Recognizing Veteran Students’ Re-Entry Issues and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

As financial aid offices and other campus offices engage returning veterans, they should be aware that the symptoms below might indicate re-entry issues.

- Loss of interest in activities or life in general
- Emotional numbness /detached
- Irritability/outbursts of anger
- Feelings of mistrust
- Feelings of alienation
- Easily startled
- Spacey stare
- Hypervigilance
- Headache
- Dizziness

Early diagnosis, prompt treatment, and strong social support are all important in the treatment for re-entry issues. Thank you for playing an important role in maintaining access for all—including our veterans.

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