Fact Sheet

Most veterans enrolled as students in NSHE are faring well but a substantial minority are struggling, and might benefit from some assistance.

- 60% of NSHE student veterans feel like they do not fit in on campus. To address this, we recommend that NSHE institutions:
  - Offer new student orientation sessions specifically for student veterans
  - Offer mentoring programs for new student veterans
  - Support student veterans organizations
  - Provide physical spaces on campus dedicated to student veterans

- 36% of NSHE student veterans have felt unfairly judged in the classroom. To address this, we recommend that NSHE institutions:
  - Develop a faculty/staff awareness programs
  - Develop a cadre of “veteran friendly” faculty
  - Offer campus events of interest to veteran and civilian communities

- 19% of student veterans have post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and over 1/3 are still suffering from physical injuries sustained while in service. To address this, we recommend that NSHE institutions:
  - Assist student veterans in registering with their local VA health systems
  - Provide staff in campus student counseling and health centers who are trained to treat veterans’ health issues
  - Train faculty and staff to identify when student veterans have unmet health care needs and where to refer them for assistance

Colleges and universities throughout Nevada are likely to witness increasing numbers of US military veterans joining their student bodies. Continuing efforts to meet student veterans’ needs will increase their chances of succeeding in college and beyond.