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Veteran Statistics at UW-Madison

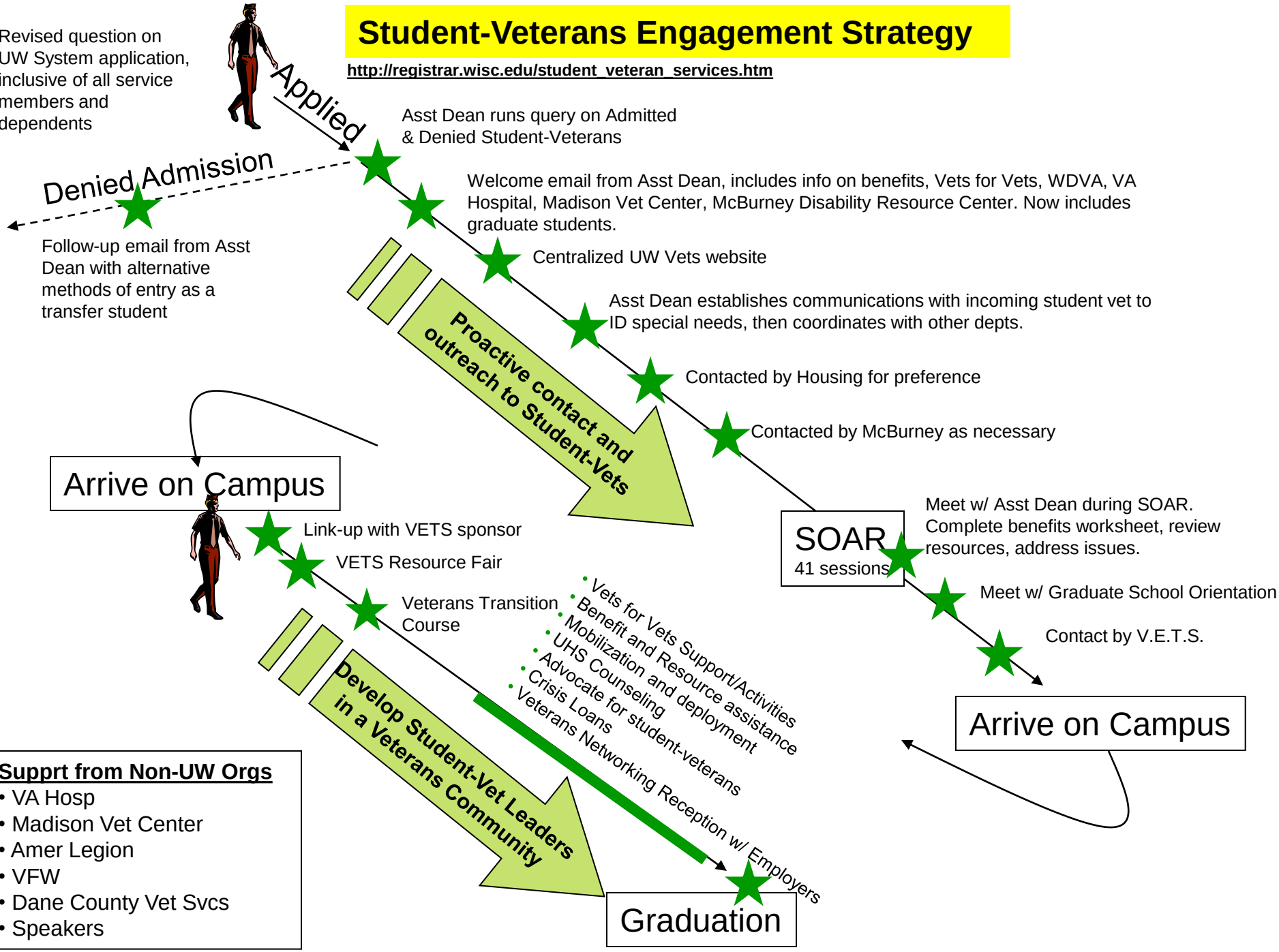
- 418 undergraduates (~60% w/ transfer credits)
- 175 graduate students
- Average age (undergrad) is ~24
- 17% married (grad and undergrad)
- 21% females

- Active Duty
- National Guard & Reserves
- Prior service

- *Navy, Army, USAF ROTC= 200 cadets/midshipman*

Student-Veterans Engagement Strategy

http://registrar.wisc.edu/student_veteran_services.htm



Good Stuff

- Veteran Services and Military Assistance Center (VSMAC) to be built Spring 2014, Registrar Office
- Student-Veteran Organization (est. 1972) has office space and funding for next 2 yrs
- Increase in Post 9/11 Yellow Ribbon Slots
- Veterans a “preferred population” for admission
- Short-term loan program for veterans that are waiting on first payment
- Robust VFW and American Legion support for programs
- WI GI Bill (128 credit hours)

Issues

- Residency status (where's home?)

  - Post 9/11 YRP (50 undergrad, 8 grad, 2 law)
- Transfer credits (help or hurt?)
- No longer member of SOC (last 30 credit hour rule)
- UW System credits for "life experience"
  - **UW System Credit for Prior Learning Webpage:**

"UW-Madison: Students may take the CLEP test and request an evaluation of their military transcript if they would like to earn up to six credits for prior learning. UW-Madison does not award credit for life experience."