

Veteran Alliance Organization (VALOR) welcomes you to NDSU! This fact sheet is designed to provide student veterans with key contacts and information that will be helpful in navigating services and resources. For additional information on resources see <u>ndsu.edu/valor/student_resources/</u>.

The mission of VALOR is to improve campus climate for student veterans and enhance their success. VALOR allies are staff, faculty, and administrators who have committed to working with veteran students to ensure their success (see <u>ndsu.edu/valor/list of allies/</u> for a list of allies). VALOR works with campus partners to advance the needs and interests of student veterans and can be reached at <u>ndsu.valor@ndsu.edu</u>.

The term "student veterans" includes veterans, active-duty service members, reservists, and members of the National Guard.

<u>Certification of Benefits (ndsu.edu/veterans)</u>: Scott Fuller (NDSU's Certifying Official) and his staff can help you with benefit certification and questions. They are located at **211 Ceres Hall** and can be reached at 701-231-7985 or <u>ndsu.veterans@ndsu.edu</u>.

<u>VET/TRIO/Veteran Services</u>: Jim Stoddard is the institutional hub for a variety of veteran student initiatives and is the advisor to NDSU Bison Student Veterans (NDSUBSV). Reach out to him with any questions or concerns you may have to include academic, cultural, or student engagement matters. Jim is located at **329 Ceres Hall** and can be reached at 701-231-9706 or james.stoddard@ndsu.edu.

<u>Bison Student Veterans (NDSUBSV)</u>: This student organization is dedicated to: assisting student veterans with transition to the collegiate system; creating and maintaining an environment of understanding between student veterans and NDSU faculty, staff, administrators, non-veteran students and the greater university community; and lending support to fellow student veterans with academic and life challenges. This organization meets regularly during the academic year, email them at <u>ndsu.bisonveterans@ndsu.edu</u> or see their Facebook page for upcoming events and additional contact information at <u>facebook.com/NDSUBSV/</u>.

<u>Disability Services</u>: Disability Services collaborates with staff and faculty to meet students' needs. They are located at the **Suite 17**, **Lower Level of Main Library** and can be reached at 701-231-8463 or <u>ndsu.disability.services@ndsu.edu</u>.

<u>Counseling Center</u>: Individual and group counseling is free of charge to students. The Counseling Center is located at **212 Ceres Hall** and can be reached at 701-231-7671.

<u>Veterans Crisis Line</u>: The crisis line is available at 800-273-8255 (Press 1), by text at 838255, and by chat at <u>veteranscrisisline.net/get-help/chat</u>.

<u>VALOR (Faculty Representative and Student Veteran Representative)</u>: Student veterans can contact the VALOR campus representatives with any questions, concerns, or other matters. Carol Cwiak (Faculty Representative) can be reached at 701-231-5847 or <u>carol.cwiak@ndsu.edu</u> and Craig Schwinden (Student Veteran Representative) can be reached at <u>craig.schwinden@ndsu.edu</u>.