Veterans Week 2019 - November 5-12, 2019 (On Behalf of Coby Dillard, Coordinator, Veterans and Military Services)

To: Campus Community

Fr: Coby Dillard, Coordinator
Veterans and Military Services

Re: Veterans Week 2019 – November 5-12, 2019

Veterans Day is a time for the campus to acknowledge the service of the 124 student veterans who currently attend UCSB, and the hundreds more that came before them. Veterans and Military Services (VMS) will observe Veterans Week with multiple events designed to encourage conversation and community with UCSB’s student veteran population. This year’s Veterans Week programming calls the campus to make a greater effort to understand the experiences of the student veteran, removed from political discussions regarding the nature of their service.

Veterans Week events include:

- **November 5, 2019:** Military Networking Lunch sponsored by Human Resources, Veterans and Military Services, in partnership with the Equal Opportunity & Discrimination Prevention Office and Santa Barbara County Veterans Services. Open to military-related students, faculty and staff; RSVP at [https://ucsbmilitarynetworking.eventbrite.com](https://ucsbmilitarynetworking.eventbrite.com).

- **November 6, 2019:** “Lunch with a Vet” student panel featuring UCSB student veterans and moderated by Dr. Stacie Furia. 11:00 am-1:00 pm in the Student Resource Building; open to all students, faculty and staff.

- **November 11, 2019:** Santa Barbara Veterans Day Ceremony. 11:00 am at the Santa Barbara Cemetery; open to the public.

- **November 12, 2019:** Veterans Resource Center Re-Opening Reception. Closed event; invitation only.

- **November 12, 2019:** *Surviving Home* film screening and panel discussion co-presented by Veterans and Military Services, the IHC’s Critical Mass series, UCSB Multicultural Center, and the Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity. 7:00-9:00 pm at the MCC Theater; open to the public.

Faculty are encouraged to create space for students to attend these events, and to promote discussion on the diversity added to our campus by student veterans and other military-related students. In addition, the VMS office will have space for the campus community to leave notes of gratitude for our student veteran population.

Please contact VMS at veteransmilitaryservices@sa.ucsb.edu for more information on Veterans Week and supporting military-related students at UCSB.