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EVERGLADES UNIVERSITY SELECTED AS A TOP SCHOOL IN *MILITARY ADVANCED EDUCATION'S* 2015 GUIDE TO COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Boca Raton, FL—Dec. 3, 2014—*Military Advanced Education* (MAE) has awarded Everglades University the designation of a Top School in its 2015 *MAE* Guide to Colleges & Universities, measuring best practices in military and veteran education. The Guide was (will be) released in the December issue of MAE, and will be available online at www.mae-kmi.com.

The Guide presents results of a questionnaire of the military-supportive policies enacted at more than 600 institutions including private, public, for-profit, not-for-profit, four-year, and two-year colleges. From community colleges to state universities, online universities and nationally known centers of higher learning, *MAE's* 2015 Guide to Colleges & Universities arms students with information about institutions that go out of their way to give back to our men and women in uniform.

Now in its eighth year of publishing the Guide, *MAE* was the first publication to launch a reference tool of this type. This year, institutes were evaluated on their **military culture**, **financial aid**, **flexibility**, **oncampus support and online support services**. 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 servicemembers 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."

"Not only is the 2015 Guide printed in our December issue of *Military Advanced Education*, but also published in a searchable database online," Fodel said. "We designed this database with the military student in mind. 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, as well as explanations about critical issues like activation and deployment policies, withdrawal policies, scholarship and financial aid information and important support information."

Visit <u>www.mae-kmi.com</u> for online access to *MAE*'s 2015 Guide to Colleges and Universities, or pick up a copy of the December issue of *Military Advanced Education*.

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About Everglades University: Everglades University has been accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools since 2010. Everglades University is an accredited, private, not-for-profit university offering bachelor's and master's degree programs that prepare students to advance in their careers or fields of study. With small class sizes, innovative degree programs, and convenient on-campus and online class schedules to accommodate working students and adult learners, Everglades University is committed to student success.

Everglades University provides relevant degree programs to meet the demands of the evolving job market, which is a result of our partnerships with industry professionals. Our Student Services Department works with both graduates and employers in the community to build employment opportunities. Everglades University is proud of our graduates' contribution to the workforce and economic development, locally and throughout the state.

Visit our website at www.evergladesuniversity.edu.

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