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Content, Community, and Coaching: The
Role On-Campus Resources Play in
Maximizing Student Veteran Networks

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Abstract:

Engagement on a university campus is one of the top indicators of academic and professional success for college students. Campuses all across the country offer a myriad of untapped resources and opportunities for students to grow their personal and professional networks. Our panel has over 75 years of combined military service, along with decades of experience as college students, university administrators, and counselors for veterans and military students in all stages of their academic careers. In this session, we will introduce some of the struggles students face connecting on a university campus. Our panel will present different ways student veterans can engage with different resources, advocate for added resources on their home campus, and how to help incoming students connect to the campus and the community.

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Presentation of the Framework

1. Inventory the resources that are currently in existence on your campus
 2. Find those “pockets of excellence”
 3. Don’t be afraid to connect with other Universities or advocates
 4. Leverage best practices
 5. Understand that this is not a “one size fits all” model
 6. Finances is secondary. Primary focus is finding those people who genuinely care and are willing to put in the effort.
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