Hiring Our Heroes

U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation

Fellowships for Transitioning Service Members

Hiring Our Heroes fellowships are DoD SkillBridge programs connecting transitioning service members to civilian internships. These nationwide opportunities are available to service members within 180 days of transition and traditionally operate as 12-week fellowships, but the program is flexible to adapt to branch- and rank-specific SkillBridge policies.



overall post fellowship job offer rate

PROGRAM STATS



overall completed fellowships

663

participating companies in 2024 \$117k average starting salary in 2024

Corporate Fellowships

- Hands-on corporate training with host companies across all industries
- Friday "huddles" for networking and presentations by industry experts and career coaches
- Free certificate course available
- Minimum of an associate degree required

Industry-Based Fellowships

- Cybersecurity, Data Analytics, Digital Marketing & E-Commerce, IT Support, Project Management, UX Design: Career Forward
- Solar & Renewable Energy: Interstate Renewable Energy Council (IREC)
- Applied Technology: Salesforce
- Friday "huddles" for networking and presentations by industry experts

Skills-Based Fellowships

- No college degree required; basic work experience and for those looking to upskill in high demand industries
- Friday "huddles" for networking and presentations by industry experts and career coaches
- Free certificate course available

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PROGRAM BASICS

-) DoD SkillBridge fellowships are for service members within 180 days of separation.
-) Opportunities for degreed and non-degreed candidates.

Nationwide placement: Fellowships can be facilitated in any U.S. state, provided there is a match between a fellow and a host company.

SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday: Fellows spend 4 days with host company where you will receive on-the-job training and other relevant training.

Friday: Professional development day spent with cohort of fellows to receive additional employment-related training, networking opportunities, and presentations from industry experts and career coaches.

UPCOMING PROGRAM DATES

- Aug. 25 Nov. 13, 2025 Application deadline: June 5, 2025
- Jan. 12 Apr. 6, 2026 Application deadline: Oct. 9, 2025
- May 4 July 23, 2026 Application deadline: Feb. 12, 2026

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