

**AWARDING CREDIT FOR PRIOR MILITARY EXPERIENCE**

**References:**     *Education Code Section 66025.7; AB 2462*

Pursuant to AB 2462 (Block, 2012), students will receive credit for prior military experiences that are deemed equivalent to Southwestern College coursework. Students may receive up to 30 units of credit that may be used to satisfy general education, core program, or elective requirements, typically for an associate's degree and typically for elective credit. No more than nine units may be used for elective credit unless approved by the Dean for the School of Counseling and Student Support Programs in consultation with faculty. Students intending to transfer to a four-year institution should consult with the individual college or university regarding its military credit policy.

Awarding credit for prior military experience will be based on a collaborative process between the Veterans Services Office, the Evaluations Office, and discipline faculty based on common course descriptors found in the Chancellor's Office for California Community Colleges Common Numbering System (C-ID) and pertinent recommendations of the American Council on Education in accordance with the associate/baccalaureate credit recommendations contained in *A Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services* published by the American Council on Education (ACE). Students must submit required documentation of educational experiences to receive credit.