

Invitation to Self-Identify Veteran Status

The University of California is a Government contractor subject to the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended by the Jobs for Veterans Act of 2002, 38 U.S.C. 4212 (VEVRAA), which requires Government contractors to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment: (1) disabled veterans; (2) recently separated veterans; (3) active duty wartime or campaign badge veterans, (4) Armed Forces service medal veterans; and (5) Vietnam Era Veterans. These classifications are defined as follows:

- A “disabled veteran” is one of the following:
 1. A veteran of the U.S. military, ground, naval or air service who is entitled to compensation (or who but for the receipt of military retired pay would be entitled to compensation) under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; or
 2. A person who was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability.
- A “recently separated veteran” means any veteran during the three-year period beginning on the date of such veteran's discharge or release from active duty in the U.S. military, ground, naval, or air service.
- An “active duty wartime or campaign badge veteran” means a veteran who served on active duty in the U.S. military, ground, naval or air service during a war, or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized under the laws administered by the Department of Defense.
- An “Armed forces service medal veteran” means a veteran who, while serving on active duty in the U.S. military, ground, naval or air service, participated in a United States military operation for which an Armed Forces service medal was awarded pursuant to [Executive Order 12985](#).
- Vietnam Era Veteran means a person who:
 1. Served on active duty for a period of more than 180 days, and was discharged or released therefrom with other than a dishonorable discharge, if any part of such active duty occurred: a. in the republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975; or b. between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, in all other cases; or
 2. Was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability, if any part of such active duty was performed: a. in the republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975; or b. between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, in all other cases.