

Advice From Student Veterans

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Student veterans are a diverse group of ambitious, mission-driven individuals—perhaps drawn to higher education for different reasons, but with the shared mission of achieving individual academic and professional goals.

On this Veterans Day and throughout the month, we share insight from veteran students and alumni on the college experience.

What advice would you give to other veterans who are thinking about pursuing a college education?

"Ask questions and be informed about your needs and rights as a

veteran. Get help when needed and find other veterans to connect with. Although statistics on veteran suicides have improved, it is still an epidemic. I will always be available to anyone, of any branch, please reach out. "

Rebecca Ste. Croix '18, [Biotechnology](#)

Aviation Electronics Technician and Calibration Technician, U.S. Navy

"The only advice I would have to say to new veterans attending UNH Manchester is to attack school like you would your military career. Put the time in to do the reading and homework. Ask for help if you're struggling, there is always someone willing to lend a hand. Finally, don't bite off more than you can chew. Start off slowly if you haven't been in school for a while it may take you a bit to develop your study habits and get into a routine."

David Labrie '13, [Master of Public Health](#)

U.S. Army and Army National Guard

"For those veterans new to UNH Manchester, I would highly recommend seeking all the opportunities UNH Manchester has to offer such as the tutoring center, library services and meeting with a guidance counselor to get the help you might need and all your questions answered."

Miki Elms '13, [ASL/English Interpreting](#)

U.S. Air Force

"Do not automatically choose a major that is in line with your military training and/or MOS. See what is out there, do some soul searching and determine a career path that you believe will be rewarding."

Steve Thibault '18, [Computer Information Systems](#)

Boatswain's Mate, Cryptologic Technician and Information Systems Technician, U.S. Navy

Thank you, today and every day, to those who have served, continue to serve or sacrificed their lives for our country.

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