



## Veterans: Are you interested in a Bachelor of Science in Nursing?



Excelsior College has been awarded a three-year grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to assist qualified military veterans in earning a bachelor's degree in nursing.

The Veteran's Bachelors in Nursing (VBSN) project is designed specifically for veterans, current reservists, and National Guard members who are an Associate Degree Registered Nurse (RN).

The VBSN students will benefit from proactive and comprehensive academic advisement by those that specialize in veteran services. From maximizing their VA benefits to choosing classes, these hand selected advisors have experience with the unique needs of veterans.

A course now being offered as part of the nursing curriculum is called *Caring for our Nation's Heroes and their families*. In addition, the VBSN curriculum is in the process of enhancing course content to increase awareness among both students and faculty of the unique health care needs of military personnel, veterans, and their families.

Those enrolled in the VBSN program will also benefit from a veteran to veteran mentor. Mentorship is provided by a faculty nurse who is also a military veteran. This faculty mentor will be able to relate to the multi-level challenges that veterans and active military face while advancing their college degrees.

VBSN graduates will benefit from more employment opportunities and increase their earning potential. The ultimate goal of this project is to support veterans in their goal of completing their bachelor's degree.

As a veteran, if you would like more information on the opportunities available to help you earn an RN to BS in nursing contact the Center for Military Education at 888-647-2388, ext. 135-1 or email [veterans@excelsior.edu](mailto:veterans@excelsior.edu). You can also see more information at: <http://www.excelsior.edu/programs/nursing/bachelors/vbsn-supporting-veterans-pursuing-your-rn-to-bs-in-nursing>