As a student veteran, we understand that the transition from military to civilian life can be challenging and overwhelming. You possess unique skills and experiences and we can help you understand how to translate those to potential employers. Following are some helpful tips and resources to keep in mind. Additionally, please be sure to reach out to UC’s Veterans’ Liaisons for additional assistance and guidance.

Did you know?

- Utica College was originally founded to offer returning WWII veterans educational services. We continue that tradition today with a strong, student-veteran focused approach to service and opportunity.
- The Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) prohibits employment discrimination based on your uniformed service.
- In 2019, the veteran unemployment rate was 3.1 percent, down from 3.5% in 2018 and the lowest rate since 2000.

What you can offer employers:
Adapted from the Institute for Veterans and Military Families

- Global experience
- Technical training
- Resiliency
- Adept at decision-making

How we can help you:
The Center for Career and Professional Development can help you regarding all aspects of your career development, including:

- Major and career exploration
- Graduate and professional school preparation
- Resume and cover letter writing
- Networking and interviewing skills
- Job search strategies and social media assistance
- Recruitment events, and more!

Helpful Resources

- Vets.gov, in collaboration with the Department of Labor, can support your job search.
- The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Program assists Veterans with service-connected disabilities to prepare for, find, and keep suitable jobs.
- The Institute for Veterans and Military Families delivers class-leading programs in career, vocational and entrepreneurship education and training.
- Clearance Jobs provides a searchable database populated with positions requiring various security clearance levels.
- Use CareerOneStop’s Military to Civilian Occupation Translator to match your military skills and experience to civilian occupations.
- MyNextMove for Veterans allows you to search careers, including ones similar to your job in the military.
- O*NET’s Military Crosswalk Search allows you to search codes or titles from the Military Occupational Classification (MOC).
- Veterans’ Employment and Training Service (VETS) provides employment resources and expertise.
- The Veteran Mentor Network is a LinkedIn group whose mission is to combat veterans unemployment and to provide effective coaching to veterans and service-members.
- Hiring Our Heroes is a nationwide initiative to help veterans, transitioning service members, and military spouses find meaningful employment opportunities.

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