**OFFICE OF VETERAN & MILITARY SERVICES** 

INFORMATION GUIDE

# WE WELCOME OUR MILITARY — AND— THEIR FAMILIES



Jorge Lugo '16

U.S. Navy Reserve

Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management





#### YOUR PATH TO SUCCESS

#### Why SUNY New Paltz?

SUNY New Paltz is a creative, diverse, challenging and supportive environment offering degrees in a broad variety of academic majors. We are consistently recognized in national and international rankings of colleges and universities, and we are honored to support hundreds of veteran, service member and dependents among our student, faculty and staff populations.

- We accept credits earned through your service, CLEP, DONTE and other colleges and universities.
- We give you options for completing your degree.
   We have flexible course offerings to meet your needs with online, evening and traditional meeting times.
- We help you map out your program by pairing you with a military and veteran liaison, who works with you to build strong relationships with advising and career resource offices.
- We make it affordable by remaining committed to providing students with the best education possible at an affordable cost while ensuring that our veteran, military and dependent students are able to access all aid and benefits they have earned through their service and that of their family members. Feel free to check out our cost of attendance at: <a href="https://www.newpaltz.edu/student\_accounts/tuition.php">www.newpaltz.edu/student\_accounts/tuition.php</a>
- We have resources including a fully staffed Office of Veteran & Military Services, laptops with Common Access Card (CAC) readers so you can stay connected with your Service Branch, partnerships with off campus veteran agencies and more...
- We offer campus discounts to military and veteran students, including:
  - Free Parking Permits
  - Waived pre-enrollment deposit
  - 20% discount at our campus bookstore, and more...

# Thanks to these advantages, SUNY New Paltz has also been:



#### PAYING FOR YOUR EDUCATION

SUNY New Paltz accepts all of the following military educational benefit programs:

# Department of Veteran Affairs Educational and Training Benefits:

- Post 9/11 GI BILL
- Montgomery GI BILL Active Duty
- Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve
- Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP)
- Post-Vietnam Veteran Educational Assistance Program (VEAP)
- Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Services (Voc. Rehab.)
- Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program
- Tuition Assistance Top Up
- Tutorial Assistance
- National Testing Program
- Licensing and Certification
- VA Work-Study Program

All VA educational related benefits can be found by visiting: www.gibill.va.gov

#### **Military Tuition Assistance**

Visit www.military.com/education to learn more about your options

- U.S. Army
- U.S. Navy
- U.S. Marines
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Air Force

#### Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

• Free application at: www.fafsa.ed.gov

#### New York State Educational Benefits

- New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC): www.hesc.ny.gov
- New York State Financial Aid for Veterans and their Families: www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/militarycorner.html

#### SUNY New Paltz Scholarship Opportunities

- Undergraduate Students: newpaltz.academicworks.com
- Graduate Students: www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/ funding.html

# "Best Colleges for Veterans"

among North Regional Universities

- U.S. News & World Report

## Samuel Davies '16

U.S. Air National Guard Bachelor of Arts Degree in Marketing



## **CAREER GOALS:**

"Work in a marketing or corporate real estate department for a large cooperation in order to gain experience and achieve their corporate mission. After getting a firm foundation laid in business, it is my goal to develop my business plan and start my own company."

### TOOLS TO HELP YOU SUCCEED

Military, Veteran and Dependent (spouse or child) students who enroll at SUNY New Paltz gain access to a variety of resources to ensure their success:

- Veteran, Service member and Dependent Student Orientation where we will learn about you and ensure you know how to take advantage of the services New Paltz offers.
- Veteran and Military Services Programs offers a wide range of programs and services that promote engagement and community among student veterans and their families.
- Veteran, Military & Dependent Mentoring Program
  connects newly enrolled military affiliated students with
  both a faculty and a peer student mentor helping our
  students succeed in all aspects of the college experience.
- Career Resource Center where you can meet with a career specialist who works specifically with your major. Our HawkHire online database gives our students and alumni access to volunteer, internship and full-time postings.
- Academic Advising Center has professional staff that collaborates with faculty and professional staff members across campus to deliver a multifaceted program of academic advisement and retention services for our students.
- Center for Student Success (CSS) promotes student learning, academic engagement and timely degree completion through the coordination of tutoring, writing assistance and holistic academic success programs.
- my.newpaltz is your gateway into everything at SUNY New Paltz.
- Sojourner Truth Library provides you access to thousands of online and hard copy books, articles, peer reviewed journals and other academic resources to help you succeed.
- Campus Bookstore is your one stop shop for all of your study needs. We have textbooks, computer software, guided learning packages and much more. Check out our SUNY New Paltz Bookstore on campus or visit us online at sunynewpaltzshop.com.
- Disability Resource Center provides services to academically qualified students with permanent or temporary disabilities to ensure access to programs and activities in the pursuit of attaining their educational objectives.
- Psychological Counseling Center provides
   preventative and clinical services to our military and their
   families to enhance their ability to succeed academically
   and participate fully in the college experience.



# Jade Lewis '18

Dependent of a Navy Veteran Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communication Studies

### **CAREER GOALS:**

"I hope to have, or be part of, a platform to where I can speak on black issues and just uplift women of color."

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM GATHERING



TRANSFER ORIENTATION



## **YOUR STEPS TO SUCCESS** APPLYING TO SUNY NEW PAIT?

#### APPLY

Whether you are applying as an Undergraduate or Graduate student, visit our website for step-by-step instructions:

- Visit us at: www.newpaltz.edu/veterans
- Under Resources click on "Applying to New Paltz"
- Select one of two options: Undergraduate or Graduate Studies
- Follow the steps

2 ENROLL
Once accepted, you will receive a SUNY New Paltz Acceptance Packet with a checklist of instructions for:

- Getting your Pre-Enrollment Deposit Waived
- Submission of Health/Immunization Records
- Signing up for Orientation
- Signing up for Class

3 PAYING FOR SCHOOL
Contact the Office of Veteran & Military Services to see what you may qualify for at 845-257-3124 or np-vms@newpaltz.edu

# 4 GRADUATE

New Paltz confers degrees three times a year: May, August and December, so you can stay on track and move your career forward. Graduates may attend our annual commencement ceremony each May on campus wearing our Red, White & Blue graduate chords sponsored by the Office of Veteran & Military Services.





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#### STAY CONNECTED!





