

## THE VET CORPS

The VCC Vet Corps is funded through an AmeriCorps grant.

Vet Corps members are stationed at many colleges throughout the state. They help veterans achieve their higher education goals by:

- Working with College Certifying Officials or Veterans Representatives
- Navigating the GI Bill and Financial Aid Office
- Providing connections with federal, state or local veterans benefits.

This program helps veterans navigate Washington's higher education and training programs to help veterans adjust from military life to college life!



*Vet Corps Members were sworn in by Governor Gregoire during a ceremony at the Capitol.*

## TRAINING PROGRAMS

### Community & Technical Colleges

A wide variety of training opportunities are available at Washington's community and technical colleges. The site below lists programs of study and the community and technical colleges that provide them:

[http://www.sbctc.edu/college/workforce/matrix\\_2010.pdf](http://www.sbctc.edu/college/workforce/matrix_2010.pdf)

### Four Year Colleges and Universities

Looking for a four year degree? Access this site to view a list of colleges and universities authorized to operate in Washington.

<http://www.hecb.wa.gov/autheval/daa/listofcolleges.asp>

### Apprenticeship Programs

There are apprenticeship programs available in fields ranging from plumbing and electrical work to laying asphalt and zinc imprinting! Pathways into energy training programs such as the Smart Grid and Power Plant Operation. This link will provide you with more information:

[www.lni.wa.gov/tradeslicensing/apprenticeship/programs/](http://www.lni.wa.gov/tradeslicensing/apprenticeship/programs/)

Or call the WDVA Helmets to Hardhats Liaison at (360) 725-9842.



## HOW THE VCC CAN HELP YOU!

The VCC and Vet Corps are ready to help as you make decisions about your education or training program.

VCC Field Coordinators are located in communities throughout the state and Vet Corps members are stationed at colleges, universities and other community locations.

They will help you navigate the college or training system by linking you to appropriate internal resources, such as a student veteran's club and study or testing assistance, and appropriate external resources, such as Veterans Service Officers, and Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs or Federal VA services.

They will also help connect you with additional experiences to enhance your resume, and lead you a career or small business opportunity.

- Connections to Mentors
- Internships
- Job Shadowing
- Community Service Projects

For More Information contact Jason:  
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## THE VETERANS CONSERVATION CORPS

At the VCC, our Mission is to assist veterans by providing training and volunteer opportunities that restore and protect Washington State's natural resources.

Volunteer Opportunities Include:

- o Stream Restoration & Monitoring
- o Re-vegetation of Native Plants
- o Restoration of Watersheds, Forests, Prairies or Native Grasslands
- o Office or Clerical Duties
- o Environmental or Community Education
- o Other Protection or Restoration Activities



For more information contact:  
JasonA@dva.wa.gov  
or call 1-800-562-2308.

## SMALL BUSINESS

Are you a veteran or servicemember interested in starting your own small business? The Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs is here to help!

The Veterans Conservation Corps, Veteran / Servicemember Owned Business Registry and Veteran Linked Deposit Program can work together to help you:

- Find on-line and in-person resources;
- Register your small business on-line; and
- Apply for a reduced rate business loan!



Veteran/Servicemember Owned Business Registry at:

<http://www.dva.wa.gov/BusinessRegistry/default.aspx>

Learn how to qualify for business loan interest rate reductions through the Veterans Linked Deposit Program at:

<http://www.dva.wa.gov/Linked%20Deposit.html>

For more information contact:

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# Veterans Conservation Corps



## Connecting Veterans to Green Collar Careers

