Military & Veteran Priority Enrollment Policy

Military & Veteran students receive course scheduling preference at public institutions of higher education in Pennsylvania. This is in compliance with <u>the Higher Education Course Scheduling</u> <u>Preference for Veteran Students Act [Act of May 14, 2014, P.L. 667, No. 46</u> (known as "Act 46")]

Eligibility

- Veteran Student An individual who (i) is a Veteran (as defined below) or is an active duty service member, (ii) has been admitted to the University of Pittsburgh, and (iii) resides in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania while enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh.
- Veteran An individual who (i) has served in the United States Armed Forces, including a reserve component of the National Guard, and (ii) was discharged or released from such service under conditions other than dishonorable.

Veterans who completed their obligated service in the Reserves and National Guard but were not deployed to active duty are included in this definition of Veteran.

Veteran students **may or may not be using veteran educational benefits at the institution**. Act 46 applies to **all military and veteran students** admitted to all forcredit courses and programs offered at the institution.

To Obtain Priority Registration

If you *will not be using veteran educational benefits* while attending Pitt-Greensburg, but are eligible for Military & Veteran Priority Enrollment, please see the registration steps below.

- Fill out a Military & Veteran Priority Enrollment Request form and submit online.
- Bring the appropriate documentation (as listed below) to the MVS office on your Campus.

To verify their eligibility for priority registration, students must provide one of the following documents:

- Active Duty Current Military ID (shown to an MVS facilitator on-site)*
- Veteran One of the following: Current Military ID | DD-214 Discharge Document (Member Copy 4) | or discharge papers from National Guard or Reserves

*Per Title 18, U.S. Code Part I, Chapter 33, Section 701, it is illegal to copy military identification cards

Course Scheduling Preference

Priority enrollment for veterans begins at 8:30 a.m., the Friday before the published Monday enrollment period and are assigned in order, according to credits completed. Veteran students who have completed the highest number of credits are given the earliest enrollment appointments, while those who have completed the lowest number of credits are given the latest enrollment appointments.

Enrollment appointment dates and times can be found in each student's PeopleSoft Student Center.

For questions or to update your veteran status at the University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg, please contact Lisa Reffner, School Certifying Official | Office of the Registrar | 724-836-7188 | <u>GBGvets@pitt.edu</u>

Act 46 of 2014 requires public institutions of higher education in Pennsylvania to provide veteran students, as defined in the Act, with preference in course scheduling. Non-compliance may be reported to the Pennsylvania Department of Education by submitting the Higher Education Student Complaint form found at www.education.state.pa.us.