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Presentation

BOT-1 Student Veterans Association

Background Information

Veterans Resource Center Coordinator Brad Wrenn will share information about the Student Veterans Association (SVA), a subsidiary chapter of Student Veterans of America. The organization consists of veterans, military personnel, family members and general supporters. SVA is a veteran advocacy, support, learning and networking group that provides tools and resources to assist members on and off campus, and is open to anyone wishing to support this mission.

Brad Wrenn was honorably discharged from the United States Air Force in 2002 after a six-year enlistment. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in International Business from the Bryan School at UNCG as well as a Master's Degree in Adult Education from East Carolina University. Brad formerly worked with the UNCG School of Nursing, where he worked in Medical Simulation, and as the Project Manager for the School of Nursing's Veterans Access Program.

Meeting the Needs of UNC Greensboro's Military- Affiliated Students



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Division of Student Affairs
Military-Affiliated Services

The Office of Military-Affiliated Services

- Opened in 2014 as the Veterans Resource Center
- Expanded in spring 2018 to include the processing of VA Education Benefits
- Changed our name to the OMAS to more accurately reflect our mission to support not only student veterans, but also active duty, guard/reserve, and family members
- Serves at the primary point of campus contact for anything related to military-affiliated students.



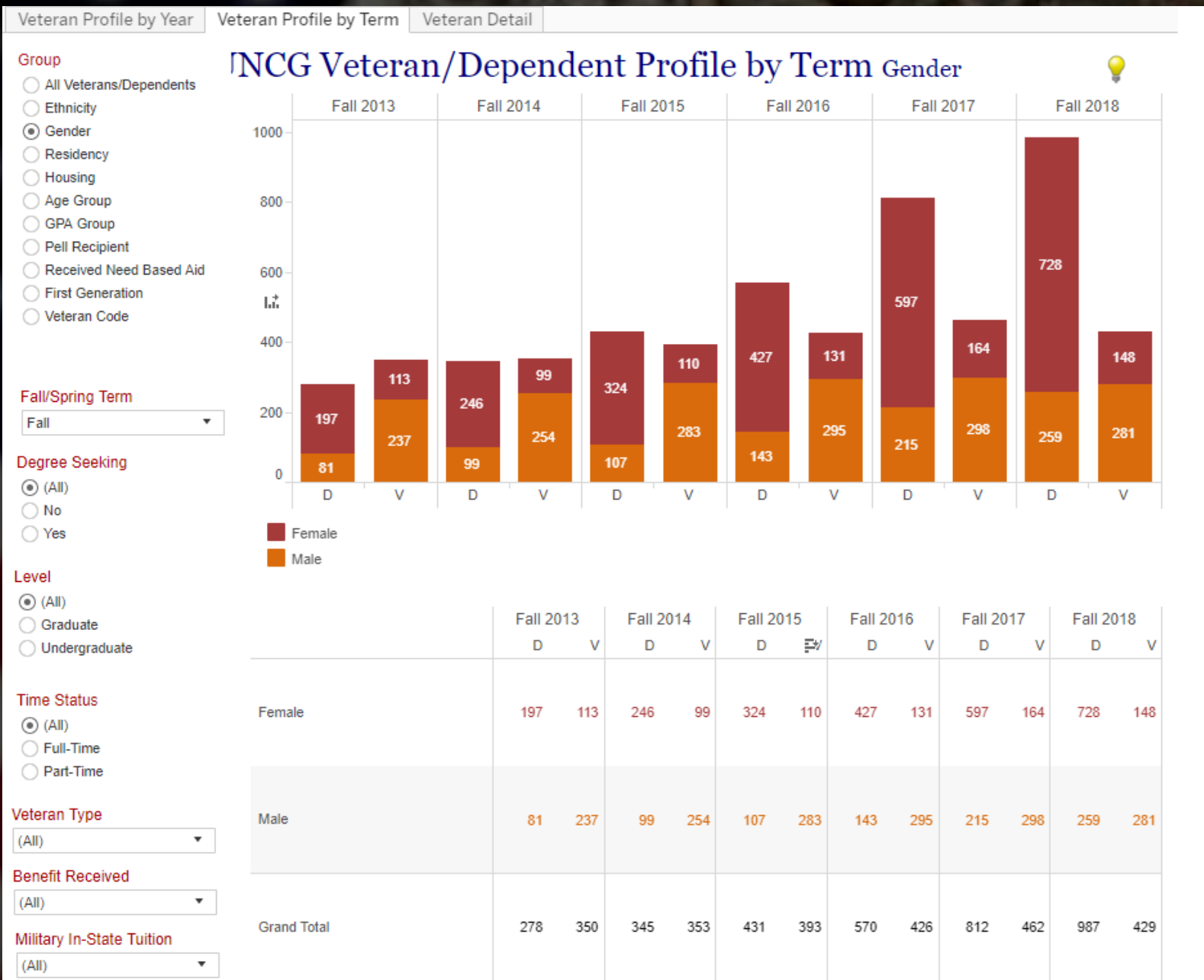
What Makes Someone a Military Affiliated Student:



Collectively, students who use VA benefits (including spouses and children) and students who identify as either an active duty service member, a guard/reserve member or a Veteran are referred to as Military-Affiliated Students

As of fall 2018 census, there were roughly 1400 Military Affiliated Students enrolled at UNCG.

Student Profile: <https://ire.uncg.edu/reports/veteran/>



Academic Incentives for Service Members:

- UNCG offers comprehensive course credit for any and all applicable military training and experience.
- Uses the ACE Joint Services Transcript as a benchmark
- Started with the VAP



Opportunities for Engagement

- Veterans Leadership Challenge
 - Partnership between OLSL and MAS
 - Geared toward the military experience
- Student Veterans Association
 - Student led group
 - Opportunities for leadership
- Career Development Workshops
 - Partnership between CSC and MAS
 - Specifically designed for military-affiliated students



Opportunities for Engagement

- **Warrior Poets' Society**
 - Partnership between MFA writing dept., Jackson Library, and MAS
 - Provides the opportunity to learn about warrior poetry and create original works
 - Student work archived in the Library
- **Veterans Day Celebration**
 - November 11th on the EUC Lawn
- **Coffee with Vets**
 - Connects students with military-affiliated faculty, staff, and alums for mentorships.



UNCG is a leader in supporting Military Affiliated Students

- For the seventh consecutive year, UNCG has been named a *Military Friendly School* by Victory Media for its efforts in recruiting and retaining military veterans and is also a recipient of the Silver Award for public universities with more than 10,000 students (top 30%).
- UNCG also ranked No. 49 out of 140 colleges and universities across the nation in the Military Times' Best for Vets: Colleges 2019 list.



Any Questions?

