

VETERANS ADVOCACY COMMITTEE (VAC)

Purpose:

Provides a collaborative platform from which to review the unique and varied needs of veterans and explore how NKU can become a more veteran-friendly campus with a support network in place to meet the needs of veterans.

Charge:

The Veteran's Advocacy Committee (VAC) serves the unique needs of student veterans, military service members, dependents, ROTC cadets, and family members of veterans by:

- Developing and implementing action-oriented initiatives pertinent to veteran student success;
- Working to create campus awareness of issues faced by veterans;
- Facilitating dialogue in campus community that directly affects the academic success and well-being of student veterans and families; and
- Partner with campus and community partners that can assist veterans.

Membership Guidelines:

The Veterans Advisory Committee (VAC) consists of a multi-disciplinary group that serves the needs of the student-veteran/dependents, military service members/dependents, and ROTC candidates/dependents populations.

Membership Appointment:

Members are appointed by the Director of the Veterans' Resource Station (VRS) with consultation from the Assistant Vice President for Enrollment & Student Success.

Membership Terms: Ongoing

Frequency of Meetings: Semi-annually

Expected Lifespan: Ongoing

Reporting Requirements:

The VAC reports to the Assistant Vice President for Enrollment & Student Success with consultation from the Vice President for Enrollment and Degree Management.

Operating Procedures:

In its former state, the VAC primarily served as an information sharing and discussion-based collaborative. The VAC is transitioning to a more action-oriented

committee that will introduce topics and concerns pertinent to the success of student veterans and dependents and develop strategies to address these areas.

Relationship to Other Committees: Veterans Resource Station

Typical Date of Membership Turnover: Atypical; depends on teaching and workload

Responsible Office: Veterans Resource Station

Administrative Contact Name & Position:

Dr. Ryan Padgett, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment & Student Success

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Membership Roster (2019-20)

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