

Strada Education Network Project: PLA and Veteran Support



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Phase I: May 2015 – November 2016



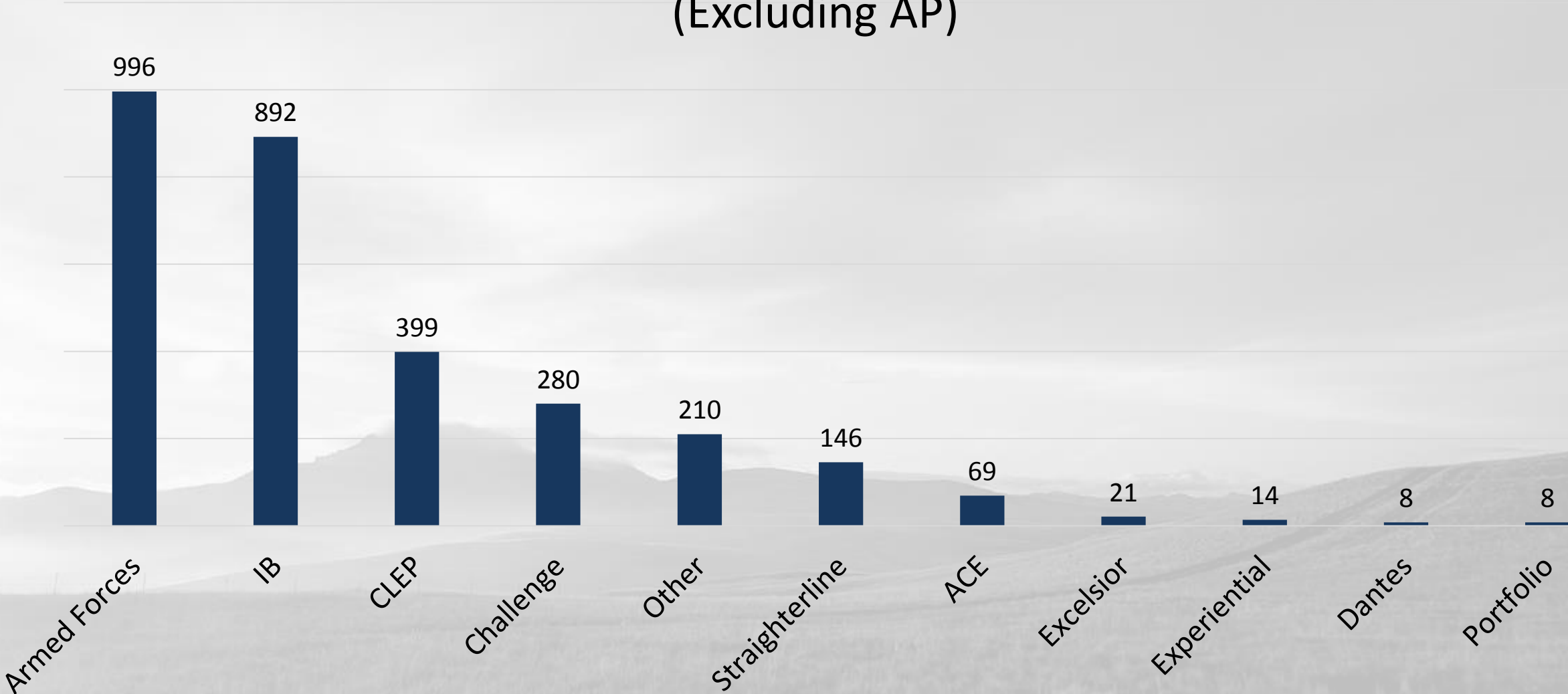
Phase II: January 2017 – August 2018

- Increased focus on supporting veterans
- Continued to convene PLA Council
- Provided financial literacy workshops
- Conducted outreach to Veteran Support Agencies
- Implemented marketing campaign
- Created PLA tracking method in the MUS Warehouse
- Provided campuses with subgrants

PLA by the Numbers

- 16,799 instances of students earning PLA credit in academic year 2017-2018
 - 4% increase over 2016-2017
 - Advanced Placement represented 82% of all PLA
- 977 of the instances were students receiving veteran benefits
 - 996 separate instances of credits articulated directly from formal military training

PLA by Type of Prior Experience AY 2017-2018 (Excluding AP)



Direct Support to Campuses

5 grants totaling \$84,000

Great Falls College

Missoula College

Highlands College

City College

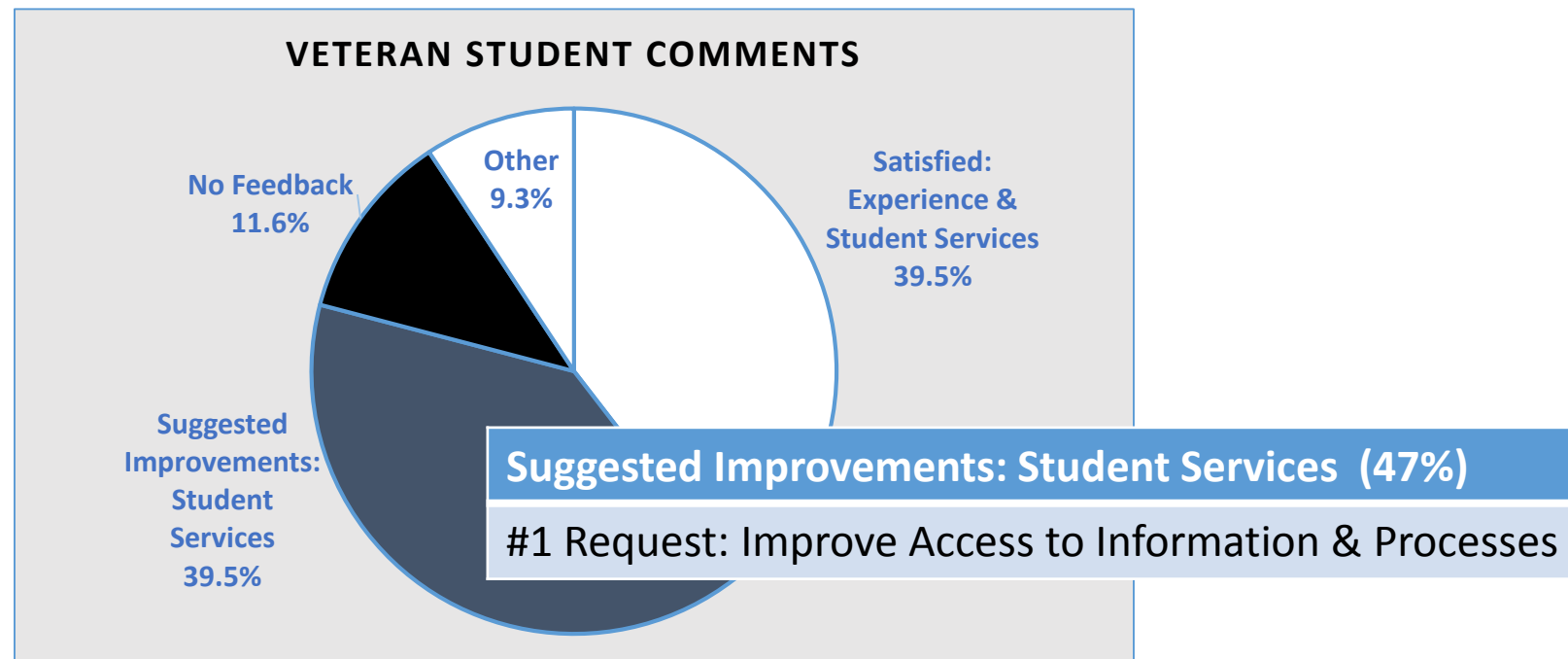
Helena College

Enhancing services to veterans, building apprenticeship
PLA opportunities, and reaching out to adult learners



MSUB / CITY COLLEGE Veterans:
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To Begin the MSUB / City College Veterans Project we first wanted to discover the needs of our veteran students. How could the college better serve our veteran students?



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The purpose of the MSUB / City College Veterans Project:

- To discover and meet the needs of student veterans
- To broaden and deepen understanding of what veterans bring to the classroom, the campus, the workplace and the community at large.
 - Connecting Veteran students to other local Veteran community networks/organizations.
- To assist in the implementation of Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)
 - Finding ways to award college credit for military training/experience. Guest speaker from CAEL (Council for Adult and Experiential Learning) for faculty professional development.
- To expand communication and awareness of resources for veterans
 - Streamline enrollment process by creating a position for a Director of Veteran Services. Providing students with enrollment checklists.

