



Building Military Cultural Competence on Campus with Technology

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CREATING WORLD CLASS PROGRAMMING TO PROVIDE FAR-REACHING IMPACT



Content Creation

Utilizing a team of educational technologists and instructional designers, the Center creates robust online educational programming that facilitates transition from service to academia and the workforce.



Program Delivery

The Center identifies and partners with universities, employers, and veteran support organizations that are capable of delivering the Center's research and content directly to transitioning veterans nationally.



National Impact

The Center provides national program management of all educational content and delivery platforms as well as ensures quality control, provide measures of effectiveness, and collects data for follow-on research, program refinement, and additional educational modules.

How It Started

Columbia University's Center for Veteran Transition and Integration is committed to building tools that help active duty service members, veterans, and military-connected students across the country succeed at crucial moments of transition.

How It Started

Specifically, we have chosen to focus on helping veterans:

- (1) navigate the college admissions process;**
- (2) maximize academic success in the college classroom;**
- (3) identify and secure meaningful and fulfilling careers after service or school.**

How It Started

To help veterans and active duty service members navigate the college admissions process and transition successfully to higher education settings, we created...

Catalog > Education & Teacher Training Courses > ColumbiaX's Veteran Transition: Academic Excellence and Career Readiness

Attaining Higher Education

Prepare to transition to college using intentional decision-making. Aimed at active duty service members and veterans, with this course you will learn about the college admission process, including financial aid, to help you choose a right-fit college.



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This course is part of a XSeries Program

About this course

Attaining Higher Education is a course designed to facilitate the successful transition of active duty service members and veterans to postsecondary education, whether at a two- or four-year college for an associate's or bachelor's degree, or even graduate school. Too often, service members and veterans transition with little information, or incorrect information, about what makes students successfully realize their goals

[+ More about this course](#)

What you'll learn

- General and detailed information about colleges and universities
- An understanding of the transferability of military skills into certain fields
- Instruction with regard to completion of



🕒 Length:	5 Weeks
🕒 Effort:	3–5 hours per week
🏛️ Institution:	ColumbiaX
🎓 Subject:	Education & Teacher Training
⚙️ Level:	Introductory
🗣️ Language:	English
📺 Video Transcript:	English

Associated Programs:

Attaining Higher Education

Attaining Higher Education

<https://www.edx.org/course/attaining-higher-education>

How It Started

To help veterans and active duty service members transition smoothly from military service to college and maximize their success in the classroom, we created...

Catalog > Education & Teacher Training Courses > ColumbiaX's Veteran Transition: Academic Excellence and Career Readiness

University Studies for Student Veterans

This course helps veterans transition smoothly from military service to college, and helps them maximize their success once they arrive.



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This course is part of a XSeries Program



University Studies for Student Veterans

About this course

The skills you learned in the military will go a long way toward helping you succeed in college, but if you're looking for some extra support – or an academic tune-up – then you'll find it in this course. We know that the culture of higher education is different from the culture of the military in meaningful ways, and we also know that one of the

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What you'll learn

- Foundational academic and study skills for achieving academic success in college
- Strategies for more effective reading, writing, test preparation, and time management
- Preparation for students taking STEM and other technical courses

🕒 Length:	6 Weeks
🕒 Effort:	3–4 hours per week
💰 Price:	FREE Add a Verified Certificate for \$49 USD
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University Studies for Student Veterans

<https://www.edx.org/course/university-studies-for-student-veterans>

How It Started

To help veterans and active duty service members transition smoothly from military service and higher education settings to new and meaningful civilian careers, we created...

Find Your Calling: Career Transition Principles for Returning Veterans

Catalog > Philosophy & Ethics Courses > ColumbiaX's Veteran Transition: Academic Excellence and Career Readiness

Find Your Calling: Career Transition Principles for Returning Veterans

This course provides military veterans with a useful roadmap to transition more smoothly from military service to a new and meaningful civilian career.

[View Course](#)

This course is part of a XSeries Program

About this course

This course is a collaboration between FourBlock and Columbia University, powered by T-Mobile.

The course will focus on the development of interpersonal, intrapersonal, and intellectual character strengths as they relate to making a successful career transition

[+ More about this course](#)

What you'll learn

- Practical tips and strategies for making a successful military-to-civilian career transition.
- A framework for how to begin thinking about and exploring new career opportunities.



🕒 Length:	6 Weeks
🕒 Effort:	1–3 hours per week
🏛️ Institution:	ColumbiaX
🎓 Subject:	Philosophy & Ethics
⚙️ Level:	Introductory
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Associated Programs:

[XSeries](#) [Veteran Transition:](#)

Find Your Calling: Career Transition Principles for Returning Veterans

<https://www.edx.org/course/find-your-calling-career-transition-principles-for>

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Veteran Transition: Academic Excellence and Career Readiness

Courses for veterans as they transition from active service to college and the workforce.

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[The XSeries Program](#)



XSeries Program

A series of courses that add up to a rich understanding of an area of study.

Note: All CVTI courses are free for everyone.

 Average Length: 5-6 weeks per course

 Effort: 3-5 hours per week, per course

edX XSeries

<https://www.edx.org/xseries/columbiaveteran-transition>

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What We Built

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@Sully3830

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<https://twitter.com/i/events/1201906044164886528>

How It Started

Q: “What else do folks need? What would be the most helpful?”

A: “We need a cultural competency resource that is not cost prohibitive. We need an affordable tool to help train our faculty and staff.”

Supporting Veteran Success in Higher Education

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Supporting Veteran Success in Higher Education will provide participants with the tools necessary to better understand, empathize with, and proctor the success of veterans in pursuit of their academic, personal, and professional goals.



 **6 weeks**
2-3 hours per week

 **Self-paced**
Progress at your own speed

 **Free**
Optional upgrade available

About this course

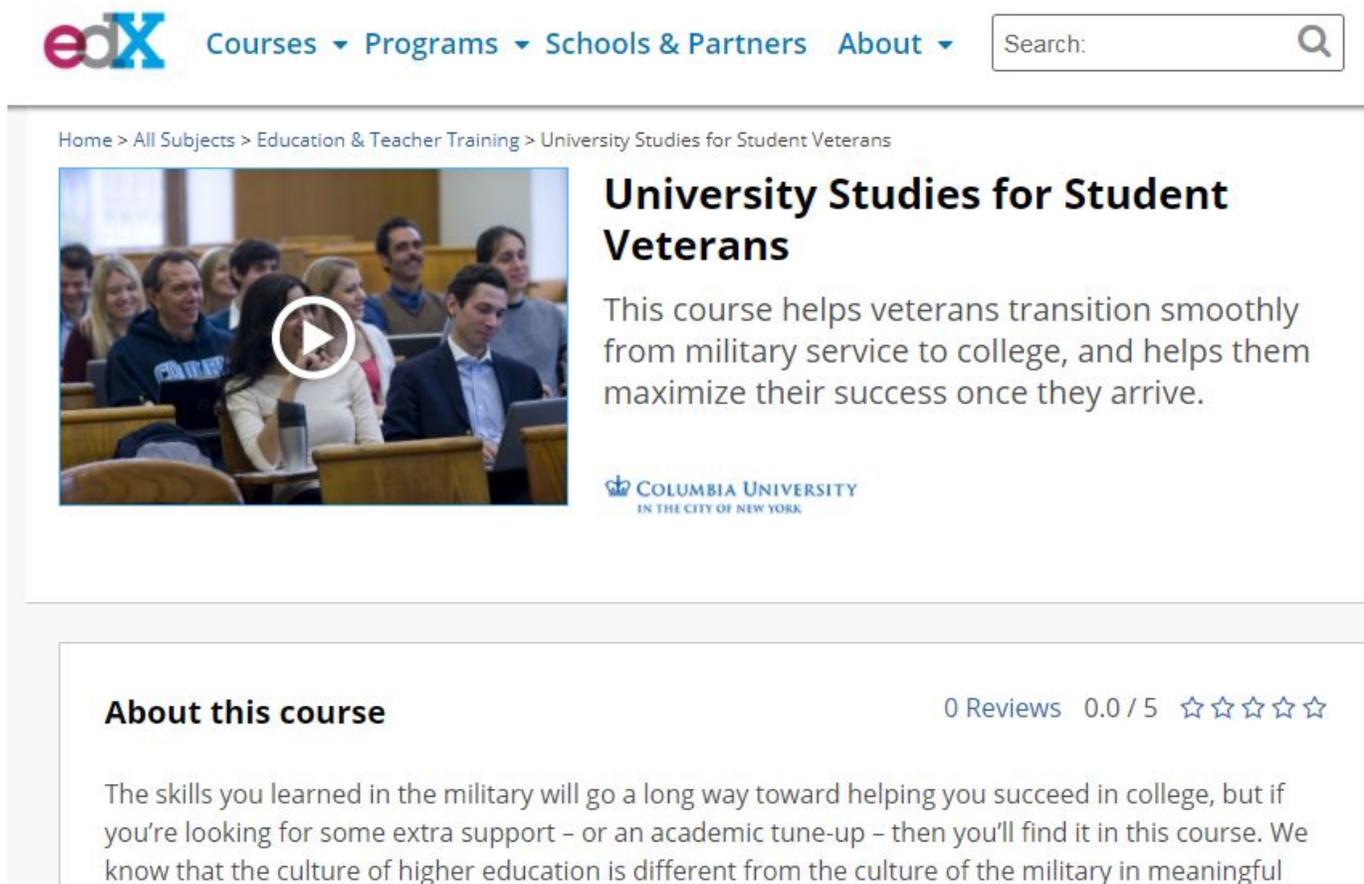
This course is designed to be a training that familiarizes any faculty or staff member at a college or university with military and veteran culture as well as veteran-specific considerations in the areas of admissions, finances, academic and student life, and health and well-being. Our hope is that the information provided here will deepen the understanding of student veterans, resulting in a more veteran inclusive campus.

Supporting Veteran Success in Higher Education

<https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:ColumbiaX+SVS+2T2021/home>

What We Built

Resources with four main instructional modalities



The screenshot shows the edX website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the edX logo and links for Courses, Programs, Schools & Partners, and About. A search bar is located on the right. Below the navigation bar, a breadcrumb trail reads: Home > All Subjects > Education & Teacher Training > University Studies for Student Veterans. The main content area features a video player with a play button icon over a photo of students in a classroom. To the right of the video, the course title 'University Studies for Student Veterans' is displayed in bold. Below the title, a descriptive paragraph states: 'This course helps veterans transition smoothly from military service to college, and helps them maximize their success once they arrive.' The Columbia University logo is positioned below the text. At the bottom of the page, there is a section titled 'About this course' with a rating of 0 Reviews and 0.0/5 stars.

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Comprehensive Online Course/Training

What We Built

Stand-alone, open source, completely free online resources that can be taken start to finish in a self-paced way in a wide variety of training and continuing education contexts.

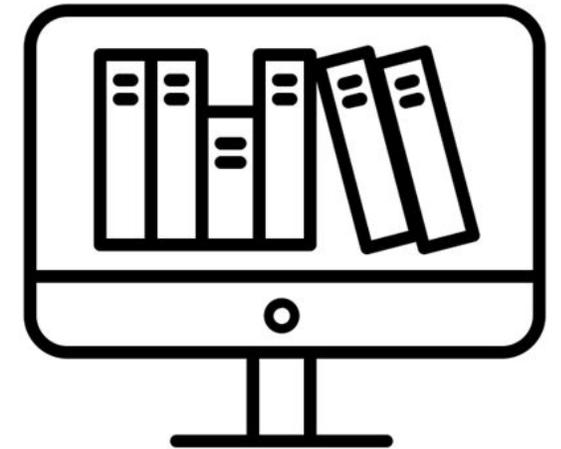


Created by Karen Tyler
from Noun Project

Virtual Libraries of Learning Objects

What We Built

Fully modular curriculum design released under Creative Commons encourages innovative use of materials for different contexts, goals, and populations.



Created by Maria Kisiltsina
from Noun Project



Companion Texts for Existing Support Initiatives

What We Built

Fully à la carte structure allows for careful selection of specific resources to complement and enhance existing on-the-ground and hybrid support programs.



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Tools for Flipped Classroom Pedagogy

What We Built

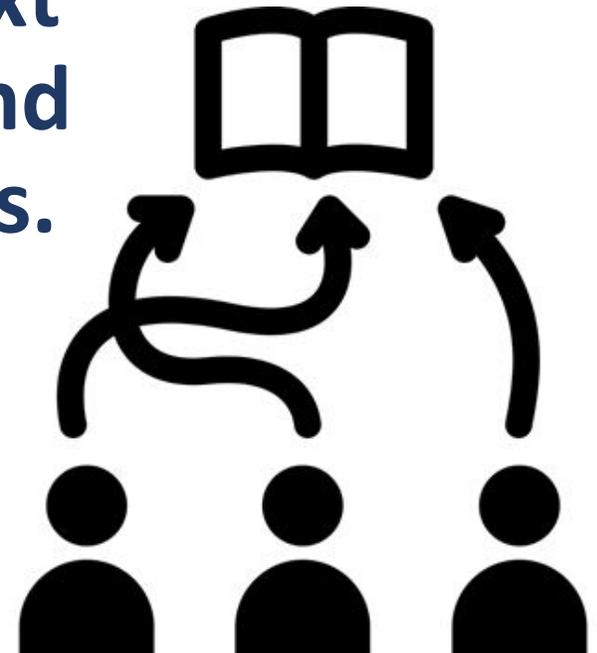
Online content delivery makes it easy to flip learning engagements and explore concepts through facilitated discussion.



Innovative Uses By Other Institutions

What
Others
Are
Doing

Community college partners across the country are currently using USSV as a companion text for existing on-the-ground “Boots to Books” courses. Flipped classroom.

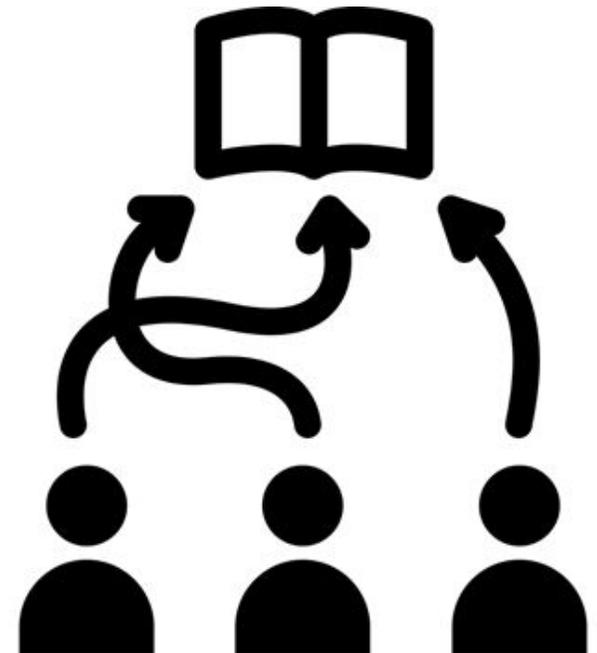


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A community college partner is using SVS to train the staff in their Office of the Registrar to help them better serve military-affiliated students.

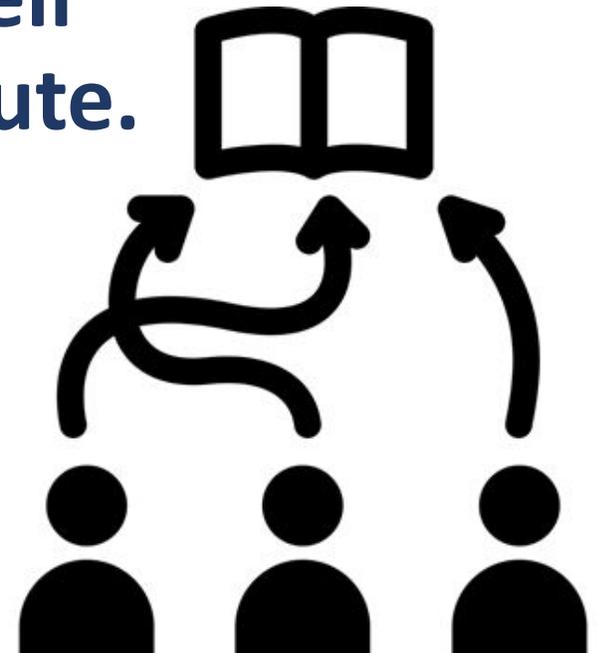
Professional
development.



Innovative Uses By Other Institutions

What
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SVA uses the “growth mindset” resources from USSV to enrich participants in their annual Leadership Institute. New programming.



Innovative Uses By Other Institutions

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Several community colleges in Texas are using these tools to create a skills curriculum for student veterans who have been placed on or are returning from academic probation. Academic support.

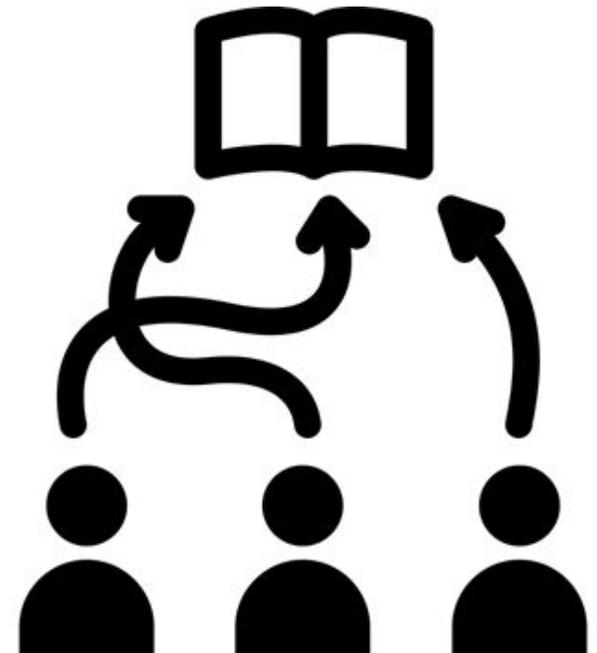


Innovative Uses By Other Institutions

What
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A four-year school in California is including selected resources from SVS in their onboarding curriculum for all new university staff across departments.

Orientation
enhancement.



Please remember...

These resources:

AHE, USSV, FYC, SVS

ARE ZERO COST RESOURCES!

Remember!

I'm Here to Help!

Contact

If these tools sound cool to you, but you're not sure where to start, let's find a time to talk.



How To Contact Me!

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