

# THE VETERANS METRICS INITIATIVE (TVMI)

WAVE 1 EDUCATION SNAPSHOT

Baseline data collected from study participants 0-90 days post separation

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Issue 5

## STATUS

- 28% of the responding Veterans are currently pursuing these education or training types:
  - Technical or vocational training 3%
  - Undergraduate courses (no degree plan) < 1%
  - Associate's degree 4%
  - Bachelor's degree 14%
  - Master's degree 4%
  - Doctorate degree < 1%</li>
  - Professional degree 1%
  - Graduate courses (no degree plan) < 1%</li>

### FUNCTIONING



- 80% reported that the quality of their coursework was excellent most or all of the time.
- 72% reported doing their part to create a positive learning environment most or all of the time.

## SATISFACTION

 89% reported being satisfied with the quality of their education or training experience.



- 84% reported being satisfied with their learning environment.
- 85% reported being satisfied with the extent to which their coursework is advancing their career goals.

## SCHOOL ACTIVITY

At least once a month,

- 22% participated at the school's Veterans center.
- 15% participated in a Veterans student organization.
- 14% participated in other student organizations.

## PROGRAM CONTENT

• 25% said that they used an education program with the following content components:



- Transfer of military training to academic credit (20%)
- Assistance with educational expenses (5%)
- Academic social support (2%)

## **EDUCATION BENEFITS**

- Women (29%) were more likely to use education programs than men (24%).
- There was no difference between White Non-Hispanic participants' program use and that of participants of other races or ethnicity.
- Junior enlisted participants (26%) were slightly more likely to use education programs than senior enlisted and officers (24%).

#### **COMMON COMPONENTS**

 When content was taught, it was mostly via direct instruction in a lecture style (18%) or in a self-paced manner (15%), followed by homework (12%) or from social support and learning from peers (11%).



- 47% of participants used programs that were online or through an app; 26% had face-to-face individual contact.
- 52% of Veterans reported using programs without didactic content, which occurred in programs that provide tuition assistance.



The most commonly reported tangible support provided was
scholarships for education (43%).

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