

# VETERAN STUDENT SUCCESS

## Easing the Transition from Soldier to Student

The Veteran Student Success Center addresses the unique academic, financial, physical, and social needs of veterans transitioning from soldier to student. Staff are committed to providing quality assistance and guidance to:

- Military Service Members
- Veterans
- And their families



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MY FAMILY AND  
MY COUNTRY! SEMPER  
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WE ARE THE  
**College** for  
VETERANS



## The 8 Keys to Veterans' Success at MWCC

1. Enjoy a **CULTURE OF TRUST AND CONNECTEDNESS** across the campus community that promotes well-being and success for our veterans
2. Our **EARLY ALERT SYSTEM** ensures all veterans receive academic, career, and financial advice before challenges become overwhelming
3. Relax in a **DESIGNATED SPACE FOR VETERANS** where we coordinate and centralize campus efforts for all veterans
4. Benefit from our **COLLABORATION WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**, including government agencies, that align and coordinate various services for our veterans
5. MWCC has developed systems that **ENSURE SUSTAINABILITY** of effective practices for our veterans
6. We provide **COMPREHENSIVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT** for faculty and staff on issues and challenges unique to veterans
7. We utilize a **UNIFORM SET OF DATA TOOLS** to collect and track information on veterans, including demographics, retention and degree completion, which allows us to continually provide the best support possible
8. Have peace of mind that there will always be **CONSISTENT AND SUSTAINED SUPPORT** for veterans from campus leadership

## Getting Started

1. Apply for GI Bill benefits
  - Visit [benefits.va.gov/gibill/apply.asp](https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/apply.asp)
  - If you are a member of the Massachusetts National Guard, please visit [mwcc.edu/veteran/national-guard-tuition-fee-waiver](https://mwcc.edu/veteran/national-guard-tuition-fee-waiver)
2. Send your military transcripts
  - Visit the Joint Services Transcript page at <https://jst.doded.mil/smart/signIn.do>
3. Apply to enroll
  - Visit [mwcc.edu/apply](https://mwcc.edu/apply)
4. Apply for financial aid (this is independent of your VA benefits)
  - Visit [mwcc.edu/financial](https://mwcc.edu/financial)
5. Sign a Mass Veteran tuition waiver
  - Visit [mwcc.edu/veteran/tuition](https://mwcc.edu/veteran/tuition)
6. Sign a health insurance waiver
  - Visit [mwcc.edu](https://mwcc.edu)
  - Click Waive Insurance under quick links
7. Bring us a copy of your DD214 along with your Mass Veteran tuition waiver (from step 5) and health insurance waiver (from step 6)



Feel free to contact the Director of Veteran Services for support, resources & information: RM 145 (Gardner) | 978-630-9408 | [r\\_mayer@mwcc.mass.edu](mailto:r_mayer@mwcc.mass.edu)

# Ready to get started?

Gardner campus tours Monday–Thursday at 3PM and Wednesday at 10AM

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