VETERAN FRIENDLY CAMPUS

- Yellow Ribbon Company.
- Ranked #4 in the Nation on the Military Times Best: Career and Technical Colleges list in 2021.
- Application fee is waived for veterans.
- Early registration for veterans.
- Parking spaces for veterans and current military.

- Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Committee: Supports student-veterans, service members and their families; honor their service; and advocate for military-friendly policies and practices.
  - Conducts annual Veterans Satisfaction Survey.
  - Student Veterans participate on the committee.

Veteran's Club

- Builds camaraderie within the student-veteran community and bridge the transition from military life to their civilian, personal and educational goals.

MILITARY AND VETERANS SERVICE CENTER

- Staffed by Kathy Bachman, MN DVA Higher Ed. Regional Coordinator and VA Work study.
- School Certifying Official visits weekly.
- County Veterans Service Officer visits once per month.
- Computer area, lounge area, refrigerator, microwave and private meeting room.

CHALLENGE COIN

- Graduating Veterans receive a DCTC Challenge coin.

CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

- Get credit for military training and service, certifications, and national examinations.
- Fast Track completion degrees:
  - Technical Management.
  - Individualized Studies.
  - Other programs that have credit for prior learning options.
FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Military & Veteran Benefits.
  - Most military and veteran education benefits are treated as resources, not income, for Federal student aid purposes. This means veterans should not report their veteran’s education benefits as income on the FAFSA.
- Veteran status for Financial Aid Purposes.
  - Veterans and active duty military personnel are considered automatically independent for federal need analysis purposes.
  - Independent students do not need to report their parents' financial information on the FAFSA.
- DCTC Scholarships.
  - Offered to Veterans, current military and their dependents.
  - Scholarships are offered in June and October.
- MN GI Bill – Eligible Veteran, Guard or Reservist who have served 5 years, or eligible dependent. Potential up to $3,000 per academic FY. Must apply for FAFSA and have an honorable or under honorable discharge to be eligible.

GI BILL BENEFITS

- Chapter 33, Post 9/11
  - Pays tuition and fees to the school
  - Student receives book and supply allowance and BAH
  - Student must verify enrollment monthly
- Chapter 30 - Active Duty GI Bill
  - Student receive a monthly stipend based on enrollment
- Chapter 35 (Dependents)
  - Student receives monthly stipend Payment based on enrollment status
- Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation
  - Pays tuition and fees to the school, books and supplies, and Post 9/11 BAH if eligible
- Chapter 1606 – Guard and Reservists actively drilling
  - Student receives monthly stipend. Student must verify enrollment monthly to the VA

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