec.virginia.gov
- Virginia Wounded Warrior Program
804-371-4675 or [Wounded Warriors](http://WoundedWarriors.org)

Thank you for your service, now it is time for Radford to serve you! If you have any questions please feel free to email nkiddie@radford.edu/ tmattson@radford.edu or call 540-831-5002/ 540-831-6855.

