

From the Director

Put your benefits to work toward the completion of your academic goals!

In this month's newsletter, you will read about upcoming important dates, including registration for the 2020 Spring semester, and learn about veteran programs such as tutor.com, mortgage relief, and the DOD SkillBridge.

Please stop in the Veterans Services Center, located in Dakota Hall. We are here for all veteran students, and we appreciate if when you keep us up to date. Also, please bring any suggestions you have that may help the office better serve you.

Andy Heitkamp
Veteran Services Director



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OFFICE HOURS

8 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

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Minot, ND 58707
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Be seen. Be heard. Belong.



Activities Attended

September

- 4 Safe Communities
- 4 Minot Vet Center Outreach on campus
- 4 AMVETS meeting
- 5 Military Affairs Committee meeting
- 11 Campus Patriot Day event
- 12 ND Cares conference
- 12 Beaver Dam redesign meeting
- 13 MAFB retiree presentation
- 14 Military Appreciation football game
- 16 Veteran Services outreach Washburn event
- 17 In the Know event
- 18 University Cabinet
- 18 Community options Peer Support meeting
- 18 Web page update meeting
- 19 Inter-agency
- 20 Staff Appreciation Ice Cream Social
- 23 BIT meeting
- 24 Team building Minefield exercise
- 25 VA Vocational Rehabilitation on campus
- 25 Health Care Fair
- 25 ND Cares on campus
- 26 VA Vocational Rehabilitation on campus
- 26 Student Affairs meeting
- 27 Veterans breakfast
- 27 Hostfest volunteer
- 30 BIT meeting
- 30 Student Affairs meeting

Ann's Corner

Hello everyone!

Now that the 2019 Fall semester is in full swing, remember to notify our office if you are making any changes to your schedule.

Registration for the Spring 2020 term is right around the corner, beginning Nov. 5-7, and now is a good time to meet with your academic advisor to work on your class schedule. Make sure you are choosing classes that are per your degree plan. Any substitutions or added classes will need documentation stating the classes are required for your degree. If you are enrolling in an ASC remedial course, you will need to provide our office with a copy of your Accuplacer placement test results.

After you have registered for your Spring 2020 classes, complete the semester worksheet available at:

survey.MinotStateU.edu/classclimate/public/online/index/index?online_php=&p=8unsp9Qx&ONLINEID=963840398723502872489300278141168492006082.

Please contact our office if you have any questions.



*-Ann Haider-Bougard,
Veterans School Certifying Official*



Check out the Minot State Veterans Service Center Facebook page and give it a thumbs up to stay current with events.

www.facebook.com/MinotStateVeterans

REMEMBER

YOUR
EDUCATIONAL
BENEFITS
HOTLINE

1-888-442-4551

Important Dates

ACADEMIC

October

- 1 Troops to Teachers on campus
- 1 Free Application Federal Student Aid available
- 4 Last day to drop first 8-week course
- 5 Homecoming game vs SW State at 3 p.m.
- 16 First 8-week finals
- 17 First 8-week finals
- 21 Second 8-week classes begin
- 24 North Central Veterans Stand Down
- 24 Last day to add second 8-week classes

24 Last day to withdraw at 100% second 8 weeks

24-26 Notstock

25 Wellington Veteran breakfast

US Armed Forces Dates

October

- 13 MS Veteran America Pageant
- 13 US Navy birthday
- 18 Military World Games
- 26 Day of the Deployed
- 27 Navy Day
- 31 Halloween

O C T O B E R						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29-Sep	30-Sep	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	 10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	 31	1-Nov	2-Nov

Activities photos



Campus Patriot Day event

We will never forget. We took a moment to honor those who fell on Sept. 11, 2001. [#WeWillNeverForget](#)



MAFB retiree event

Put your educational benefits to use.



Stroklund s Section

Hope all is well in your lives and that your Fall 2019 semester is going well. We are halfway through and, if you are attending again in the spring, it is time to start thinking about registration.

Veterans Day will soon be here, and it is time to thank our sisters and brothers in arms for their service. As always, thank you for your service.

Have a great month and stop in to see us.

Paul Stroklund
POWER Center Academic Coach



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Tutor.com, for eligible U.S. military families, offers on-demand, online tutoring and homework help for free.

Please click on the link below for more information:
military.tutor.com/home.



North Central Veterans Stand Down



Oct. 24, 2019

10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Armed Forces Reserve Center

3420 2nd St. NE, Minot, ND

(north of the Minot International Airport)

Free

Veterans benefits	Counseling
Health care	Legal services
Hygiene items	Food
Personal care services	Clothing
Employment assistance	
Housing assistance	

Please bring DD214 or VA card as proof of veteran status, if possible.

For more information, contact Kelli Weiland, military outreach specialist, at colleen.y.weiland.nfg@mail.mil or 701-340-2779

VA mortgage relief program

Congress recently passed a mortgage relief program for veterans. If you own a home, don't go another month without calculating your new house payment.

Please click on the link below for more information:
vets.lowermybills.com/27?sourceid=medfbklrevet_1866466111&pageid=27&moid=206627&nan_pid=1866466111&ad_id=9062689



Career opportunities at high-growth media and technology companies

Do you know an active duty service member who is transitioning out of the service soon? They might feel some doubt that the full potential of their skills will be utilized in civilian employment. Shift, a career change company, helps transitioning service members turn their military experience into new careers. Shift facilitates internship opportunities at high-growth media and technology companies in major job markets (New York City, Dallas, San Francisco, and D.C.) via the DoD SkillBridge Initiative (dodskillbridge.usalearning.gov/) and Career Skills Program.



Please click on the link below to read the entire article and learn more:

blogs.va.gov/VAntage/64180/career-opportunities-shift-org/?fbclid=IwAR0KkCL52kTT9td2VsIYjD-K-f95sKICSdutiM2dHP28vi350OGiYRPSgzo

Braille and Talking Books

The Braille and Talking Book Program offers veterans who have difficulty with regular print materials the return of the gift of reading.

This program, from the National Library Service (NLS) and the Library of Congress, provides talking books, audio magazines, and digital talking-book players free of charge.

Any honorably discharged veteran who is blind, has low vision, or a disability preventing the reading of traditional materials is eligible.



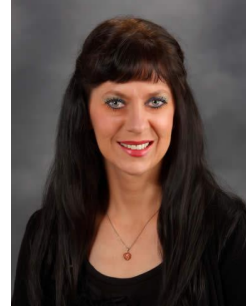
For more information, call the National Library Service at 1-888-NLS-READ (1-888-657-7323) or visit them online at loc.gov/ThatAllMayRead

Military resource center

Minot Air Force Base Education Office

Minot State has a long-standing relationship with the United States Air Force and has had an office on the Minot Air Force Base for more than 50 years. To find out how we can help you earn an CCAF or AU-ABC degree, contact Brigitte Mikula today.

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Base Education Center, 156 Missile Avenue, Room 220
Minot Air Force Base, ND 58704
1-701-727-9004
brigitte.mikula@MinotStateU.edu



GEM

Minot State University has partnered with the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) to offer general education courses online that meet the general education requirements for the CCAF Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree. Please visit MinotStateU.edu/online/pages/gem.shtml for more information.



AU-ABC

Minot State University is committed to providing airmen opportunities to pursue advanced education beyond their associate degree. We have worked to design programs that help airmen achieve their educational goals by only completing an additional 60 semester hours. Visit MinotStateU.edu/online/pages/au-abc.shtml to find out more.

VA Tip Tuesday

Every Tuesday the [Disabled American Veterans](#), [Department of North Dakota](#), [Department Service Office](#), [ND American Legion](#), and the [North Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs](#) is bringing a new tip for better using your VA benefits. To find out more, like the groups on Facebook.



Disabled American Veterans



VA and DoD collaboration offers women s health transition training

This free training is designed for active duty service women planning on transitioning to civilian or Reserve/National Guard status within the next calendar year, or women veterans and current National Guard/Reserve members who have not enrolled into VA healthcare.

The VA/DoD Women Veterans Health Transition Training program is offering virtual courses at the following times:

- Oct. 2 (1300 CT)
- Oct. 15 (1400 CT)
- Nov. 7 (1700 CT)
- Dec. 2 (0900 CT)

[On-site training](#) will also be offered at some military installations.



Sign up today for the [VA/DOD Women s Health Transition Training Program](#).

To learn more, please read the article below:
blogs.va.gov/VAntage/65378/va-dod-collaboration-offers-womens-health-transition-training/

Blast from the past Did you know?

Lassiter named winner of MLK writing contest

Last spring, the Minot State Diversity Council held a writing contest in honor and remembrance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Students submitted essays inspired by King s I Have A Dream speech showcasing their own dreams. Reginald Lassiter, a senior management major, placed first in the contest. The second and third place winners are available at RedGreenPaper.com.

Please click on the link below to read the entire article:

MinotStateJ.edu/redgreen/04-11-2019.pdf

Only love
By Reginald Lassiter

Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that.

It s been some time now since I ve dreamt of it.
Seems like even more time has passed since
Last I was able to feel the strength of it.

This time around I m just anxious to catch a glimpse of it.
The tides of change are near and I m praying we ll be entrenched in it.

Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.

Through Declarations and aspirations turned white lies.
Into legal lynchings of thy neighbor and crossed lines.
Of the true ideals of Independence, we ve tossed vines.
Instead we re plagued on the dependence of past cries.

I am the light of the world

Separate but equal. I ve dreamt that I m in the sequel.
I ve dreamt that the fear was no more when strangers first see you.
I ve dreamt that pain was relieved when love rushed to treat you.
I ve dreamt transgressions were forgiven through a verdict meant to free you.

We live in a world where there is so much room to give.
I was given this world and we have so much room to live.
Love is the answer and we just need to make it fit.
Tear down your walls, give way to peace, and take in all the love you can get.

**THE 2019 PHEASANT HUNT'S
ARE OPEN TO ALL NORTH DAKOTA
VETERANS AND 911 RESPONDERS!
THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE 2 HUNTS . . .**

*This is an All-Inclusive Hunt, Veteran & 911 Responder only need to provide their own transportation to and from the event and a 12 Gauge Shotgun! All Meals, Lodging, Ammo, and Merchandise will be provided!!
(Shotguns are available if needed)*

**APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN TO APPLY
CLICK BELOW
FOR ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL
ELIZABETH @ 701-690-0140**



2019 1st Oct 11-13th



2019 2nd Hunt TBD

HONORING OUR VETERANS

Last Friday of each month

8:00 a.m.

We welcome all veterans to join us at The Wellington for breakfast on the last Friday of each month starting January 25, 2019. We will start serving at 8:00 a.m.



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