



Veteran Student Newsletter



New CSI Certifying Official Office Hours

Tara Nunnelley, CSI's veterans School Certifying Official, has set aside specific office hours to meet with veterans. They are **Monday through Friday from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm**. If the student has a conflict with these office hours, they can email Tara at tnunnelley@csi.edu to schedule an appointment. Tara's office is located in the Admissions and Records Office which is in the Matrix area of the Taylor Building. To meet with Tara during her office hours simply check in with one of the staff members at the Admissions and Records Office front desk.

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CSI Veterans' Scholarship

The CSI Foundation is sponsoring the CSI Veterans' Scholarship for the sixth year in a row. Three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded for the 2014-2015 school year. Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Must have served in a branch of the United States armed services or the Idaho National Guard and have been honorably discharged on or after January 1, 2009.
- Must have a minimum cumulative high school grade point average (GPA) of a 3.0; or have completed at least 12 college credits with a minimum cumulative college GPA of 3.0; or a composite COMPASS score of 195 (reading/writing/algebra) if GED/HSE graduate.
- Must be a full-time student (12 or more credits).

The application is available at the CSI Veterans Services webpage (<http://www.csi.edu/veteransServices>). The application is due by August 1st, 2014. If you have any questions about the Veterans' Scholarship, please contact Scott Lindquist (732-6252 slindquist@csi.edu).

Scott Lindquist
Student Advisor



The CSI Veteran Services Committee Seeks a Student Representative

The CSI Veterans Committee is looking for a veteran student to volunteer on the committee. The committee tries to find ways to improve upon the services provided to veterans and promote awareness of veteran issues on campus. The committee meets the first Thursday of the month at 2:00 pm during the both the fall and spring semester. The committee feels that it is important to have input from students how CSI can improve on services provided to veterans on campus. If you are interested in serving on the CSI Veteran Services Committee please contact Scott Lindquist (208-732-6252 slindquist@csi.edu).

Scott Lindquist
Student Advisor

Counseling Services are available on walk in and appointment basis.
<http://careers.csi.edu/>

Monday - Friday
8am to 5pm



A Letter from your School Certifying Official

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veteransServices/](http://www.csi.edu/veteransServices/)

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Welcome to spring 2014!

I hope that this letter finds you well. A few reminders as we get into the spring semester. For students receiving Chapter 30, 1606, 1607, and VRAP, make sure that you are verifying your attendance at the end of each month. The VA will not issue a payment until attendance verification has been done. This can be done over the phone at 877-823-2378, or online at <https://www.gibill.va.gov/wave/>.

For those of you who are returning this semester, you may have noticed that I have made some changes to certification. For example, the new CSI VA certification form looks a little different. I have taken out the box to write your courses in. Since the VA will only accept courses that go towards your degree/program, I will only certify the courses that are *required* for your degree/program. Remember this form *must* be filled out each semester in order to continue utilizing your VA Education Benefits. To ensure payments are processed in a timely fashion, make certain you have met with your advisor and registered in the right courses for your major.

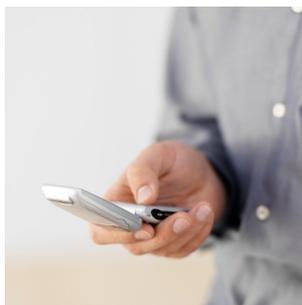
If you find that you are struggling with your course work, there is help available. Stop in to see me during my office hours M-F 1-5pm so we can talk about resources available on campus to help you be successful.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I hope everyone has a great semester and thank you for your service.

Tara Nunnelley
Student Services Specialist
School Certifying Official

Suicide Prevention Hotline

The Department of Veterans Affairs has created a national suicide prevention hotline to help veterans and their families. Veterans and/or their loved ones can call **1-800-273-8255** and **Press 1** or chat online at www.VeteransCrisisLine.net to receive free, confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, from a trained counselor.



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