

# Military Arizona and veteran State University







# **Veteran** highlight

Marisa Von Holten's Arizona State University journey took some unexpected twists, turns and setbacks, but her "can do" attitude, spirit of service and perseverance enabled her to not only finish her college degree but also transition to a new public service career. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science in public service and public policy, with a focus on emergency management and homeland security, and is now pursuing a career in public service. During her time at ASU, she completed an internship, helped establish the Women Veterans Club, was involved in the Pat Tillman Veterans Center outreach team and helped other student veterans transition to campus life.



"As a prior medic, I missed helping people during times of crisis. I explored a few different career fields outside of medicine including firefighting, but obtaining my degree before returning to work was still a priority. Through that, I found emergency management and realized I could help my community as a whole be prepared for all types of emergencies and disasters."

#### **Marisa Von Holten**

Former Air Force medic
May 2020 graduate
BS in public services and public policy
Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions

# Your next steps:

#### **On-campus students**

#### 01.

#### Apply for benefits.

You might have done this already. It takes approximately one to two months for the VA to approve your application. Complete the appropriate form based on your status. **veterans.asu.edu/benefits/start** 

#### 02.

#### Receive academic advising and register for classes.

Schedule a time to talk to an academic advisor. Then you can register for classes.

#### 03.

# Complete ASU's documentation for VA benefits processing.

We can process these forms in approximately one to two business days. Contact <a href="mailto:ASUVeterans@asu.edu">ASUVeterans@asu.edu</a> with questions.

#### 04.

#### Check your residency status.

Most veterans and military members are eligible for in-state residency tuition purposes. Check the Residency Navigator. **students.asu.edu/residency** 

#### **Online students**

#### 01.

**Explore Tuition Assistance options**, including the Military Active Duty and Reservist Commitment Scholarship. **militaryonline@asu.edu** 

#### 02.

Connect with your military affiliated success coach.

#### 03.

**Connect with the Pat Tillman Veterans Center** about GI Bill® benefits and advocacy resources.

#### 04.

**Make an appointment** to receive academic advising and get registered for classes.

asuonline.asu.edu/admission/military

# What does honor mean to you?

Snap a photo of your honor sticker. Tag us on IG @sundevilvets and use #sundevilvets.

veterans.asu.edu

The Pat Tillman Veterans Center is dedicated to upholding the tradition of honor displayed by all the branches of our military. Through a holistic approach, we intend to provide unparalleled opportunities for our military and veteran affiliated students. We offer an entry point into a network of organizations and employers who want to contribute to your career aspirations. We believe your service to our country should be reciprocated with outstanding service and resources for you to succeed in your journey here at Arizona State University and beyond.

veterans.asu.edu/honor-badge

# Your new team: Pat Tillman Veterans Center

The Pat Tillman Veterans Center at ASU is committed to creating an empowering environment for student veterans, active military, spouses and dependents as the foundation for their academic success.

It's why we are consistently recognized as one of the best schools in the country, both on campus and online, for veterans and the military community.

All of us in the center understand where you're coming from because we are veterans and dependents too. And we hire student veterans through VA Work-Study to help us in the center with customer service and outreach support.

We are your new team.

### We're here for you.

Our advocacy team consists of veterans who have successfully navigated the college experience after military service. We understand the challenges, struggles and successes that student veterans and students currently serving may face. We care about each military, veteran and dependent student in the ASU community. veterans.asu.edu/advocates

We serve the student veteran and military communities on all four metro Phoenix campuses; at ASU's locations at Lake Havasu, Cochise, Central Arizona, Eastern Arizona, Western Arizona and Tucson; and ASU Online. veterans.asu.edu/community

While you're adapting to this new chapter in your life, we're making sure your education benefits are processed correctly, building new connections for you to take advantage of and creating a supportive environment for you. We provide:

- VA benefits processing and services.
- A veteran graduation honor stole.
- Internship and career opportunities.
- Meeting and lounge spaces.
- Orientation and workshops.
- Student worker positions.
- A success course for veterans.
- A network of successful veterans and alumni.
- VetSuccess on Campus counseling.



# **VetSuccess** at ASU.

Your transition from active duty to college life is made easier with professional experience assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs staff member at ASU — our full-time vocational rehabilitation counselor.

Contact our VetSuccess on Campus counselor to get more information, guidance, advising, assistance and referrals for:

- VA benefits.
- VA education benefits.
- VA medical centers.
- Disability compensation.
- Vocational exploration and career goals.
- On-campus resources and services.
- Peer-to-peer counseling.
- Federal job searches.

ASU is one of the original institutions selected for this VA program that helps veterans with services such as vocational testing, career counseling and readjustment counseling to promote successful completion of their education and employment goals.

veterans.asu.edu/vet-success-campus



Questions about benefits

ptvc@asu.edu | 480-965-7723

Questions about admission asuveterans@asu.edu

VetSuccess on Campus counselor troy.rundle@va.gov | 480-727-5627

Student clubs and organizations asu.edu/clubs

Career and Professional Development Services <a href="mailto:assu.edu/cs">asu.edu/cs</a>

"Our voice leads us in the direction of the person we wish to become, but it is up to us whether or not to follow."

- Pat Tillman, April 8, 2002

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ASU ahead of MIT and Stanford

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