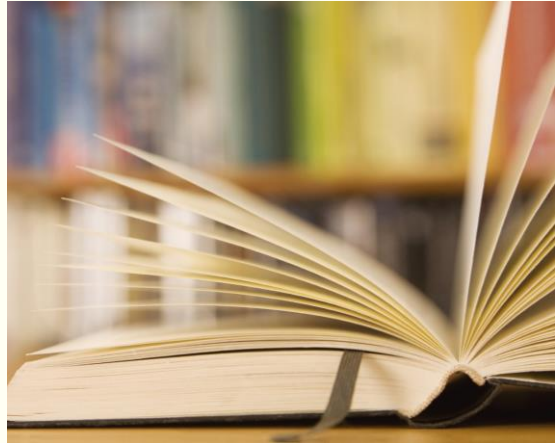


WESTERN PA VETERANS ACADEMIC ALLIANCE

June 1st, 2017 (Summer Meeting)
University of Pittsburgh



Meeting Moderators



Edwin Hernandez

Director, Office of Veterans Services
University of Pittsburgh



Lee Wagner

Veterans to BSN Academic Coach, School of Nursing
Duquesne University

Introductions

Please share your name, title, and academic institution.



Meeting Host Institution Welcome



Daniel Fisher, MHA

Assistant Chair for Administration and Operations
Department of Rehabilitation Science and Technology
University of Pittsburgh

Western PA VAA Updates

- Fisher House Grant
 - funding proposal in support of VAA
- VAA Regional Fall Social
 - Pirates Game



Summer Meeting Topics of Discussion

- Best Practices that Address Student Issues (including disabilities, family life, financial, etc.)
- Western PA Veterans Education Summit (discussion regarding collaborating on building an event to showcase all educational institutions in our region)

Topic 1: Best Practices that Address Student Issues



Guest Speakers

Rory Cooper, PhD

*Associate Dean for Inclusion, School of Health and Rehabilitation,
FISA - Paralyzed Veterans of America Chair and Distinguished
Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Science and Technology,
University of Pittsburgh*



Jean Coyne, MSED

Director of Intervention Services & PAServes, Greater Pittsburgh

Ryan Ahl, MEd

*Veterans Outreach Program Specialist, Pittsburgh Vet Center,
Department of Veterans Affairs*

Sharing Best Practices and Q&A Sessions



Topic 2: Western PA Veterans Education Summit



- Initial Thoughts?
- Location and Date?
- Working Committee?

CLOSING REMARKS

REMEMBER:
NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 2017
(DOODLE SCHEDULING POLL WILL BE SENT OUT)

