



## A Military Friendly Campus

- Named a 2012 and 2013 **Military Friendly School** by *G.I. Jobs Magazine*, putting us in the **top 15 percent of schools** nationwide.
- **Honored by the Military Family Research Institute for the last 5 years** with grants to support veteran's activities.
- Over **400 veterans** and family on campus receiving veteran's benefits.
  - Ball State participates in the **Department of Veterans Affairs's Yellow Ribbon Program** offering financial aid above and beyond the Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits.
  - **One-on-one academic advising**/support for active military, veterans, and dependents.
  - Professional and faculty mentor-partners from eight key university offices have **committed to work individually with veterans** to help them achieve their goals.
  - Employ a **full-time, veterans benefits certifying official** in our office of veteran affairs.
- Ball State's **Student Veteran Orientation Program** has received state-wide kudos:
  - Pre-college information to help with transition
  - Welcome Week Orientation
  - Student Veteran Resource Center
  - Student Veteran Organization
- A robust **Student Veteran Organization** has been recognized as one of the best in the state:
  - Meets regularly to promote camaraderie; schedules events like Walking Wounded March for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, transition training, memorial ceremonies, etc.
- Host of a vibrant **Army ROTC Detachment** – Cardinal Battalion
  - Over 200 students from three campuses: Ball State University; Indiana Wesleyan University; and Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne
  - Commissioned over 50 Second Lieutenants in the last 3 years
  - Ball State's ROTC is a leadership-focused program