1. Understand your goals; why you’re here and what you want to achieve. Review them often.

Determine if there is a degree program at S&T for you.

2. Check VA benefit eligibility (apply if possible).

- Understand which financial benefit is best for you and how much of your education it will cover.

3. Check Financial Aid eligibility - Talk to your Financial Aid Advisor: sfa.mst.edu

A. Plan how you will pay for school. Look at loans, grants, scholarships, and your savings.

B. See our “Academic Works” site for scholarships: **https://mst.academicworks.com/users/sign\_in**

C. Determine whether you are in-state or out-of-state. This will affect scholarships, tuition, and more.

 -Check registrar.mst.edu/links/veterans/veteranaccess/ to see if you fall under the Veteran
 Access, Choice, and Accountability Act which can get you in-state tuition anywhere in the country!

4. Check military transcripts (see Transfer Credit Map, also **https://jst.doded.mil/smart/signIn.do**)

5. Tour Campus and visit the SVRC and Campus Resources.

6. Apply to Missouri S&T. Contact Admission’s Office for your Advising Day.

7. Apply for GI Bill benefits and submit Certificate of Enrollment to the Registrar’s Office.

- Specifically to our VA Certifying Official: **registrar.mst.edu/links/veterans**8. Develop an Academic Plan.

A. What’s your desired degree and major? Do you want a Minor or a Dual-Major?

B. Understand how long it can take. Speak to an Academic Advisor for some insight, or review our Registrar’s “catalog” site and look at degree plans and courses: **http://catalog.mst.edu/undergraduate/#text**

C. Check your Joint Services Transcript (JST); what can transfer over? How does that affect your requirements?

D. S&T has an experiential learning requirement; internships, coops, even Design Teams are acceptable means of completing it. Check with your major department for details.

9. Register for classes during your Advising Day.

-Complete and turn in your Enrollment Data Form to our School Certifying Official if you are receiving
 benefits.

10. Register for our Veterans Orientation by contacting the SVRC: **svrc@mst.edu | 573-341-6117.**

11. Contact Disability Support Services, if accommodations are needed: **dss.mst.edu | dss@mst.edu.**

12. Get involved!

A. Learn about the campus resources and their location.

B. Join our Student Veterans Association

C. Find a student group or design team; MinerRama is a student group fair, from 11 – 2 pm on 8/26/16

13. Wrap it up

A. Parking Permits - check **police.mst.edu/parking/parking**

B. Buy your books - Check the S&T Book Store or find it online: **www.thesandtstore.com.**
C. Get your ID card - The Miner Card, at 106 Centennial Hall. It’s free for student veterans and their families.

D. Explore campus. Learn where your classes are located.

E. Explore Rolla, check the Chamber of Commerce to find a local veterans organization.