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ENTREPRENEURSHIP BOOTCAMP FOR VETERANS WITH DISABILITIES

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities (EBV) is a novel, one-of-a-kind initiative designed to leverage the skills, resources and infrastructure of higher education to offer cutting-edge, experiential training in entrepreneurship and small business management to post-9/11 veterans with service-connected disabilities and a passion for entrepreneurship. The aim of the program is to open the door to economic opportunity for our veterans by developing their competencies in creating and sustaining an entrepreneurial venture.



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TURNING WARRIORS INTO ENTREPRENEURS



TOPICS ADDRESSED

- ACCOUNTING
- BUSINESS PLANS
- ECONOMICS
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- FINANCING
- IDEA RECOGNITION
- LEGAL ISSUES
- OPERATIONS
- MARKETING
- PROFIT MODELS

PROGRAM METRICS & OUTCOMES

As of November 2015, just over 1,250 veterans with disabilities have completed the EBV program.

- 68% of graduates have launched a new venture
- 92% of graduates who have launched a new venture are still in business
- More than 1800 new jobs created

The EBV program has been widely recognized by external stakeholders as a best-in-class training experience:

- Featured on “60 Minutes” (2013)
- One of “10-Best” Entrepreneurship Training Programs in the U.S. by Inc. Magazine (2011)
- “National Best Practice” by the Secretary of the Army, Community Covenant Program (2010)
- McGraw-Hill “Innovation in Entrepreneurship Pedagogy” Award (2009)
- Major media outlet coverage, including USA Today, Forbes, Fortune, Inc. Magazine, Entrepreneur Magazine, American Legion Magazine, DAV Magazine, NPR and The New York Times



THE EBV PROGRAM REPRESENTS A 14-MONTH INTERVENTION, AND CONSISTS OF THREE PHASES OF TRAINING AND SUPPORT:



PHASE I

Is a 30-day instructor led, online course focused on basic skills of entrepreneurship and the language of business.



PHASE II

Is a nine-day residency at an EBV university where students are exposed to over 30 accomplished entrepreneurs and entrepreneurship educators from across the U.S. The residency includes more than 80 hours of instruction in the “nuts and bolts” of business ownership. The residency is intense, and designed to both educate and motivate.



PHASE III

Involves 12 months of support and mentorship delivered through the EBV Technical Assistance Program (EBV-TAP), a robust, comprehensive network of mentors and national partnerships.

ELIGIBILITY

Post-9/11 veterans with a service-connected disability and a passion for entrepreneurship.

COSTS & LOGISTICS

The program is offered entirely free to participants through the generous support of the EBV universities and the private giving of individuals and corporations. Expenses covered by the program include transportation, lodging, food and textbooks. In addition, the program does not require use of GI Bill or VOC-Rehab benefits.

APPLY

We operate on a rolling admissions basis; therefore early application is highly encouraged.

Apply online at: ebv.vets.syr.edu

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