

## Arkansas State Designated a 'Top School' in Military Advanced Education's 2015 Guide

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JONESBORO – Military Advanced Education (MAE) has awarded Arkansas State University the designation of a "Top School" in its 2015 Guide to Colleges & Universities, measuring best practices in military and veteran education.

The Guide presents results of a survey of military-supportive policies enacted at more than 600 institutions including private, public, for-profit, not-for-profit, four-year, and two-year colleges. It provides information about institutions that go out of their way to give back to our men and women in uniform.

This is Arkansas State's fifth consecutive year to be listed in the MAE guide. This year, institutions were evaluated on their military culture, financial aid, flexibility, on-campus support and online support services.

"Because of dedicated faculty and staff all across campus, military members and veterans can count on quality educational opportunities at Arkansas State," said Lynda Nash, director of the Beck PRIDE Center in the College of Nursing and Health Professions. "We appreciate this recognition by Military Advanced Education and we appreciate the excellent ongoing community support that makes this possible."

Each school's performance rating by category is represented by an easy-to-recognize dashboard. This will enable prospective students to quickly target schools that follow best practices in military education, and then put these in context with other academic or career considerations.

"We believe the Guide serves as an invaluable tool for both education services officers and transition officers when advising service members about their educational opportunities," said Kelly Fodel, MAE's editor. "We used strict criteria to individually evaluate the submissions of respondents, and we had a record number of schools participating this year."

The 2015 guide was printed in the December issue of Military Advanced Education and published in a searchable online database online at [www.mae-kmi.com](http://www.mae-kmi.com).

"We designed this database with the military student in mind," Fodel added. "We want to help them make informed choices, so we are giving them access to all the survey questions and answers provided by the schools."

Military Advanced Education ([www.mae-kmi.com](http://www.mae-kmi.com)) serves education services officers (ESOs) and transition officers (TOs) at every U.S. military installation, along with the service members they counsel. Published 10 times yearly, MAE's editorial coverage includes exclusive interviews with military executive leadership, educators, and members of Congress; service member, school, and program profiles; and periodic special reports.

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