Carnegie Mellon University is designated a “military friendly” campus according to www.militaryfriendly.com. With over 200 CMU students, faculty and staff identifying themselves as veterans, members of the military community contribute to the vitality and hard-working spirit of our campus. For almost 30 years, CMU has hosted a successful Naval ROTC program, a part of the Steel City NROTC Unit. CMU’s renowned educational experience and its financial stability provide military veteran and ROTC students with the tools to solve complex problems and shape the world before, during, and after their military experience.

Veterans Education Benefits

2017-2018

VA Direct Funding

$1.37 million

Source: CMU ROTC & Veterans Affairs Coordinator

Veteran and military students utilize federal benefits, including Yellow Ribbon funding and fee remissions. In fall 2017, Carnegie Mellon had 84 Post-9/11 GI Bill beneficiaries, 50 of whom were veterans; and in spring 2018, CMU had 82 beneficiaries, 48 of whom were veterans. Carnegie Mellon is a Yellow Ribbon Program Participant.

Yellow Ribbon Funding

$528,640

Source: CMU ROTC & Veterans Affairs Coordinator

ROTC Students: Financial Aid

2017-2018

20 of 22 students received full NROTC scholarships

Source: CMU ROTC & Veterans Affairs Coordinator

Carnegie Mellon Naval ROTC (NROTC) students participate in the Steel City NROTC Unit, one of 63 units and consortiums at 77 schools across the United States. CMU students active in the Army or Air Force participate in a joint ROTC program through the University of Pittsburgh. Of the 22 ROTC students studying at Carnegie Mellon in 2017-2018, 20 received full tuition scholarships. Undergraduate NROTC scholarship recipients receive an institutional grant of $8,000 for room and board from Carnegie Mellon - this is in addition to the scholarship funds provided by the Navy.

Campus Services & Local Environment

Along with the many local veterans’ organizations around Pittsburgh, there are three student organizations on campus: the Heinz Veterans Association, the CMU Student Veterans and Family Association, and the Tepper School of Business Military Veterans Association. CMU is also one of 2,257 colleges and universities that participates in the “8 Keys to Veterans’ Success,” which is a voluntary initiative through the Departments of Education, Veterans Affairs and Defense. The program involves universities that have committed to supporting veterans as they pursue their educational and employment goals. A website dedicated to CMU’s veterans and military community is available at www.cmu.edu/veterans.

Sources: www.ed.gov/veterans-and-military-families/8-keys-success-site