WELCOME STUDENTS!

Whether you are a new or returning student this semester, MVP is ready to help!

Remember to submit your certification request to the MVP office as soon as you have registered for classes with no expected changes.

Jeremy Sedeno is a homegrown gentleman. He Graduated from Coronado High School and had his first two children, Lorenzo and Makenzie, before venturing into the United States Army. Jeremy was stationed in Ft. Benning GA for his basic training. He was then sent to Ft. Sam Houston to train as a combat medic. Upon finishing training, Jeremy was sent to his duty station at Ft. Hood TX, where he was stationed for seven years.

In 2005 Jeremy was deployed to Iraq in Operation Iraqi Freedom III, where he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Combat Medical Badge for providing treatment under fire.

Upon being medically discharged in 2007 due to an injury sustained in Iraq, Jeremy enrolled at Texas Tech where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in History and Ethnic Studies (2010) and a Masters in Secondary Education (2012). Jeremy’s dedication to his education and to his brothers in arms has led him to find a home at Texas Tech University. Jeremy Sedeno is a Unit Coordinator & Recruiting & Outreach Specialist here at the MVP department where he has dedicated his time to helping Veterans and dependents of Veterans to utilize their educational benefits to lead them onto a greater path. Jeremy is a man who believes that once discharged from the service life is just beginning!

As a Veteran with PTS(D); Jeremy found himself in the same shoes as many of the returning veterans. Jeremy found solitude in his studies and with the help of others he now manages his symptoms and is a big advocate for veterans returning in every aspect.

In his free time Jeremy loves spending time with his seven year old son Lincoln while learning to play the Xbox. He and his fiancé love going to the shooting range as well as catching a good movie on Netflix. Jeremy is excited to begin a new journey in a few months as a new Grandfather.

MVP would like to thank Jeremy for his service to veterans and their families!
TRIO Student Support Services Applications Due

TRIO SSS provides lots of services to assist you including FREE printing, one-on-one tutoring, academic coaching, financial literacy, study skills, and graduate school preparation. Most importantly, we provide individual specialized support and encouragement for you as you strive to reach your personal and educational goals.

You may qualify for this free program! Check out the website for more information about the program and APPLY TODAY! http://www.depts.ttu.edu/tribess

Click on this link: TRiO Application, fill out the application completely, and then either email it back to me at trio.sss@ttu.edu (you can sign it when you come in for your interview) or stop by our office and turn it in. We are located in Doak Hall 119E, 806.742.3629. When we receive your application, we will call you in for a 30-minute interview about your academic goals and to see how we can serve you.

Don’t miss out on this great opportunity! We have LIMITED SPACE so please complete your application soon! We look forward to helping you reach your academic and personal goals at Texas Tech University!

NOTICE to Chapter 1607-REAP Students

Section 555 of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2016 amended chapter 1607 of title 10, United States Code, by inserting a new section (16167) to sunset the Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP).

Sunset.—The authority to provide educational assistance under this chapter shall terminate on the date that is four years after the date, November 24, 2019, of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

Limitation on provision of assistance pending sunset.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 and ending on the date that is four years after the date of the enactment of that Act, educational assistance may be provided under this chapter only to a member otherwise eligible for educational assistance under this chapter who received educational assistance under this chapter for a course of study at an educational institution for the enrollment period at the educational institution that immediately preceded the date of the enactment of that Act.

TTU Training Time List for Federal Benefits

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Note: ‘sh’=semester hour(s)
TechVet Boot Camp

Sponsored by TTU Military & Veterans Programs: www.mvp.ttu.edu

Attention all Current or Incoming Veterans or Service Members starting at Texas Tech during the Spring 2016:

When: January 19-20, 2016

Time: 0815-1630 (8:15-4:30pm) each day

Where: 309 TTU Library

What is TechVet Boot Camp?

Military & Veterans Programs will host a Boot Camp for incoming Veterans or Service Members who are starting Texas Tech during the spring 2016 semester or those current TTU Veterans who want to make connections with other TTU Veterans and learn more about Texas Tech. TechVet Boot Camp is designed to help you transition into college life by providing best practices in study skills, time management, writing, money management and more. It is a great way to network and meet other veteran students who will also be starting Tech this semester right along with YOU!

Our special guests include the Brain Performance Institute, or BPI. BPI will offer high performance brain training program known as Strategic Memory Advance Reasoning Training or SMART. You will learn strategies to revive your everyday routine and boost your brain power. Sessions are interactive with exercises that encourage discussion, creative thinking, and practical application. Learn more at: http://brainperformanceinstitute.com/ There will also be other short presentations from a variety of TTU departments and free breakfast and lunch each day!

How to Register for TechVet Boot Camp:

Go to http://events.tlpd.ttu.edu/View/Member/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=1404

Enter your ERaider ID and Password.

In the SEARCH box, enter “TechVet”

Under EVENT NAME, click on the words “TechVet Boot Camp”

Click “Register”

No single day attendance is allowed, you MUST attend both days!

Please cancel your registration if you cannot attend for any reason to reopen a spot.

Other Information will be sent to you at your TTU Email address after you register.

For more information, contact Military & Veterans Programs: mvp@ttu.edu

Only 50 seats are available!
Shine the Light

*Each month, we will shine the light on a special office on campus which you need to know more about. Click on the link below to learn even more!*

**RISE: Risk Intervention & Safety Education**

The Risk Intervention & Safety Education (RISE) Office is a new department at Texas Tech focused on Prevention & Wellness efforts for the Red Raider Community. The RISE Office hosts educational programming and fun FREE events!

Texas Tech is committed to the safety and wellness of all Red Raiders. This goal is best achieved when we all play a part in creating a community of care for our fellow Raiders and a campus climate that is welcoming. Safety and wellness are shared responsibilities of students, faculty, and staff on our campus. When we say "I am a Red Raider!" we are committing to being part of the TTU Family.

Visit their website at: [http://www.depts.ttu.edu/riise/](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/riise/)

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**VATT: Veterans at Texas Tech**

*Get connected! Join this student group. It is for anyone who is a veteran or anyone who wishes to support veterans and their family members. Next Event:*

The purpose of the Veterans Association to provide a sense of camaraderie and community outreach for United States military veterans, those who are currently serving or under contractual obligation in the United States military, and those patriots who support the United States military in any way, shape, or form.

For more info, visit the webpage at: [https://orgsync.com/7497/chapter](https://orgsync.com/7497/chapter)
Or on Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/groups/ttuveteran/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ttuveteran/)
[https://www.facebook.com/VeteransAssociationAtTexasTech](https://www.facebook.com/VeteransAssociationAtTexasTech)
## Upcoming Events & Deadlines

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<td>June 3, 2016 1130 Lunch 1300 Shotgun Start</td>
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Military Service Members and Veterans Survey Request from a PhD candidate student:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BTMNN55

Survey on communication apprehension in military romantic relationships and feedback on how communication changes during time of separation (I.E.-deployment, TDY, training, special duty assignment or PCS) Face-to-face interviews will also be conducted. My goal of the study is to possibly inform organizations like Airman & Family Readiness with communication techniques that may alleviate relationship dissatisfaction and decrease divorce/separation rates as well as clarify certain stereotypes portrayed by the media. I am primarily seeking responses from married or divorced couples or those in a long term committed romantic relationship. Additionally, any feedback or insight any of any veteran, regardless of relationship status, would greatly contribute to my research.

If you have any questions please contact me via telephone at 575-825-5985 or via email at desiree.markham@ttu.edu, or if you would like to be interviewed.

Visit our website to register:
http://www.depts.ttu.edu/diversity/mvp/tournament.php
Mission

Military & Veterans Programs is here to assist veterans and their families in achieving academic and personal success.

Vision

Our vision is to be the university of choice for military personnel, veterans, and their families. Military & Veterans programs will assist the students it serves in a seamless transition from military to civilian life, support and encourage campus and community engagement, and help provide a positive experience through degree completion and on to a successful future.

About MVP:

- Find links to Certification Info and Checklists on our website.
- Find links to campus, community, state and federal resources just a click away on our website.
- Liaisons from each academic and Student Support office are also listed for your convenience on our website.
- If you are struggling in a class, Texas Tech has many avenues for tutoring and mentoring. Just let us know.
- Need a friendly face or to chat? Need resources on or off campus? Contact the MVP Office at anytime and we can help connect you.
  
  You are not alone!

Text Alerts!

Remind 101 is a one-way text and email messaging system. All personal information remains completely confidential. Sign up for TTU MVP Text Message System via Text.

Text @ttumvp to 806.731.4100

You can opt-out at any time by replying: "unsubscribe @ttumvp"

Sign up for TTU MVP Text Message System via Email

Send an email to ttumvp@mail.remind.com

You can opt-out at any time by replying: "unsubscribe" in the subject line

Note: MVP will not bombard you with texts. MVP will only send texts concerning important information regarding benefits or upcoming events through Remind 101.