



Journal of Veterans Studies

I'm pleased to announce our second complete issue of 2017 and the first issue curated from an accelerated publication process (APP). APP affords scholars a quicker turnaround from submission to publication, all the while maintaining rigorous, peer-review standards. By publishing accepted works as soon as they have been copyedited and proofed—instead of waiting to publish until curating a complete issue—not only makes a difference to scholars on the tenure clock, but it also helps researchers and advocates share innovative findings and suggestions with readers in a timely manner. The latter of which is particularly important given the impact veterans studies research can have for the development or refinement of policies and programs to increase veterans' quality of life. This robust, open issue unites 11 original research articles. A handful of articles focus on student veterans in higher education, the others cover topics ranging from women veterans and veteran service organizations (VSOs), to feelings of loneliness and suicidal ideations, to the influence of physical activity on veterans' wellness. Also included is a review of the independently published compilation *The Fire Within: Shedding Light on Trauma*, which joins the testimonies of 21 veterans and one widowed veteran spouse. I hope this issue illustrates the vibrancy and diversity of the current state of veterans studies scholarship. Please share this issue with colleagues and friends who can benefit from the innovative research of the scholars featured in this issue.

My best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MG", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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