

## **Press Notification for Immediate Release**

### **Arizona Culinary Institute Awarded Military Friendly Schools ® Title from Victory Media Inc**

Victory Media, the premier media entity for military personnel transitioning into civilian life, has named Arizona Culinary Institute to the coveted Military Friendly Schools ® list. The 2013 Military Friendly Schools ® list honors the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools in the country that are doing the most to embrace America's military service members, veterans, and spouses as students and ensure their success on campus.

"Inclusion on the 2013 list of Military Friendly Schools ® shows Arizona Culinary Institute commitment to providing a supportive environment for military students," said Sean Collins, Director for *G.I. Jobs* and Vice President at Victory Media. "As interest in education grows we're thrilled to provide the military community with transparent, world-class resources to assist in their search for schools," said Sean. Complete survey methodology is available at [www.militaryfriendlyschools.com/methodology](http://www.militaryfriendlyschools.com/methodology)

The Military Friendly Schools ® media and website, found at [www.militaryfriendlyschools.com](http://www.militaryfriendlyschools.com), feature the list, interactive tools and search functionality to help military students find the best school to suit their unique needs and preferences. The 1,739 colleges, universities and trade schools on this year's list exhibit leading practices in the recruitment and retention of students with military experience. These schools have world-class programs and policies for student support on campus, academic accreditation, credit policies, flexibility, and other services to those who served.

Now in its fourth year, the 2013 list of Military Friendly Schools ® was compiled through extensive research and a data-driven survey of more than 12,000 VA-approved schools nationwide. The survey results that comprise the 2013 list were independently tested by Ernst & Young LLP based upon the weightings and methodology established by Victory Media. Each year schools taking the survey are held to a higher standard than the previous year via improved methodology, criteria and weightings developed with the assistance of an Academic Advisory Board (AAB) consisting of educators from schools across the country. A full list of board members can be found at <http://militaryfriendlyschools.com/board>.

A full story and detailed list of 2013 Military Friendly Schools ® will be highlighted in the annual *G.I. Jobs Guide to Military Friendly Schools* ®, distributed in print and digital format to hundreds of thousands of active and former military personnel in early October. The Guide and associated media will also be featured at the Carrier Classic college basketball game on Nov. 9, anchored by a playoff between The Ohio State University and Marquette University on the deck of the *USS Yorktown*. Both participating schools are on this year's list of Military Friendly Schools ®.

### **ABOUT Victory Media Inc**

Victory Media is a service-disabled, veteran-owned small business founded in 2001. Victory's free, data-driven, Military Friendly ® lists can be found at [www.gijobs.com/2012Top100](http://www.gijobs.com/2012Top100), [www.militaryfriendlyschools.com](http://www.militaryfriendlyschools.com) and [www.militaryfranchising.com](http://www.militaryfranchising.com). Victory's lists are also published in *G.I. Jobs*, *Military Spouse*, *Vetpreneur* magazines, republished in national and local periodicals and are frequently cited on national and local TV stations.