

The University Military Association (UMA)

of

Georgetown University

Washington, DC

The University Military Association (UMA) at Georgetown University, Washington, DC is a college program intended to promote a positive military presence on university campuses, while providing a supportive social network for veterans, active duty, and reserve personnel; thus, furthering the interests of our national defense community. The University Military Association was initiated by Luke Lagera in December of 2008 with the mentorship of Rear Admiral James J. Carey, the National Defense Committee, and the Washington Scholars Fellowship Program - Veterans Internship program. With its strong foundation, UMA hopes to provide a positive military presence on college campuses; especially at a time of open, discriminative policies displayed by various universities around the nation.

UMA also aims to bring all branches of the military together in the spirit of brotherhood. The program was founded by Luke Lagera (Georgetown University – United States Naval Academy Honorable Discharge), Joseph McGrath (Georgetown University - NROTC), James Bean (Georgetown University - NROTC), Michael Sass (Georgetown University - ROTC), Alexander Nance (Georgetown University - ROTC), and Win Knowles (Georgetown University -AFROTC).

During its initial stages, members of the UMA were competitively selected and prompted by top military personnel around the nation to attend inaugural receptions, ceremonies, and balls; to host world-class noble families; to promote and lobby for top military rights; to work alongside top Congressional leaders; and to achieve top federal and private positions of stature.

The UMA is structured to be a unique organization for both world-class companies and for Officer's Programs to recruit the nation's finest young men and women from higher-level college institutions. The program was officially launched at the Capitol Hill Club in February of 2009. The UMA will continue to coordinate its activities and growth with the National Defense Committee and the Washington Scholars Fellowship Program in its future ambitions.