



VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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The VetSuccess on Campus (VSOC) program aims to help Servicemembers, Veterans, and eligible dependents succeed and thrive through a coordinated delivery of on-campus benefits assistance and counseling, leading to completion of their education and preparing them to enter the labor market in viable careers. The VSOC program operates under the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) education and career counseling program, or Chapter 36 authority, administered by VA's Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) program. Chapter 36 benefits offer a wide range of educational and vocational counseling services to Servicemembers, Veterans, and dependents, who are eligible for one of VA's educational benefit programs. These services are designed to provide Servicemembers and Veterans with personalized counseling and support to help guide career paths, ensure the most effective use of VA benefits, and achieve educational and career goals.

ON-CAMPUS BENEFITS ASSISTANCE AND COUNSELING

VA assigns experienced Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors (VRC) from its VR&E program to each VSOC school. These VRCs are called VSOC Counselors. VSOC Counselors ensure that student Veterans receive the support and assistance needed to pursue their educational and employment goals.

The VSOC program began as a pilot program in 2009 at the University of South Florida. Since then, the VSOC program has been further developed and expanded to a total of 94 schools. A list of the 94 VSOC schools may be found on the [VSOC Website](#).

STUDENT VETERANS

Services may be accessed by:

- Servicemembers and Veterans eligible for any of VA's educational programs, including the Post 9/11 GI Bill and Montgomery GI Bill
- Servicemembers and Veterans attending training through VA's VR&E program
- Eligible dependents of Veterans who are in receipt of VA education benefits, including spouses attending school through the Post 9/11 GI Bill and eligible children

VSOC COUNSELORS PROVIDE:

- Adjustment counseling to resolve problems interfering with completion of education programs and entrance into employment
- Vocational testing



Disabilities determined by VA to be related to your military service can lead to monthly non-taxable compensation, enrollment in the VA health care system, a 10-point hiring preference for federal employment and other important benefits. Ask your VA representative or Veterans Service Organization representative about Disability Compensation, Pension, Health Care, Caregiver Program, Career Services, Educational Assistance, Home Loan Guaranty, Insurance and/or Dependents and Survivors' Benefits.



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- Educational and career counseling (Chapter 36)
 - Expedited VR&E services
 - Support and assistance to all Veterans with VA benefits regardless of entitlement, benefit usage, or enrollment status

SELECTION OF VSOC SCHOOLS

Selection is based on the following criteria:

- Size of the school's student Veteran enrollment
- Willingness and ability to accommodate a full-time VSOC Counselor
- Proximity to VA regional office, VR&E out-based office, Vet Center, or VA medical facility
- Supportive campus with strong Veterans' support services
- Established relationship with VA
- Campus leadership support

TO REQUEST A VSOC COUNSELOR FOR YOUR CAMPUS

If you are interested in having a VSOC Counselor on your campus, please send an email to VR&E's Outreach Team at VREOUTREACH.vbaco@va.gov. In the email, please state your interest in the program, your willingness to meet the criteria mentioned above, and provide a point of contact for future communication.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information, call toll-free 1-800-827-1000 or visit the [VSOC Website](#).

