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GWU Named a Top School in Military Advanced Education & Transition's 2016 Guide to Colleges & Universities

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – Gardner-Webb University is committed to helping members of the military and their dependents achieve their educational goals. Those efforts were recently recognized for the third year in a row by *Military Advanced Education & Transition (MAE&T)* as the University was designated as a “Top School” in the 2016 *MAE&T* Guide to Colleges & Universities research study. The guide measures the best practices in military and veteran education.

David Hawsey, GWU Vice President for Enrollment Management & Marketing, said there are typically around 100 students with ties to the military who attend the University. “We offer personalized services, including admission, academic credit and military experience credit evaluation, financial planning, personal counseling, and many other services geared to active duty, veterans and their families,” Hawsey shared. “Our offices are staffed with certified officials and include veterans who have ‘been there’ and understand the needs of transitioning service members and their families.”

Hawsey believes the recognition offers an important reminder about ways institutions can serve those who first served our country. “Gardner-Webb is also recognized by G.I. Jobs for policies, practices and customer service that keeps in mind the special needs and situations of active duty military personnel, veterans and their families,” he reflected. “In addition, we are recognized as North Carolina’s first university to be honored with the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and also as a member of ConApp, a concurrent admission and military enlistment program that guarantees a spot in our student body for active duty personnel once they serve their obligation to our country.”

The *MAE&T* Guide presents results of a questionnaire of the military-supportive policies enacted at more than 600 institutions including private, public, for-profit, not-for-profit, four-year, and two-year colleges. From community colleges to state universities, online universities and nationally known centers for higher education, *MAE&T*'s 2016 Guide to Colleges & Universities offers information about institutions that go out of their way to give back to our men and women in uniform.

Military Advanced Education & Transition is a magazine produced specifically for service members seeking to take advantage of the military education benefit. MAE&T covers issues and trends in distance learning and education as they specifically relate to military life, including innovative programs, military educational policy, financial aid and courses that offer special opportunities for military personnel.

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University blends a liberal arts core curriculum with more than 60 major and minor professional programs of study, a comprehensive academic experience that flows from our Christian commitment to intellectual freedom, service and leadership.