



From the Director

Hope you are getting back into the school routine as we get started with the 25-26 school year. If you have time to stop by and visit with us when you are on campus, the office is in Model Hall Room 208.

The Military Resource Center continues to serve our military educational benefited students, both remotely and in person.

We continue to improve current practices with many of the suggestions you have provide us — that include policies and guidelines allowing us to better serve your needs as you work to accomplish your academic goals!

Andy Heitkamp
Military Resource Center Director



Check out the Minot State Veterans Service Center Facebook page and give it a  to stay current with events.

www.facebook.com/MinotStateVeterans

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Be seen. Be heard. Belong.

Activities Attended

AUGUST

6	Safe Communities Meeting	21	Student Registration resource fair
7	DAV Coffee	21	Campus QPR suicide training
7	NDUS defensive driving workshop	22	Student Affairs meeting
7	Minot Area Military Affairs meeting	25	Student Affairs Meeting
11	Campus Riddle Walk meeting	25	New student welcome
11	Student Affairs meeting	26	Workplace Violence Prevention train
12	State Approving Agency School certifying official 1/4ly meeting	26	Sentinel Townhall and Scoping meeting
12	Campus Riddle Walk event	27	Behavioral Intervention Team meeting
13	Data Analytics workshop	27	Data Analytics workshop
14	DAV picnic	28	Elison Veteran Lunch
19	State Approving Agency Military Academic Affairs committee meeting	28	Thedifaha meeting
19	Resident Assistant campus office tours	29	VA compliance campus visit
20	Convocation		
20	Fall Kick-off		

Sept 1 - UNIVERSITY CLOSED Labor Day



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Simplifying the Post-9/11 GI Bill® Application Process

Applicants to receive immediate decision after submitting application.

For the first time in 78 years, [G.I. Bill®](#) applicants can receive an immediate, real-time education benefits decision, thanks to the simplified Post-9/11 G.I. Bill® application experience.

Since 1944, over 25 million beneficiaries have taken advantage of G.I. Bill® benefits. Many of these individuals waited up to a month to receive an eligibility decision — a month of waiting to plan their future, a month of waiting to take the next step toward their educational goals. But not anymore, thanks to VA's most recent modernization updates, through the Digital G.I. Bill® (DGIB) initiative. Learn more on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=ZhOiYjXMGP0>).

MINOT VETS FOR VETS PRESENTS

ALL-VETERAN'S GROUP



HONORING THE BRAVE TUESDAY @ 1730HRS

1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS

720 WESTERN AVE. SUITE 101, MINOT ND

(701) 852-1924,
MINOTVETSFORVETS@GMAIL.COM

James's Corner



Thank you for your continued assistance in helping our office get your enrollment certified each term. As a reminder, you must notify our office immediately when you make changes to your enrollment to prevent over or underpayment by the VA- WAVE reporting does not inform our office and does not adjust your records if you make changes. As always, we are here to help you. If you cannot remember how to access the worksheet or think that there may be something you are missing, CALL US, 701-858-4003 we want you to succeed!

Respectfully,

James Tucci - Veterans School Certifying Official



Important Dates

Academic Dates

September

- 1 Labor Day (University closed)
- 8 International Literacy Day
- 10 Tuition due
- 10 Financial aid disbursement

US Armed Forces Dates

September

- 2 VJ Day
- 7 Labor Day
- 11 Patriot Day
- 18 Armed Forces Birthday
- 18 Air Force Day
- 18 Air National Guard Birthday
- 18 POW/MIA Day
- 21 International Day of Peace
- 27 Gold Star Mother's Day

September is...

Sept 9th - R U OK Day
Hispanic Heritage Month
National Preparedness Month
National Suicide Prevention Month
Blood Cancer Awareness Month

OFFICE HOURS

8 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Military Resource Center

Minot State University

Dakota Hall

500 University Ave W

Minot, ND 58707

701-858-4003 / 1-800-777-0750

MinotStateU.edu

ND Caregiver Support Program



<https://carechoice.nd.assistguide.net/>

Finding a service

<https://carechoice.nd.assistguide.net/find-a-service>

**If you are aware of individuals that are the Primary Care Giver,
- to their spouse and/or significant other, whom is NOT a Veteran,
--the attached is a ND sponsored program, that may help/assist them.**

Adults and aging

<https://www.hhs.nd.gov/adults-and-aging>

Aging and Disability Resource-LINK (toll free): [1-855-462-5465](tel:1-855-462-5465)



View your disability ratings

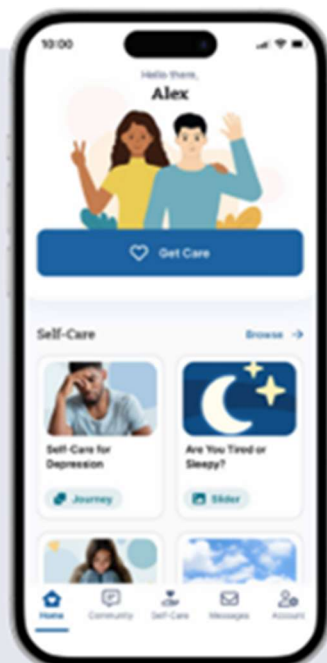
<https://www.va.gov/disability/view-disability-rating/>

If you have one or more disability ratings, you can view your VA combined disability rating and your individual ratings online. We assign a disability rating based on the severity of your disability.

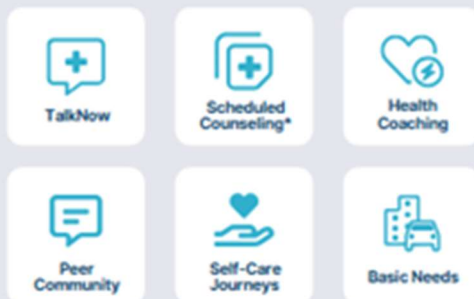


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Get virtual health and
well-being resources from
your phone or computer



24/7 Virtual Health and Well-Being Support



*12 visits per year



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& Counseling Services

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GI Bill enrollment verification FAQs

You will need to verify your enrollment every month to receive your GI Bill benefit payments. Your enrollment verification helps avoid overpayments that you would need to pay back later.

Find out how to verify your enrollment

[\(Verify Your School Enrollment | Veterans Affairs\)](#)

Do I need to verify my enrollment?

For Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits: You will need to verify your enrollment if you get monthly housing allowance or kicker payments.

Both of these must be true for you:

- You are enrolled in an institution of higher learning or a non-college degree program, like training for HVAC repair or truck driving, **and**
- You are enrolled half-time or more

You do not need to verify your enrollment if you're completing an apprenticeship, or on-the-job, flight, or correspondence training.

For Montgomery GI Bill benefits: You will need to verify your enrollment if both of these are true for you:

- You are enrolled in an institution of higher learning or a non-college degree program, like training for HVAC repair or truck driving, **and**
- You are enrolled half-time or more

You do not need to verify your enrollment if you are completing an apprenticeship, or on-the-job, flight, or correspondence training.

If you do not verify your enrollment

For Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits: We will pause your monthly benefit payments after 2 consecutive months of not verifying your enrollment.

For Montgomery GI Bill benefits: We will not send your monthly benefits payment if you do not verify your enrollment.

When do I verify my enrollment?

You will need to verify your enrollment at the end of every month after your school starts. For example, if your school starts on August 5, you will need to verify your enrollment on or after August 31.

If you were enrolled in school for any part of the month, you will need to verify your enrollment for that month. For example, if your school ends on May 5, you will need to verify your enrollment for the month of May on or after May 5.

How do I check my enrollment information?

Sign in to our online tool to check your enrollment information.

[Find out how to check your enrollment information online](#)

You can also check your enrollment information on your education decision letter.

[Find out how to get a copy of your decision letter](#)

If your enrollment information is incorrect

[Use our GI Bill Comparison Tool to find your SCO](#)

When will I get my monthly benefit payment?

For Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits: We process your benefit payment on the first day of every month. It can take up to 5 days to arrive.

If you get your monthly benefit payment before verifying your enrollment, you should still verify your enrollment. We pause your monthly benefit payments after 2 consecutive months of not verifying your enrollment.

For Montgomery GI Bill benefits: We process your benefit payment after you verify your enrollment. It can take up to 5 days to arrive.

If you do not get your monthly benefit payment after 5 days

You can contact us through Ask VA to ask about your benefit payment.

[Contact us through Ask VA](#)

Or, you can call us at [888-442-4551](tel:888-442-4551) (TTY: 711). If you live outside of the U.S., call us at +1-[918-781-5678](tel:918-781-5678).

How do I update my contact information for verifying my enrollment?

You can update your contact information in either of these ways:

- [Contact us through Ask VA](#)
- Call us at [888-442-4551](tel:888-442-4551) (TTY: 711). If you live outside of the U.S., call us at +1-[918-781-5678](tel:918-781-5678).

For Montgomery GI Bill benefits

You can also sign in to our online tool to update your contact information and direct deposit information.

[Find out how to update your information online](#)

Note: The updates you make using this tool will change only the direct deposit and contact information connected to your Montgomery GI Bill benefits. To update your information for any other benefits, you'll need to go to your [VA.gov](https://va.gov) profile.

What if I have more questions about verifying my enrollment?

You can get answers to your questions in either of these ways:

- [Contact us through Ask VA](#)
- Call us at [888-442-4551](tel:888-442-4551) (TTY: 711). If you live outside of the U.S., call us at +1-[918-781-5678](tel:918-781-5678).

FAQ's on your housing and book payments

<https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/HousingandBookPaymentFAQs.pdf>

Ask your School Certifying Official (SCO) to update your information as soon as possible.

Note: You can use our GI Bill Comparison Tool to search for your school and find your SCO.



**EDUCATION SERVICE
GI BILL PROGRAMS**

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FIRST ANNUAL

SWEAT FOR VETS

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2025

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO
MINOT VETS FOR VETS

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

WORKOUT, LIVE DJ, FOOD VENDORS, LOCAL BUSINESS
VENDORS, AND MORE.

ZUMBA CHECK-IN: 8:30AM (LED BY YMCA)

ZUMBA WORKOUT: 9:00AM

CROSSFIT CHECK-IN: 10:30AM (LED BY CROSSFIT MINOT)

CROSSFIT WORKOUT: 11:00 AM

\$15 ENTRY FEE GETS YOU INTO THE WORKOUT ALONG
WITH A FREE SWAG BAG & AN EVENT T SHIRT
(\$50 VALUE)

SIGN-UP HERE



WORKOUT WILL TAKE PLACE IN
DOWNTOWN MINOT AS PART OF
THE FESTIVAL ON MAIN.

MINOT AFB JOB FAIR

28 August 2025 • 3:30PM - 5:30PM
Jimmy Doolittle Center
174 Summit Drive • Minot AFB, ND

**START A NEW JOB OR CAREER
ON-BASE OR IN MINOT!**

Local businesses and on-base employers will be on hand to talk about available positions, pay, benefits, and more!

If you are a business/employer who would like to have a table at the event, please reach out to Cindy Bitz at (701) 857-7546 or email at cbitz@nd.gov

For details, call the M&FRC at 723-3950 or email 5fss.family.support@us.af.mil

Hosted by the
Military & Family Readiness Center
and Job Service North Dakota.



5THFORCESUPPORT.COM



The [Veteran Readiness and Employment \(VR&E\) Service](#) has a web-based tool and series of videos that are designed to increase understanding of the VR&E program and enhance the Veteran experience. The Veteran Orientation Express is intended for transitioning service members, Veterans and other partners interested in the VR&E program, and is hosted here: [Veteran Readiness and Employment Orientation | Veteran Affairs \(va.gov\)](#).

Our goal is to provide individuals with clear, accurate information about the VR&E program before deciding to apply, including:

- VR&E eligibility
- Basic information about what VR&E offers
- VR&E process
- VR&E's Five Tracks to Employment

2ND ANNUAL STAND DOWN



Veterans are invited to the Community Veteran Stand Down event in downtown Fargo. This event will focus on providing education about the PACT Act, healthcare for homeless veterans and VA enrollment.

★ ★ ★ Featuring live music and a free meal from 11am to 1pm. ★ ★ ★

THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 11
10AM - 2PM

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FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

PATRIOT RUCK

Join us for a 13-mile Ruck March in remembrance of the fallen heroes of 9/11
Round Trip route begins at the Minot Family YMCA heading west on 37th Ave

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 | MINOT FAMILY YMCA

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

CHECK IN: 8AM
OPENING REMARKS: 8:45AM
SHOTGUN START: 9AM



MINOT FAMILY YMCA

📍 3515 16TH ST SW | MINOT, ND

✉️ WWW.YMCAMINOT.ORG

☎️ 701.852.0141

Veterans Stand Down

OCTOBER 16, 2025

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Armed Forces Reserve Center
3420 2nd St. NE, Minot
(North of the Minot Int'l Airport)

Bring Your DD214, VA Card, or
Drivers Lic. with "V" designation as
Proof of Veteran Status, if possible

Services Provided

Veterans Benefits
Health Care
Legal Services
Counseling
Housing Assistance
Hygiene Items
Flu Shots
Employment Assistance
Lunch is provided



For more information contact:

Kelli Weiand at 701-340-2779 or colleen.y.weiand.nfg@army.mil

Suicide Prevention Conference



**“With Help There is Hope:
Providing Hope Across
Generations”**

September 24, 2025
Bismarck Career Center
and Virtually

Please join us for a day of
hope, learning and resources.

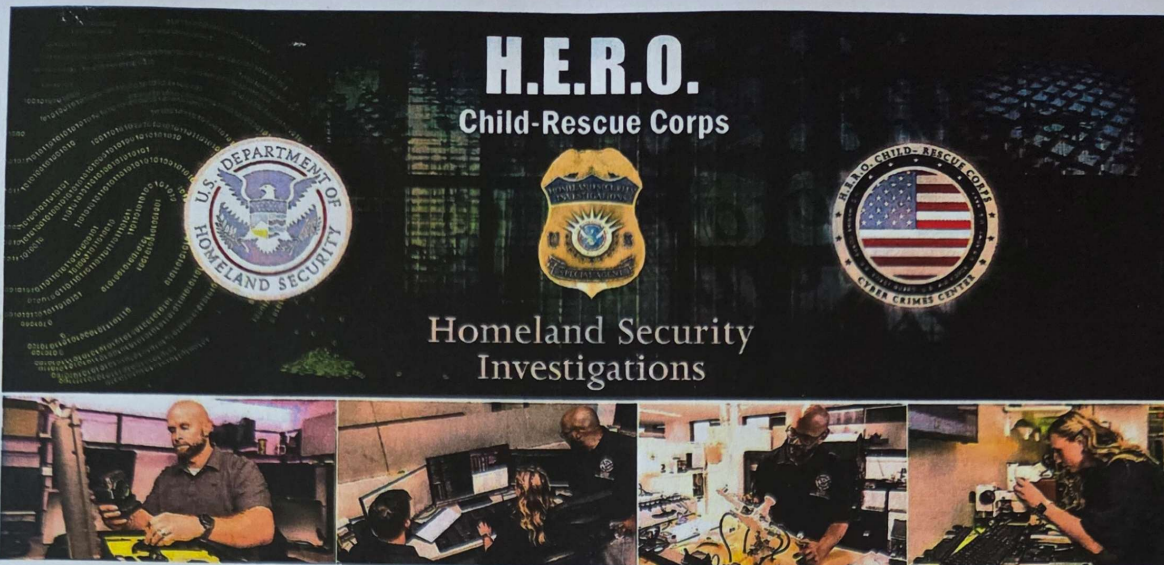
Free with lunch and
CEUs provided for
ND Social Workers, Nurses,
Counselors, EMS, Peer Support,
and POST.



Register by clicking or
scanning the QR code



ndsuiicidepreventioncoalition@gmail.com | ndspc.org



The Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Human Exploitation Rescue Operation (HERO) Child Rescue Corps is a paid federal internship that is open to disabled veterans and disabled active duty service members who are transitioning out of the service due to wounds, illness, or injury. (VA/DoD Disability rating)

The HERO Program is operated by HSI and managed by the DHS Cyber Crimes Center.

The program mission is to combat the growing problem of child exploitation by recruiting, training, and equipping wounded, ill, or injured veterans to become computer forensic analysts (CFAs). Although positions are not guaranteed, our goal at the end of the internship is to hire successful interns as full-time CFAs to assist Special Agents in the rescue of child sexual victims, the prosecution of sexual predators, and the prevention of child sexual abuse.

The HERO Program consists of 13 weeks of paid HSI introductory and forensic training, followed by a 9 month long paid internship in computer forensics at HSI offices throughout the U.S. Locations are selected during the application and hiring process.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- VA/DoD Disability Rating or Statement of Service
- Proof of Honorable Discharge (DD214)
- Provide all requested supporting documents to include an essay addressing specific topics
- Pass Criminal History, Background Investigation, and Drug Test Screening
- Obtain and maintain Top Secret Clearance
- Must attend all interviews and training
- Willing to relocate at own expense to selected office location



PROGRAM TRAINING:

- 13 weeks of paid introductory and computer forensic training in Fairfax, VA, leading to certifications in Comp TIA A+ and forensic software programs
- 9 months paid practical experience assisting HSI Special Agents with criminal cases and prosecutions at various HSI domestic office locations

PROGRAM BENEFITS:

- Paid training and internship at the GS-5 or GS-7 grade level
- Lodging and per diem provided during the 13 weeks of training
- Paid Annual Leave, Sick leave, and Holidays
- Federal Health, Dental, and Vision Insurance

hero@hsl.dhs.gov

Follow the QR Code for:

- Application Link
- Job Locations
- Sign up for Updates
- More Info

Do you need a new mission?

**PHEASANTS
FOREVER**

VFW
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.®

MINOT VFW

**SAKAKAWEA
PHEASANTS
FOREVER**

VETERANS HUNT

09.06.2025

10 a.m.

Turtle Lake Wildlife Club
Land Courtesy of: Gordy Nord

**A VETERAN-ONLY UPLAND BIRD HUNT – ENJOY THE
OUTDOORS, CONNECT WITH FELLOW SERVICE MEMBERS,
AND EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF THE HUNT.**

**VISIT: [HTTP://BIT.LY/47KCJSX](http://bit.ly/47KCJSX)
TO REGISTER**





How to Verify Enrollment for GI Bill® Students

<https://youtu.be/U3d09fUluxM?feature=shared>