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Student Veterans Association Convention (NatCon):

The largest gathering of student veterans and military affiliated individuals anywhere in the world. NatCon serves as a focus point in the academic year to share ideas, best practices, and network with student veterans, military-connected students, their families, supporters, and allies, as well as corporate, government, non-profit partners, and more! The theme this year is "On the Shoulders of Giants" as we look at where we started and plan for a legacy like none other. FSU is raising funds to send 6 individuals to this conference in hopes to build and retain skills, leadership, and opportunities for the future. Currently, we are raising a total of \$8,000 towards this trip and have already secured \$1,840. If you would like to donate, the link is provided on page 4.

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Welcome to the FSU's Veterans Center

Frostburg State University proudly welcomes members of the United States Military and their dependents to our campus community. We've made it part of our mission to ensure that you receive the benefits you've earned and the resources you need to make a smooth transition to civilian student life. We are focused on providing you with information that will assist you in navigating FSU and transitioning from military life to the civilian student.

You'll find tools here and across campus to help you navigate FSU and stay on top of paperwork, plus information on special events, ceremonies, and services we offer to show our appreciation for your time and sacrifice. We are proud to assist you in applying for and utilizing <u>military educational benefits</u>.

We look forward to the invaluable contributions your presence will make on campus, in classrooms and in our community!



In the face of impossible odds, people who love this country, can change it. -Barack Obama

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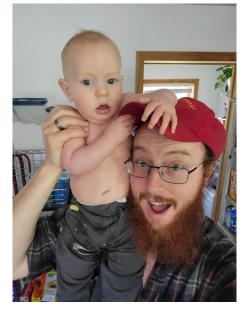


Let's meet the Staff

Clarissa A. Lang, MBA, is the Director of Veteran Services at Frostburg State University. She has over 10 years of experience in higher education serving in the capacity of leadership and experiential learning, career and professional development, civic engagement, and currently veterans. She

also teaches Introduction to Higher Education to first year students and leadership studies classes at Frostburg State University. Frostburg State University is a higher education institution that provides the following programs: certificates, bachelor, master, and doctorate degrees.





Samuel Dolly

Sam spent 5 years in the Marine Corps as a Fixed Wing Aircraft Mechanic. He took part in two UDP's and multiple unit detachments. Sam was honorably discharged and is currently on his third year at FSU as a Music Studies

major with a concentration on music composition.

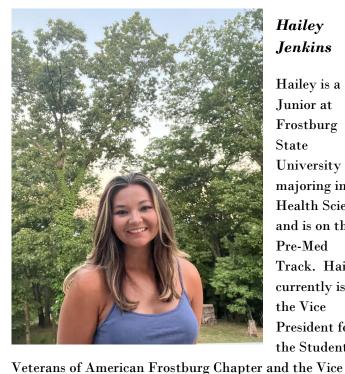
Let's Meet the Student Workers



Jarrett **Pennington**

Jarrett is currently a sophomore majoring in Mechanical Engineering at Frostburg State University. Jarrett is involved in two on-campus organizations including Student

Veterans of America Frostburg Chapter (President) and the National Society of Leadership and Success (Member). Jarrett is a work study student and using military dependent benefits.



President of the National Society of Leadership and

Success.

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Hailey Jenkins

Hailey is a Junior at Frostburg State University majoring in Health Science and is on the Pre-Med Track. Hailey currently is the Vice President for the Student



Daniel Records

Dan is a Sergeant in the Marines Corps Reserves, where he serves as a radio technician. He is in his 4th year at FSU and is studying Materials Engineering. While studying at FSU, he has been a member of the SVA. Dan grew up in Cumberland and

was sixth out of seven children of Mike and Sue Records. He and his wife Natalie are parents of two dogs, a cat, a turtle, and a snake.

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Emily Sanford

Emily is a United States Navy Veteran who after 22 years of faithful and honorable service retired as a Yeoman Chief Petty Officer, Expeditionary Warfare. She is currently perusing her Master of Science degree in Counseling Psychology and earned her Bachelor of Science in Psychology with a

Child and Family emphasis from Frostburg State University. Emily is from Hockessin, DE and currently resides in Keyser WV.

The Student Veterans Association Convention continued...

Donations will help send several FSU veterans and military-connected students to the National Conference in January 2023, so please do not forget to contribute. The link to donate is provided below:

www.frostburg.edu/GiveSVA

Thank you to the Grantsville Sons of the American Legion for supporting the FSU Veterans Center students in attending the Student Veterans of America National Conference.

Vet Dog Fundraiser

Come join us at the Frostburg Armory on November 11th at 6pm for our 5th annual JTF Veterans Day Dodgeball Tournament. If you would like to join with a team, there must be 6-10 players per team, all players must be 18 years or older, and its \$60 per team to join. There will be cash prizes and it'll be an evening full of fun and excitement.



Christmas Care Package

16th Airlift Squadron located in Charleston South Carolina currently houses one of our own, Brianna

Ralston, daughter of Captain Ralston with University Police. This year, we decided to create care packages for this specific unit as they were in a direct hit from the Hurricane and could use a little extra love. We will be collecting new items (no used items) for these care packages from November 1st until December 10th. For more information, please contact the Veterans Center at 301.687.4409 or email <u>vets@frostburg.edu</u>.



