

Fullerton College

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## FULLERTON COLLEGE HOSTS INAUGURAL VETERANS CAREER AND RESOURCE FAIR

FULLERTON (March 27, 2015) – Fullerton College's Veterans Resource Center will host its inaugural Veterans Career and Resource Fair on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the campus quad. Nearly 50 organizations will be present to connect veterans and dependents of veterans to services offered within the surrounding community and the college. The free event is open to all veterans and is not limited to students.

Participating groups include U.S. Foods, OC OneStop Center, CalVets, and the Wounded Warrior Project. Additionally, numerous Fullerton College departments will host information tables to offer on-campus support and resources available to all students.

Aghabi Khalil, project coordinator at the Veterans Resource Center, created this event in response to her own experience enrolling in college following her service in the Navy. After her honorable discharge, she encountered many obstacles in her reintegration process.

"I know from my first-hand experience how difficult it can be to find all the services available," Khalil said. "This event will pull together all the key services the college has to offer, plus community organizations dedicated to helping veterans be successful."

More than 800 veterans and dependents of veterans attend Fullerton College with the number growing each semester. Fullerton College's Veterans Resource Center, located in Building 500, Room 518, acts as an on-campus resource providing workshops and events for student veterans year-round. The center provides a study lounge, two part-time academic counselors for Student Educational Plans (SEPS), a fulltime certifying official, a mental health counselor courtesy of U.S. VETS, Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment counselors from Veterans Affairs, and staff who are knowledgeable about GI Bill benefits.

The Veterans Resource Center is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. to noon. Hours may vary depending on the needs of students. For more information, please e-mail: veterans@fullcoll.edu or call (714) 992-7102.