



Memorandum

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To: University Community

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Subject: UW-Green Bay Students Serving in National Guard Called In for Hurricane Irma Relief

The hurricanes impacting the southern United States continue to personally touch our campus community. Last week, we offered support to approximately 25 UW-Green Bay students who are Florida natives as they anxiously watched preparations and then waited for news about the wellbeing of friends and family at home.

Yesterday, we were alerted that 18 of our students who serve in the National Guard have been called in for military reserve duty to provide support to the residents of Florida. Their mission is to assist with relief efforts following Hurricane Irma and prepare for the possibility of landfall by Hurricane Jose in the days ahead. Many of them are leaving as soon as today (Tuesday). Ultimately, 25 total students from UW-Green Bay may be deployed to Florida with the Guard.

I hope you are as proud of our students as I am and will join me in thanking these students for their service during this important mission. We ask the campus community to provide our students with the support and flexibility needed to focus on their mission, both now as they activate and later upon their return to their academic careers.

Faculty and staff who have questions or are looking for ways to support these students are encouraged to contact Elaina Koltz, koltze@uwgb.edu, Veteran Services Coordinator in Financial Aid. You can read more about the efforts of the Wisconsin National Guard in Hurricane Irma [here](#).

These students have answered the call for help, and as a campus, we have a responsibility to respond to *their* call for help when they return. Please keep them in your thoughts as we wish for their safe and expedient return to the Phoenix Family.