

Equal Employment Opportunity – Voluntary Self-Identification Form Applicant Survey - Protected Veteran Status

SUNY Upstate Medical University and The Research Foundation for SUNY Upstate are both equal opportunity employers and Government contractors 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; and (4) Armed Forces service medal veterans.

Protected veterans may have additional rights under USERRA—the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act. In particular, if you were absent from employment in order to perform service in the uniformed service, you may be entitled to be reemployed by your employer in the position you would have obtained with reasonable certainty if not for the absence due to service. For more information, call the U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans Employment and Training Service ("VETS"), toll-free, at 1-866-4-USA-DOL.

As a Government contractor subject to VEVRAA, we request this information to measure the effectiveness of the outreach and positive recruitment efforts we undertake pursuant to VEVRAA. Your decision to provide the relevant information is purely voluntary on your part, and refusal to provide such information will not subject you to any adverse treatment. The information will not be used in a manner inconsistent with VEVRAA, as amended.

The information you submit will be kept confidential, except that (i) supervisors and managers may be informed regarding restrictions on the work or duties of disabled veterans, and regarding necessary accommodations; (ii) first aid and safety personnel may be informed, when and to the extent appropriate, if you have a condition that might require emergency treatment; and (iii) Government officials engaged in enforcing laws administered by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, or enforcing the Americans with Disabilities Act, may be informed.

Please enter your information in the fields below and return these forms to: fax # 315-464-5232; or email address: Diversity@upstate.edu or mailing address: Diversity and Inclusion, Room 711, Jacobsen Hall, 175 Elizabeth Blackwell Street, Syracuse, New York, 13210.

Applicant Name (Please print): _____ **Date:** _____

Position Applied For: Job # _____ **Title:** _____

Please check one of the appropriate boxes below:

I identify as one or more of the classification of Protected Veteran listed below:

- A “**disabled veteran**” is one of the following: 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 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.

I am not a Protected Veteran