



## **MEMORANDUM**

Date:

August 12, 2015

To:

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From:

Steven R. Lerman

Provost

Re:

Students in the military reserves and student veterans of the military

With the University's commitment to our student military members, veterans, and their families, enrollment by these populations, at both the undergraduate and graduate level, has risen in the past few years. Efforts led by Vice Admiral (ret.) Mel Williams and the GW VALOR initiative will very likely further increase enrollment by these groups. The GW VALOR program comprises a range of initiatives designed to expand academic options available at GW to military members, veterans, and their dependents. This diverse group of students provides a unique and important perspective that enhances the GW learning and living community.

I ask that faculty members be cognizant of the needs of students who are veterans and reservists. These students may need additional time to complete assignments and/or require alternate exam dates should they be called away for a period of training or service. I am confident you will use your best judgement in making these accommodations.

Deans and department chairs are asked to see that this information reaches all faculty members, including part-time faculty, visiting, and research faculty. Please direct any questions to the Office of Military and Veteran Student Services at 202.994.9570.

Thank you for cooperation and support.