

Tips for Interacting with Veterans at the Career Fair

General Information:

Be sure to thank them for their service and for coming to the Career Fair today.

If you hear terms like "Roger", "Hooah" "Ooh Rah" it means "Yes" or "heard, understood and acknowledged".

Don't be offended if they call you "Sir" or "Ma'am" ☺ It is a term of respect in the military.

Suggestions for questions if you are pre-screening individuals:

- .) How long were you in the military?
- 2.) Are you still serving on active duty or in a reserve component?
- 3.) What was your military specialty?
- 4.) Were you ever deployed overseas?
- 5.) How many overseas deployments did you serve?
- 6.) How long have you been back?
- 7.) Is this your first career fair?

Questions to avoid: Avoid questions about direct combat experience, being injured or anything seen in combat; While we shouldn't have to mention this, Veterans are often asked these questions by well-meaning people. Also avoid asking any questions about how they feel about the war or any other political questions about the current state of operations overseas.