

Veterans Upward Bound

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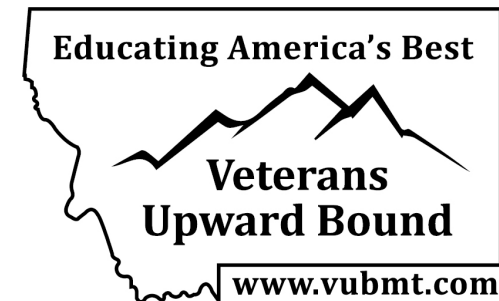
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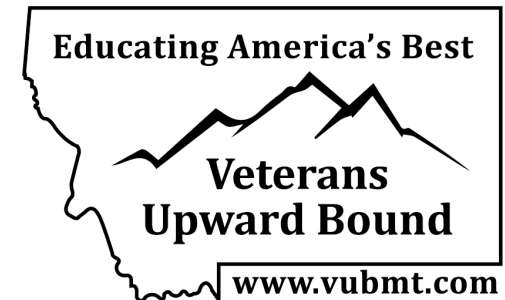
This TRIO program supports veterans who would like to enroll in some type of college or training program.

College includes certificate or apprenticeship programs, trade school or 2-year programs, and 4-year programs. The program helps veterans develop the tools they need to be successful.



Benefits of Participating in VUB

Veterans Upward Bound helps veterans plan and prepare for college. Through instruction, tutoring and advising, VUB helps veterans gain the skills they need to be successful in college and in life. In addition to academic support in math and writing, veterans gain important skills that will help them throughout their lives (e.g., time management, organization, networking).



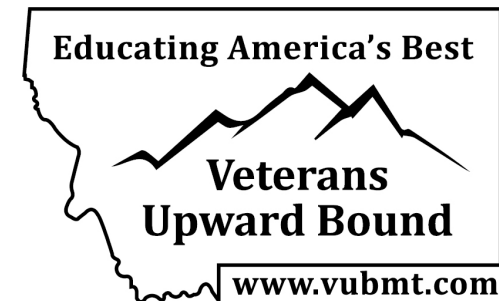
How do veterans get connected with VUB?

Participants of the Veterans Upward Bound program must complete our registration form prior to the start of classes or events. Registration is processed from our Billings office and can be done accessed by going to **vubmt.com**.

Questions about VUB services or our registration process can be answered by calling, emailing or asking a question over our website chat service.

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Email: info@vubmt.com

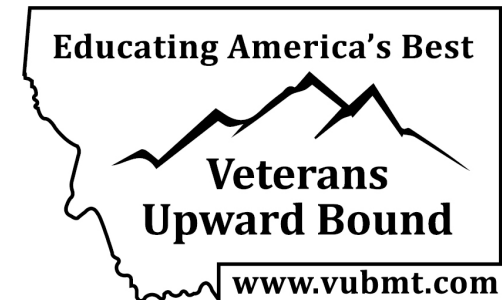


College Readiness Assessment

TABE Assessment: TABE measures an individual's general level of math, writing and spelling. This tool measures academic strengths and weaknesses based on 1st grade to 12th grade levels.

EdReady Assessment: Most Montana campuses use EdReady to evaluate an individual's level of math and writing. Like the Accuplacer, a student's score will be used to place them in the appropriate math and writing college courses.

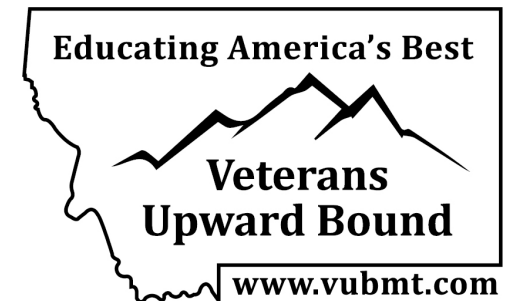
Career Assessment Inventory Diagnostics: The CAI Diagnostics will suggest possible careers that an individual may be successful in based on short questions that inquire what the individual enjoys doing.



Computer Laptop Program

Veterans Upward Bound recognizes that not everyone has access to a reliable computer. This may be due to a limited budget, an older computer system that is no longer reliable, or an unforeseen event.

What started out as a loaner program, has now shifted to a computer gifting program. Veterans can request a computer by completing a VUB application. These units are gently used and have been factory reset and work as if opened brand-new out of the box.



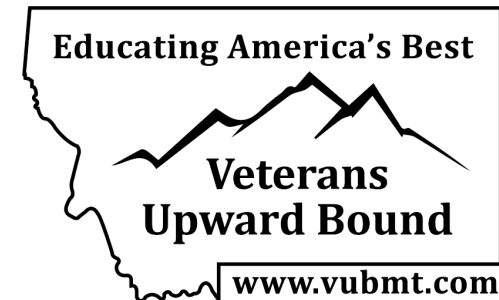
In-Person Classes

Veterans Upward Bound provides 4-week instruction aimed at assisting veterans who need a brush-up before starting a post secondary education program. Computers, math and writing are available at all sites.

We have programs established in the following communities: Billings, Great Falls, Hamilton, Havre, Kalispell and Missoula. Class sessions are offered during the fall, winter, spring and summer.

VUB provides a 2-week Academic Bridge aimed at helping students starting a post secondary program just before the fall and spring semesters. Math, writing, and college planning are offered.

Note: *In addition to computers, math and writing, our Billings and day-online sites also offer an academic success class, foreign language and science classes.*



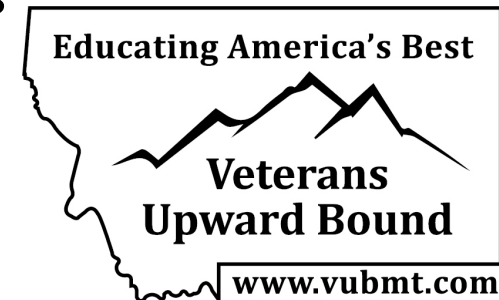
Live Online Classes

Veterans Upward Bound recognizes that participants wear many hats. Family, work schedules and other commitments may hamper the ability for some to attend in-person classes. As a result, we have built an online learning program that will enable students participating in our classes as well as prepare them to successfully enroll and participate in a college level online course.

VUB uses the Moodle platform that is widely used at Montana campuses and beyond. Courses are live-streamed and recorded for students to review later. Separate day and evening classes are available.

Note: *All Billings and Missoula classes are streamed, enabling students at other locations to participate online.*

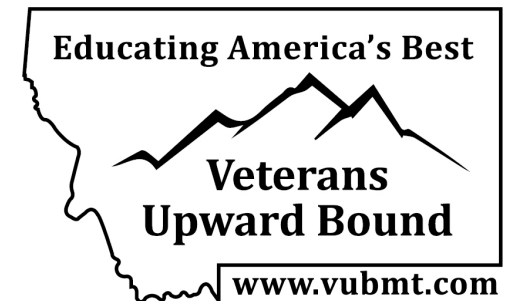
Example college success, foreign language and science.



Online Self-Paced Tutorials with Tutoring Support

Veterans Upward Bound provides individuals the opportunity to take classes at their own schedule and pace. We use a third-party service to provide tutorial-based instruction.

EdReady allows students to login to a web-based system and complete math and writing lessons at their own pace. If a student needs additional assistance, tutors are available to guide them through the lessons. Tutors have access to the students' progress in EdReady.

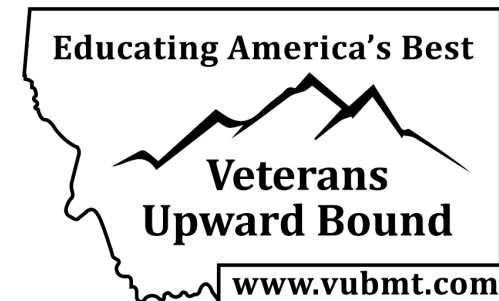


Individualized College Transition Assistance

Transition assistance is available for veterans that are preparing to start college or another training program. VUB staff is available to assist veterans for the following services and more.

- Requesting transcripts
- Applying for college admissions
- Academic advising
- Applying for Federal Financial Aid
- Applying for GI Bill education benefits
- Arranging campus tours
- Connecting to college resources

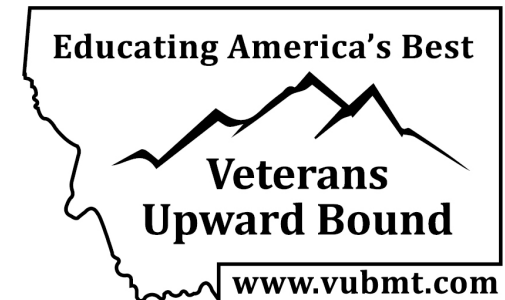
VUB is available for in-person or virtual transition assistance.



Tutoring Support

Students enrolled in a college, or a training program often need additional support. Veterans Upward Bound can assist veterans with finding support services located on campus. In the event the campus services are unable to provide help, VUB will locate a tutor to support the veteran through the class.

Note: *VUB will provide any support materials needed to help the veteran succeed in the class.*

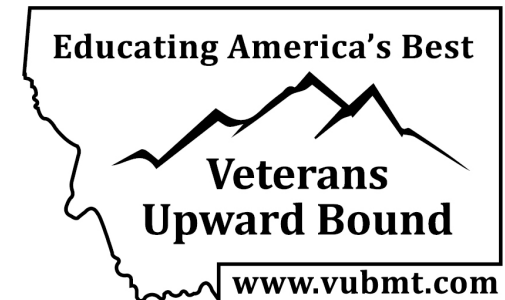


Workshops

Occasionally Veterans Upward Bound will schedule short term workshops that are topic-focused. These workshops provide an academic review and assist in the development of skills necessary in any learning environment.

- What's new with Windows 11
- Building a Raspberry Pi Computer
- Job searching, Resume writing, and Interviewing
- Life in the Wildlands Federal Outdoor Careers

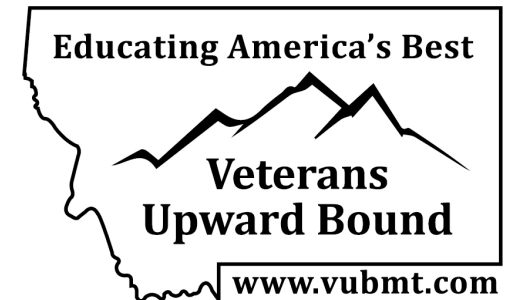
Visit our website for more workshops!



Social & Cultural Activities

Outside of academics, we feel it is equally important for veterans to socialize and take a break from work/school. Veterans Upward Bound schedules social/cultural activities and other events throughout the year.

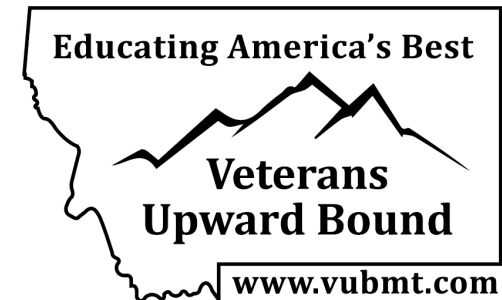
In addition to our yearly scheduled events, we also sponsor group activities and events. If you would like to provide an activity for your veteran group, we would like to help! Contact our office for information.



VUB Summer Tech Tools

VUB has selected our favorite tech tools to share. We will send you the device of your choice at no cost. One-on-one assistance is available to learn how to set up and use these tools to get more organized if desired.

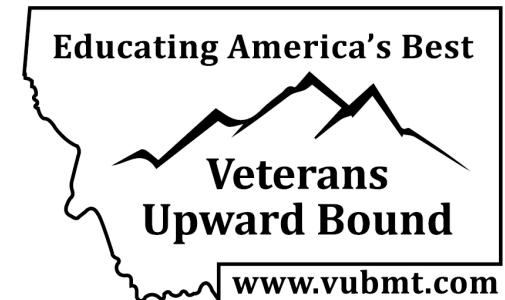
- Amazon Alexa Echo Dot
- Alexa Fire Tablet
- Google Home Mini
- Rocketbook Smart Notebook
- Mobile Power Bank
- Lenovo Android Tablet



VA Work-study Opportunity in Billings

Veterans attending college or other training programs using GI Bill Education benefits are eligible to participate in a VA work-study program at our Billings office.

In many cases, this opportunity provides veterans the ability to work, study and receive additional educational support from our faculty.



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