



Veterans at Mid-Michigan Community College will have access to a new program launched by the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency and the Michigan College Access Network.

The program, known as the Michigan Veteran Education Initiative, places a veteran resource representative on college campuses throughout the state, to help provide one-on-one support and help with the transition from soldier to student.

There are 13 Veteran Resource Representatives that will be present on 15 college campuses in Michigan. Christopher Stanton will serve as the representative at Mid-Michigan Community College and Kirtland Community College.

"I have had the pleasure of working with our student veteran population when I was a part of Student Veterans of America at Central Michigan University," Stanton said. "My new role on campus as the veteran resource representative will allow me to help connect veterans and their families to any of the benefits they are entitled to receive."

Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency director Jeff Barnes said that about 40,000 veterans will leave service and head to Michigan in the next five years, and they'll look for education and job opportunities in the state.

"We want to attract and retain the military's top talent, and having (these representatives) available to these transitioning veterans sends the message that Michigan is committed to seeing veterans thrive as they pursue their dreams," Barnes said.

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