

Veterans and Military Friendly Schools Profile Page

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Description (1 paragraph 3-5 sentences): Erie Community College is a public community college within the SUNY System that offers both credit and non-credit courses at three convenient campus locations in Western New York (Downtown Buffalo, Williamsville, and Orchard Park). With the option of choosing one of ninety-nine degree or certificate programs available during the day, evening, weekend or online, ECC provides educational opportunities for a diverse population, including traditional students, single parents, adult learners, disabled students, and veterans. To address the specific needs of veterans and their family members, ECC provides ongoing training to faculty and staff to ease the transition from the military to academia, has a dedicated office on each campus for certifying veterans educational benefits, accepts military transfer credit, has an active tri-campus veterans club, and provides numerous supportive services including academic tutors at no cost. ECC's One Stop serves veterans who are seeking employment by providing career counseling and preparation workshops, help with resume writing and job searching, and computer classes. Because of its convenient locations, low tuition rates, variety of educational programs, small class sizes and supportive services, ECC is the first choice among veterans in Western New York.

Student Veterans of America Chapter (y/n): to be established for 2011-12

Recognition: *Military Advanced Education's* Top Military-Friendly College 2010-11 and

Erie County Veterans Service Agency Veteran Friendly Educational Institution

Scholarships:

Anthony J. Wittman Memorial Scholarship - \$500 Daniel C. & Doris Penfold Scholarship - \$400 George P. Lamm American Auxiliary Post #622 Veterans Scholarship - \$500 Gwen Whitmore Memorial Scholarship - \$500 *New for 2011:* 3 Students Supporting Students Scholarships (one for each campus) - \$1,000

Yellow Ribbon participant: No

VA Work-Study Program: No

Additional Information: