

# PRESIDENTS' LEADERSHIP AWARD



## *Jeremy Clague* *Manchester Community College*

Jeremy Clague was first introduced to the rewards of community service in high school as a member of the Pinkerton Academy Junior ROTC. Part of their mission was to provide service to their community in a variety of missions from cleaning the roads of the area to participating in school events. It wasn't until graduation when at the age of 18 Jeremy committed to the ultimate service to his country by becoming a Marine. Jeremy served his country and the Marines he supervised with distinction for 6 and a half years, first in Iraq in 2008 and then in Afghanistan in 2010, until he was medically retired at the rank of Sergeant. Jeremy transitioned back to civilian life through his employment, but he desired more of a challenge. In pursuit of a meaningful experience, Jeremy searched for opportunities on campus that involved working in challenging conditions with teams of great people to solve problems whose scope exceeded personal gain. Jeremy found that outlet in the MCC Veteran Center, on the CCSNH Board and later on in Student Life. For two years, Jeremy has served as the President of MCC Veterans. He assists and provides information and resource to veterans new to the college assisting them in their transitions, while leading MCC Veterans in elevating the campus presence of those who have served in the military. He has spearheaded the campus wide Veterans Day Luncheon, and represented MCC at the National Student Veterans of America Conference. He has collaborated with KBD to fundraise for a local Veterans Charity, Chris' Pets for Vets providing comfort/companion shelter animals to Veterans free of charge. In addition to his college service, Jeremy uses his skills as a football referee to volunteer in his community during charity events and is an active member of the Marines of New Hampshire. Jeremy is engaging, inclusive, strong without dominating, a natural leader.



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