

# Veterans' Upward Bound (VUB)

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Enroll at [www.vubmt.com](http://www.vubmt.com) —> Apply Now Tab (all services).

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—> Student Forms Tab (workshop registration)

## **Academic & Support Services: *Always available***

- ★ **College Transition Assistance:** *These services are provided on an individual basis. Instruction and assistance are provided in the steps necessary to enroll in college.*
  - Applying for college admissions (meeting admission requirements, gathering required documentation, registering for classes, making sense of degree requirements, role of VA SCO)
  - Advocacy in response to legal and/or academic history leading to ineligibility for admissions or financial aid, advocacy for accommodation due to disability
  - Assistance with understanding and starting GI Bill education benefits
  - Assistance with understanding and applying for federal financial aid
  - Degree and career exploration
  - Pre- and post-enrollment individualized academic advising
  - Individualized introduction to online learning platforms used by colleges (Moodle, D2L)
  - Referral to campus support offices: Student Support Services, New Student Services, Academic Support Center, Disability Support Services, School Certifying Official & Veterans' Services Office
  
- ★ **Testing & Test Prep Options:**

Including but not limited to:

  - Accuplacer (prep & test)
  - ASVAB (prep only)
  - Career Scope (test only)
  - General math assessment (prep & test)
  - General writing assessment (prep & test)
  - TABE (prep & test)
  
- ★ **Online self-paced instruction with individualized faculty/tutoring support:** *VUB uses Edmentum to provide a broad range of rigorous and engaging self-paced online courses. Content can be customized to meet individual needs. All online courses have tech support and faculty attached to monitor progress and tutor as needed.*
  - All levels of math
  - Writing & reading
  - Lab sciences
  
- ★ **Online computer literacy classes with individualized faculty/tutoring/tech support:** *VUB uses GFCGlobal and Microsoft's tutorials to bridge the gap in computer skills. Sort, focused workshops are added to target specific skills needed for collaborative work (Google Docs, Google Meet), for file storage and retrieval (Google Drive), for organization (Google Calendar, Alexa Echo Dot, Google Home Mini), and for personal enjoyment (Fire Tablet).*

- ✦ **Individualized tutoring** – VUB works to find tutors as needed for enrolled participants, including those enrolled in college or another training program. Requests for a tutor should go to Lori Borth, [lborth@vubmt.com](mailto:lborth@vubmt.com) 406-657-2026.
- ✦ **Other Support:**
  - Technology loaner program (laptops, microphones)
  - Referral to community resources

### **Regularly Scheduled Services: *Not always available***

#### ***In-class, on-campus college preparatory instruction: 6-weeks of class, regularly scheduled Fall (Oct-Nov) & Spring (Mar-Apr) & 3-day Academic Bridges (January/May/August)***

- ✦ College Transition Assistance Program (CTAP) – on-campus & live online
  - On-campus in Billings @ MSU Billings & delivered live online via Google Meet
  - Instruction offered in Algebra/Math, Writing, Reading, Computers, Science, Foreign Language, College Success Strategies & Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University
  - All materials provided
  - Tutoring available
- ✦ Cohort Program – on-campus, Missoula streams live online
  - Instruction offered in Math/Algebra, Writing & Computers
  - All materials provided
  - Tutoring available
  - On-campus in these locations:
    - Hamilton @ Bitterroot College of UM
    - Kalispell @ Flathead Valley Community College
    - Libby @ Lincoln County Campus of FVCC
    - Missoula @ Missoula College of UM
  - Not yet available on campus:
    - Butte @ Highlands College of Montana Tech of UM
    - Great Falls @ Great Falls College MSU
    - Helena @ Helena College
- ✦ Academic Bridge (3 days) – January/May/August
  - Hands on introduction to useful tools, required skills and remote learning. Designed for adult learners to increase confidence in their ability to navigate a new learning environment .

#### ***Workshops –***

- VUB provides regular short, focused workshops targeting specific skills or introducing new tools. A schedule is available upon request or can be found on our webpage at [www.vubmt.com](http://www.vubmt.com). Minimum enrollment of 5 required per workshop.

#### ***Social/cultural events –***

- VUB hosts events for participants to make it easier for veterans to connect with other veterans and to develop supportive peer relationships. Events are shared with enrolled veterans as they are scheduled.