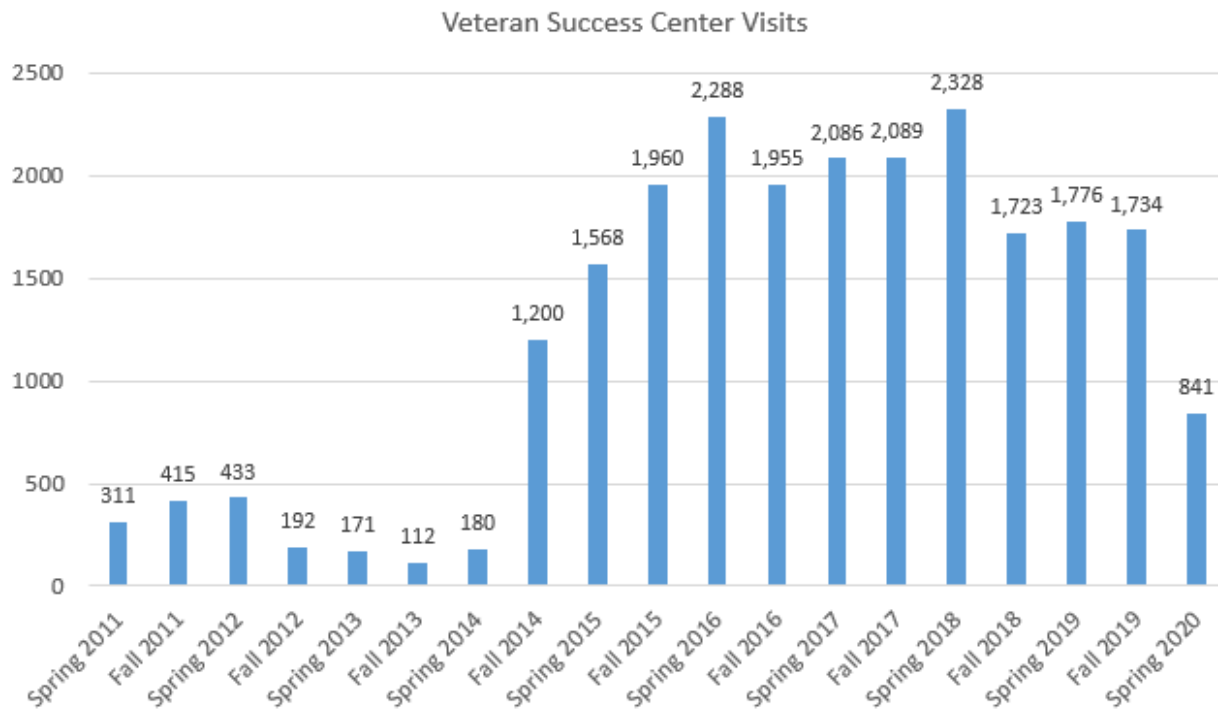**National, State, and Great Falls College Quick Stats:**

- United States Veteran population is approximately 7.1%[1]
- Montana's Veteran population is approximately 10.2%[1]
  - 17.1% of Cascade County population are veterans[1]
- Great Falls College MSU Veteran* population in the 2019-2020 academic year was approximately 21.5% of the entire student body.[2,3,4] The term *Veteran* in this report includes veterans, spouses, dependents, or active military.

Veteran Center Visits

- In Spring 2020, the Veteran Success Center received a total of 841 visits.
  - 809 of these visits were from students enrolled at GFC MSU during Spring 2020.
  - The GFC MSU campus was closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic which may account for fewer visits to the Veteran Success Center.

Veteran Success Center Visits

Retention Rates from Spring 2020 Veteran Center visitors to Fall 2020 (includes students who transferred) [3,4,5]

- Retention rate for non-veteran students- 75.1%
- Retention rate for veterans* who did not use the Veteran Center- 67.6%
- Retention rate for veterans* who used the Veteran Center- 84.8%

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Retention was defined as the proportion of students who either graduated GFC MSU in Spring or Summer 2020, were enrolled at GFC MSU during Fall 2020 as of census date, or had transferred to another college during Fall 2020 as of census date.

High School students were excluded from the retention rates.

Term Grade Point Average Stats for Spring 2020

- Non-veteran students– 2.99[3]
- Veterans <u>not</u> using the Veteran Success Center average – 2.92[3,4]
- Veterans using the Veteran Success Center – 3.11[3,4]

Cumulative Grade Point Average Stats for Spring 2020

- Non-veteran students– 3.15[3]
- Veterans <u>not</u> using the Veteran Success Center – 3.13[3,4]
- Veterans using the Veteran Success Center – 3.27[3,4]

Sources:
[1]U.S. Census Bureau, 2018 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimate
[2]Banner reports
[3]MUS Warehouse Enrollment table
[4]Veteran Success Center report
[5]Graduation report from Registrar's Office

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