

# MRC NEWS

The Newsletter of the BSU Military Resource Center

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## MRC Hours of Operation

Thurgood Marshall  
Library-Suite 1126

Monday-Thursday:  
8am-6pm

Friday: 8am-5pm



## Welcome to Bowie State

The Military Resource Center (MRC) opened on October 12, 2012 to serve the military student population attending the university by providing linkages to resources and programs designed to assist their pursuit of a college degree. The MRC, located in the Thurgood Marshall Library, was partially funded through a grant from the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund and generous support from the colleges and schools of the university.

The mission of the MRC is to provide a place at the University where students who have an association with the military may spend time pursuing their studies, interacting with other students with similar backgrounds, and serves as the home of the Student Veterans Association (SVA).

The MRC is designed to assist veterans and active duty military personnel and their dependents. The primary goals of the MRC are:

*Assistance and guidance*



### Student Veteran Leadership Training Program (SVLTP)

With the assistance of the the New Bedford Massachusetts Veteran Administration, we are beginning the Student Veteran Leadership Training Program (SVLTP). The SVLTP will provide guidance and support to new student veterans making the transition to college and college life. We are currently recruiting incoming and transfer students to be fellows in the SVLTP. Benefits of this position include:

- Peer Mentorship
- Academic and Career Workshops
- Fun Campus Events
- Monetary Compensation

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We provide support for the resolution of issues and concerns which a student may be in navigating their academic career and the collegiate environment. We assist students in creating the pathways to a resolution.

### Networking

The Center is designed to connect students and veterans. The MRC is a centralized location of information and interaction of veterans and the military community. The Center maintains information and resources that are available for assistance as well as as an environment for comfortable and constructive social interaction.

### Student Veterans Association (SVA)



The mission of the SVA is to develop and foster a social support network to enable the academic and future success of veterans and their supporters. The SVA has their general body meetings in the MRC.

### Counseling Services

Once a month, a counselor from the Prince George's County Vet Center will come to the MRC to provide counseling services to student veterans. These services will begin on **Monday, October 16th at 1:00pm**. Following that, counseling services will take place the third Monday of each month from 1-5pm.



- **LinkedIn Workshop Sept.30, 2017, 12-3pm, Center for Business and Graduate Studies**

Join us for a LinkedIn Workshop featuring Michael Quinn. This workshop will teach participants how to create a LinkedIn profile that will showcase their valuable skills and attract the attention of employers.

- **Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon-Oct.18, 2017, 11:30-1pm, Library Special Collections Room (2nd floor)**

During this luncheon, speakers will discuss the impact of breast cancer and who is at risk. This is a free event intended to promote awareness and honor those who have been effected by breast cancer.

- **Veterans Day Celebration-Nov. 10, 2017, 11:30-2pm, Student Center Wiseman Ballroom**

BSU's Annual Veterans Day program to honor the citizens who have served in the United States Armed Forces is hosted by the Student Veterans Association (SVA) and the Military Resource Center (MRC). Congressman Anthony Brown (Colonel U.S. Army Retired) will deliver the keynote.

## *Amenities*

The MRC aims to be a place where student veterans can study and engage with peers. The following amenities are available to student veterans:

- Computers and printing
- Keurig for coffee and tea
- Microwave
- Toaster Oven
- Private Study Rooms
- Television with Roku (Netflix)
- CAC Scanners
- Snacks

## *A Message from the President of the Bowie State*



Welcome to the first quarterly newsletter of the Bowie State University Student Veterans Association, or BSUSVA. My name is Michael Cook and I am the 2017/2018 President of the BSUSVA. I am excited for the events and activities we have planned this year. The mission of the BSUSVA is to support student veterans and/or active military during their academic journeys. We want to provide

helpful information and resources as well as a chance to form fulfilling peer relationships. We recognize the transition from military to campus life can be confusing and difficult at times so we want to ensure that we are effectively helping student veterans in making this adjustment. We encourage all student veterans, active military, and civilians to join us at our general body meetings and events this semester.

Best Regards,

Michael Cook