



Veteran's Priority of Service Policy

The Jobs for Veterans Act (JVA), PL 107-288, signed into law on November 7, 2002, requires that there be priority of service for veterans and eligible spouses in any workforce preparation, development, or delivery program or service directly funded in whole or in part, by the U.S. Department of Labor (38 U.S.C. 4215).

Priority of service means, with respect to any qualified Department of Labor employment and job-training programs, that Veterans **(1)** and Eligible Spouses **(2)** shall be given priority over non-Veterans for the receipt of employment, training, and placement services, notwithstanding any other provision of the law.

If you are a veteran or the eligible spouse of a veteran, you are entitled to priority service throughout the duration of your participation in the Capital Region Collaborative: Jobs in Technical Careers (CRC). This priority applies to any and all aspects of the program's services and facilities, and could include preferential class enrollment, and access to our exclusive career and internship counseling, connections, and opportunities.

1 Veteran: a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released there from under conditions other than dishonorable. Active service includes full-time duty in the National Guard or Reserve component, other than full-time duty for training purposes.

2 Eligible Spouse: the spouse of any of the following:

1. Any Veteran who died of a service-connected disability;
2. Any member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty who, at the time of application for priority, is listed in one or more of the following categories and has been so listed for a total of more than 90 days:
 - a. Missing in action;
 - b. Captured in line of duty by a hostile force; or
 - c. Forcibly detained or interned in line of duty by a foreign government or power;
3. Any Veteran who has a total disability resulting from a service-connected disability, as evaluated by the Department of Veterans Affairs;
4. Any Veteran who died while a service-connected disability (as described in number 3 above) was in existence.