<u>Panel</u>	Presenter/Panelists	
Business Leader	9:20am-10:15	
	Dr. Patrick Madsen	Dr. Patrick Madsen, Panel Moderator, became Director of the University Career Center at UNC Charlotte in August 2015. He leads a team of career team members toward the development of a career curriculum for students and a talent acquisition program for employers seeking to recruit. His background includes a bachelor's degree in Psychology from North Carolina State University, a master's degree in Counseling from East Carolina University, and a doctorate in Organizational Leadership/Student Affairs from Nova Southeastern University. Dr. Madsen has more than fifteen years' experience in higher education and ten years of experience teaching at the university level. Dr. Madsen has presented on topics including career counseling and student development, leadership and followership, and organizational communication at the regional and national level. Dr. Madsen was selected as an international expert on career services and higher education for the Fulbright Specialist program, a five year honor.
	Charlie Spicer	Charlie Spicer serves as the Military Recruiting Lead for Duke Energy here in Charlotte, NC. Prior to his current role with Duke, Charlie was the Senior HR Consultant in Wilmington, NC, followed by an assignment as the Lead HR Consultant at Catawba Nuclear Station. Charlie retired from the US Army in 2013 having filled roles as a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic, Maintenance Supervisor, Recruiter, Recruiting Station Manager, Project Manager, and Regional Recruiting Manager. Spicer may be one of the few corporate recruiters who has extensive experience recruiting for the Army as well as recruiting veterans into private industry. He understands the attractions that originally pulled men and women into military service and the valuable transferrable skills they bring with them as they step into civilian careers. He has helped hundreds of transitioning service members navigate into successful new careers. He's made it his personal mission to simplify and ease the transition for service members who are following in his path.
	Anamore Valdiosera	Anamore Valdiosera serves as Accenture Talent Development and HR Services Associate Director with focus on New Skilling. Anamore joined Accenture 9 years ago. In her role as Client Account Human Resources and Client Integration Lead, Anamore helped drive the business agenda while prioritizing the people needs in Accenture's different operating groups; her approach translated into the creation of Human Resources newer work: New Skilling [Re-Skilling]. Anamore's vision in the Talent Development organization is to enhance the employee value proposition and to further develop Accenture's new skilling best practices for its different offerings, while mitigating risks and executing human resources and learning plans to ensure the best people are retained in the firm while meeting inclusion and diversity goals. Anamore lives in Charlotte NC with her husband and two daughters.
	Alex Glennon	Alex Glennon is Human Resources Manager for Enterprise Holdings, Inc. for the Greater Charlotte market. Alex began his career in St. Louis, MO and has worked for Enterprise Holdings for 12 years. His experience includes over 5 years of managing branch Daily Rental operations, 3 years heading talent development initiatives for the St. Louis market and most recently over 3 years in human resource management. Alex is a graduate of the University of Dayton where he received his degree in Business Administration – Entrepreneurship and is a Society for Human Resource Management Certified Professional (SHRM-CP).
	Jim Whaley	Jim Whaley is Vice President, Global Corporate Communications, and Government Affairs and for Sealed Air Corporation. Previously, Jim was Senior Vice President of Communications and Marketing for Siemens Corporation and Chairman of the Siemens Foundation. Prior to his tenure at Siemens, Jim served as Director of Communications at the United States Military Academy at West Point. Jim has more than 25 years of management experience that includes integrated marketing, strategic communications, media relations, internal communications, crisis communications and community relations. He is a graduate of Lock Haven University where he received his undergraduate degree. He completed his MBA at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

<u>Breakouts</u>	10:30am-12:00	
QPR (Question/Persuade/Refer)	Amy Rudisill, Cardinal Innovations Healthcare	Amy Rudisill is a Community Engagement Specialist for Cardinal Innovations Healthcare who works with diverse communities to promote wellness, awareness, and partnerships for change. After spending more than a decade working in the behavioral health industry, Amy believes that solid relationships and a collaborative community presence creates healthier, sustainable communities. Amy is a certified Mental Health First Aid Instructor and Question-Persuade-Refer (QPR) Suicide Prevention Instructor. Amy holds a Bachelor's Degree in Rehabilitation Studies from East Carolina University.
Green Zone Training Overview	Tracy Threatt - CPCC	Tracy Threatt is a Veteran, she served nine years in United States Navy. She is currently the Counselor and Academic Advisor at the Cato campus for Military Families and Veterans with Central Piedmont Community College. Tracy has a Master's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling with a Certification in Behavioral Addictions. Tracy enjoys helping veterans with educational and personal goals. tracy.threatt@cpcc.edu
	Amanda Fink - CPCC	Amanda Fink is the spouse of a Veteran. She is currently serving as the Levine campus Counselor for Military Families and Veterans with Central Piedmont Community College. Amanda has been a clinician for over 20 years and is a licensed clinician in Florida and North Carolina. Amanda specialties are Adolescence, Depression, Anxiety, PTSD, relationship conflict, and adjustment issues, Couples Counseling. Amanda has a Master's degree in Counseling. amanda.fink@cpcc.edu
Understanding transfer credit for previous college coursework/ military experience	Jon Sims - Queens University	Jon Sims currently serves as the Director Transfer and Post Traditional Admissions in the Traditional Undergraduate Office of Admissions at Queens University of Charlotte. Jon is currently in his seventh year at Queens overseeing the transfer admissions process for both traditional and adult undergraduate students. His educational background consists of a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Mary Washington and master of communication from Queens University of Charlotte.
	1:00-2:30pm	
MHFA Veterans Overview	Ted Thomas, Cardinal Innovations Healthcare	Ted Thomas is a Community Engagement Specialist for Cardinal Innovations Healthcare who works with communities to promote behavioral health awareness, reduce stigma and create change. After spending more than a decade in this field, Ted knows that when we empower people with the right skills and tools, communities can thrive. Ted is a certified instructor for Mental Health First Aid Adult and Veteran Module. He is also a North Carolina Certified Peer Support Specialist. Ted achieved his Bachelor's Degree in Human Services, Mental Health and Rehabilitation from Thomas Edison State University, following a ten year career in the United States Air Force and three years in the Naval Reserve during Desert Storm.
Evaluation of Military Training and Occupational Experience for Academic Credit	Chuck Gross - UNC System	Charles Gross is the Director for Prior Learning Assessment and Military Credit for the University of North Carolina System Office. During his twenty-year career in the United States Air Force, Charles was regularly involved in the formal education, training, and professional development of military and civilian managers and leaders. While working at Western Carolina University as the Director for Military Education he served as the chief university point of contact and primary advocate for military-affiliated students, working with faculty, staff, and university administrators to streamline all processes affecting military-affiliated students, and to raise campus awareness of veteran issues. Charles' primary focus is to work with his NC Community College counterparts to carry out the mandates of Senate Bill 761, which requires the UNC Board of Governors and the State Board of Community Colleges to optimize the process of granting academic credit to students with military training and occupational experience. Charles earned an MBA as an adult learner from Liberty University. He is currently completing a Master of Arts in Counseling, and he has plans to work with military veterans in this additional capacity.
Decisions: Corporate vs. Entrepreneurship	Linda Hill - CEO, Move Pack Clean	Linda Hill is a United States Army Veteran. Linda is the founder and CEO of Move Pack Clean. Move Pack Clean is a relocation services company, which provides comprehensive and personalized relocation services for individuals, families, and businesses. Linda also founded Green Thumb Cleaning and Organizing. Linda a former educator has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management. movepackclean@gmail.com <htqs: movepackclean@gmail.com=""></htqs:>
	Aaron Harper - Manager of Military and Veteran Affairs at Atriun Health	Aaron Harper is a United States Marine Veteran. Aaron is the Manager of Military and Veteran Affairs at Atrium Health. Aaron manages the development, promotion and roll out of system-wide military and veterans internal and external strategies. Aaron has a MBA from Queens University. aaron.harper@carolinashealthcare.org
	Andrew Birch - Founder and CEO, ITLogix, LLC	Andrew Birch is a United States Marine Veteran. Andrew is the founder and CEO of ITLogix, LLC an IT Consulting and Managed Services firm based in Huntersville, NC. Their services range from help desk to network design, implementation, and management. Andrew founded and sold multiple businesses before starting ITLogix. andrew@itlogix.us
	Richard Bartell - Program Manager, Goodwill Industries of Southern Piedmont	Richard Bartell is a United States Navy Veteran. Richard currently serves as the Program Manager at Goodwill Industries of Southern Piedmont. Rich manages the GoodJobs Veterans job initiative through intensive training certifications, holistic wraparound services, career advisement, strategic partnerships, recruitment coordination, and community outreach. Rich has a Master's degree in Marriage and Family Therapy. Richard.Bartell@goodwillsp.org

<u>Administrative</u>	3:45pm-4:25	
	Dr. Laura Colson McLean	Dr. Laura Colson McLean has served as dean of Johnson C. Smith University's (JCSU) Metropolitan College of Professional Studies since July 2015. An integral member of JCSU's faculty and staff since 2005, McLean is known for strengthening the adult degree program's culture of connection and engagement. Under her leadership, Metropolitan College has initiated e-learning bachelor's degree programs, expanded offerings and certification programs for non-native speakers of English, and established the Veterans Hub, an academic and support services network for military students and their families. As the chief academic and executive officer of Metropolitan College of Professional Studies, Dean McLean's central focus is to provide guidance and oversight so that students and faculty have the best possible experience.
	Dr. Cheryl Harris Curtis	Dr. Cheryl Harris Curtis serves as Director, Educational Enhancement Services, for Johnson C. Smith University's Metropolitan College of Professional Studies. In this capacity, she utilizes her knowledge of adult learning theory to assist nontraditional and diverse populations with program completion and postsecondary degrees. In addition, she conducts research that will inform higher education and institutional policy-making. Not only does she work with nontraditional students that take on-ground courses, she provides intense support and academic advising for all online students at the university. She is also the dedicated advocate for veterans/military students on the campus and serves as the staff advisor for the organization, JCSU SVA (Johnson C. Smith University Student Veterans of America).