takes into consideration that you recently separated from the military, but can only be used once in a student’s academic career. We recommend you discuss this option with a financial aid counselor.

More information about SIU Carbondale’s Financial Aid services is available at the University’s Financial Aid Office; contact them at 618/453-4334, or visit the website at http://fao.siu.edu.

Also, be sure and speak with a Veteran Student Worker from the University’s nationally recognized Disability Support Services if any services are needed. The Veteran Student Worker can assist student veterans who received a disability rating from the military or the Veterans Administration.

More information is available at Disability Support Services at 618/453-5738, located in Woody Hall, Room B-150.

Another recommended step is meeting with a Veteran Integration to Academic Leadership (VITAL) representative. Veterans Administration Health Care is available on campus. Visit Woody Hall, Room B-252, adjacent to the Veterans Service Office or call 618/453-1996.

OUR MISSION
YOUR SUCCESS

We are committed to making the transition of veterans from the military to SIU Carbondale student a seamless process.

VETERANS SERVICES PROVIDES

- Summaries, checklists, and other information regarding necessary steps for a military veteran to successfully transition to an SIU Carbondale student.
- Information to veterans and active duty members interested in attending SIU Carbondale.
- Answers to all general inquiries about SIU’s Veterans Services, including directing veterans to on-campus and off-campus Veterans Service providers.
- A central location on campus where any veteran’s issue can be resolved.
- Information regarding on- and off-campus housing for veterans.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Veterans Services
Woody Hall B-258
Southern Illinois University Carbondale
900 S. Normal Ave.
Carbondale, IL 62901
Phone: 618/453-1335
You know what it means to succeed in the field, and we are here to help ensure that you reach that same success in the classroom. From assisting with admissions paperwork and helping with your application for Veterans Administration Education Benefits, to directing student veterans to on- and off-campus Veteran Service providers, we are here to help make your transition from the military to the classroom a seamless, simple stress-free process.

Here, we don’t just speak of commitment. Our record reflects it. We were one of the first universities to offer off-campus academic programs to military personnel beginning in 1973. In addition to providing classes to active duty personnel at 21 off-campus military base locations in 13 states, our obligation to serve student military veterans and their families is also steadfast.

Whatever your academic interest, we work to ensure that nothing stands in the way of helping you reach your career goals. We are also available to help you resolve any issues you might encounter along the way.

We offer a wide array of information and services to student veterans, including insight into financial aid, admissions, academic and health resources, and housing guides. Our office staff, comprised of 100 percent veterans and family members, are committed to helping you with any problems you want to bring as you make that successful move into the classroom and a new career.

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MISSION
SUCCESS

Here, that phrase isn’t just chatter, it’s based upon fact. We are a nationally ranked research university that provides hands-on opportunities, top-ranked programs, and indispensable resources you need to develop intellectually and professionally.

But we are much more. We consistently rank among the nation’s leading military friendly colleges and universities.

We earned top status from Military Advanced Education magazine for a sixth consecutive year in 2012. Also in 2012, for a fourth consecutive year, G.I. Jobs magazine ranked us among the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools that are military friendly. We were the first university in Illinois to earn the Governor’s Award for Excellence in Veterans Education -- recognition of our efforts to enhance the educational experiences of student military veterans.

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STUDENT VETERANS CHECKLIST

Whether you are considering SIU Carbondale or have been admitted and are in the enrollment process, here are some vital elements remember.

Want more information about becoming a Saluki? The Admissions Office is your first point of contact. To learn more about the University, take a virtual tour, or schedule a campus visit, contact an admissions counselor by calling 618/536-4405, by emailing admissions@siu.edu, or by visiting their website at admissions.siu.edu.

The application for admission is also available at admissions.siu.edu. Apply up to one year in advance. To complete the application process you will need to submit a $40 non-refundable application fee, supply us with official transcripts for all post-secondary work, and provide the Member 4 copy of your DD-214. If you have earned fewer than 26 transferable credit hours after high school, you will also need to submit an official high school transcript or GED scores, and if you are under 21 years old, we will also need your ACT or SAT scores.

Forward all transcripts from previous colleges and military training for review. Veterans Services strongly recommends submitting military transcripts to the University for evaluation. Military technical training earns course credit in many cases. Veterans may find their military transcripts at jst.doded.mil.

The FAFSA application is available online at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov. Veterans Services recommends that all student veterans apply for Veterans Administration Educational Benefits at our Veterans Educational Services Office in Woody Hall, B-258. Before applying for benefits please ensure that you have all the necessary paperwork to submit with your application. An additional handout listing the required documents is available.

A veteran who completed one year of active duty and earned an honorable discharge will receive 6 credit hours for physical education requirements.

Transcripts should be sent to:

Transfer Student Services
Mailcode 4701
Southern Illinois University Carbondale
Carbondale, IL 62901

Physical transcripts are required to complete an application for admission. If you have earned your benefits, be sure to apply for Veterans Administration Educational Benefits at our Veterans Educational Services Office in Woody Hall, B-258. Before applying for benefits please ensure that you have all the necessary paperwork to submit with your application. An additional handout listing the required documents is available.

Veterans Services recommends that all student veterans apply for financial aid, and we are here to assist you in applying for federal student financial aid (FAFSA). Your recent separation/deployment may have earned you the right to receive federal grants to assist you financially while you are pursuing your career goals through higher education.

FAFSA applications are available for online completion at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov. Once you have submitted your FAFSA application, you might wish to complete a Special Circumstances Form for a reevaluation of your FAFSA application. This form, submitted on behalf of the University,