December News
It is hard to believe that the quarter is almost over. The Veterans Success Center and Student Veterans Organization have been very active on campus this quarter. As we enter into Dead Week and Finals Week, we'd like to take the time to reflect on the success of our events from November, and let you know about the events and opportunities we have coming up.

Reflections from November

Football Tailgates
Our football tailgates this month were a huge success. We enjoyed
spending quality time with our fellow veterans, dependents, and Cal Poly community members while supporting Cal Poly football. The November 19th game was also the Heroes’ Football Game, so all veterans and first responders were able to get tickets for free. The free barbecue at the tailgates was fantastic, and the company was even better. Next year, we hope to see even more of you there; remember these events are open to everyone! Go Mustangs!

**Student Veteran Organization Meetings**

At this month’s meetings, we prepared for Veterans Awareness Week, and had a special presentation from Career Services. Career Services came to speak to us about the resources that this department can offer. They can help with resume, networking, LinkedIn, graduate school, negotiating salaries and benefits, talking to employers, and much more. This is a great resource to take advantage of!

**Veterans Awareness Week**

On behalf of the Veterans Success Center, we would like to thank everyone who made Veterans Awareness Week a success, especially Annika Yandell, SVO Head of Public Relations. Each day during the week leading up to Veterans Day, we had a different on and off-campus event. Our restaurant profit-share fundraisers raised over $600 for student veterans and dependents at Cal Poly, and our on-campus events helped spread awareness about student veterans at Cal Poly.

**Upcoming Events and Opportunities**
Heroes on the Water

One of our community partners is hosting another great activity for veterans -- kayaking and fishing with Heroes On The Water in Avila Beach from 8am-12pm on Saturday, December 3. This event is FREE for veterans, including use of kayak and fishing equipment. Click here to contact Heroes On The Water on their Facebook page to register or for more information. We hope you'll join Heroes On The Water for this wonderful opportunity!

DEAD WEEK DONUTS

On Thursday, December 8, there will be donuts in the Veterans Success Center from 9am until whenever they're all gone! Come by and refuel for the busy week ahead.

Graduate Assistant Position Available

Cal Poly Off-campus Programs is looking for a Graduate Assistant to support the off-campus coordinator and assist in maintaining off-campus events. The assistant will be expected to work 10-20 hours a week. This position will be responsible for working with the students, staff, and off-campus entities to address off-campus concerns. A candidate will be chosen based on his/her communication abilities, counseling abilities, problem solving skills, and potential to contribute to the mission and goals of the off-campus programs which is to encourage student success and safety in the San Luis Obispo Community.

For a more detailed job description, please send an email to veteranscenter@calpoly.edu, and we will get back to you promptly.

To apply, send a resume to kjhampto@calpoly.edu by Tuesday, January 3, 2017.
Looking for a job or internship?

Career Services wants to help Cal Poly student-veterans and dependents prepare for the Winter Career Fair! Here are some events coming up next quarter that can help you feel more confident about upcoming career fairs.

**Preparing for the Winter Career Fair – Thursday, January 12 from 11:10 to Noon at Career Services (Bldg. 124, upstairs in Room 224)**

- Career fairs provide ample opportunities to interact directly with employers, yet the environment can feel overwhelming or intimidating to an internship or job seeker. This workshop will help you be more confident by sharing what to do before, during and after a career fair to be a standout candidate. Tammy Martin will also show you how to use MustangJOBS to narrow down your search for companies of interest to network with at the Winter Career Fair.

**Resume Workshop – Thursday, January 19 from 11:10 to Noon at Career Services (Bldg. 124, upstairs in Room 224)**

- Come to this workshop to learn how to create a standout resume showcasing your experience relevant to specific positions and employers. Samantha McGurgan will cover how to translate your military experience to civilian terms so that employers will see the amazing experience you bring as a veteran. Please bring a printout of your existing resume to this workshop.

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