

ring an active-duty service obligation as a student of the University, and who is subsequently relieved of the active-duty service obligation before the completion of the obligation, the alternative obligations authorized by the amendment made by subsection (b) [amending this section] may be implemented by the Secretary of Defense with the agreement of the person.”

§ 2114a. Eligibility of members of foreign militaries to enroll in the University

(a) **AUTHORITY.**—(1) The Secretary of Defense may permit an individual who is a member of the military of a foreign country—

(A) to enroll (including as a full-time student) and receive instruction—

- (i) as a medical student of the University; or
- (ii) in a postdoctoral, postgraduate, or certificate program of the University; and

(B) to participate in training exercises of the University.

(2) Enrollment of an individual under this section—

(A) shall be subject to—

- (i) the academic capacity of the University described in section 2112(b) of this title; and
- (ii) an international agreement or qualifying non-binding instrument (as such terms are defined in section 112b of title 1); and

(B) may not decrease the number of members of the uniformed services enrolled in the University; and

(C) may not be given priority over the enrollment of a member of the uniformed services.

(3) The number of individuals simultaneously enrolled under this section may not exceed—

(A) 10, in the case of medical students of the University; and

(B) 40, with regards to all postdoctoral, postgraduate, and certificate programs of the University.

(b) **QUALIFICATIONS; SELECTION.**—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary may select an individual to enroll under this section—

(1) who was nominated for such enrollment by the medical command of the military of a foreign country; and

(2) pursuant to regulations prescribed by the Secretary regarding—

- (A) qualifications for such enrollment that are comparable to the qualifications required of a United States citizen; and
- (B) procedures for such selection.

(c) **REIMBURSEMENT.**—(1) The Secretary shall require the foreign country of an individual enrolled under this section to reimburse the United States for the cost of providing instruction to such individual.

(2) The Secretary shall prescribe rates for such reimbursement that equal or exceed the cost to the United States of providing such instruction to a member of the uniformed services.

(3) The Secretary may waive, in whole or in part, reimbursement with regards to an individual enrolled under this section.

(4) Amounts received by the Secretary under this subsection shall—

- (A) be used to defray the costs of providing instruction to an individual enrolled under this section;

(B) be credited to appropriations available for the maintenance and operation of the University; and

(C) remain available for until expended.

(5) The source and the disposition of such amounts shall be specifically identified in records of the University.

(d) **APPLICABILITY OF REGULATIONS AND POLICIES.**—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) through (4), and to the determination of the Secretary, an individual enrolled under this section shall be subject to the same regulations and policies that apply to a member of the uniformed services enrolled in the University.

(2) The Secretary may prescribe regulations regarding access to classified information by an individual enrolled under this section that differ from the regulations that apply to a member of the uniformed services enrolled in the University.

(3) An individual enrolled under this section shall not be entitled to an appointment in a uniformed service by reason of completing of a program of the University.

(4) Section 2114 of this title shall not apply to an individual enrolled under this section.

(Added Pub. L. 118-159, div. A, title V, § 553, Dec. 23, 2024, 138 Stat. 1894.)

§ 2115. Graduates: limitation on number permitted to perform civilian Federal service

The Secretary of Defense may allow not more than 20 percent of the graduates of each class at the University to perform civilian Federal service for not less than seven years following the completion of their professional education in lieu of active duty in a uniformed service if the needs of the uniformed services do not require that such graduates perform active duty in a uniformed service and as long as the Secretary of Defense does not recall such persons to active duty in the uniformed services. Such persons who execute an agreement in writing to perform such civilian Federal service may be released from active duty following the completion of their professional education. The location and type of their duty shall be determined by the Secretary of Defense after consultation with the heads of Federal agencies concerned.

(Added Pub. L. 92-426, § 2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 716; amended Pub. L. 96-107, title VIII, § 803(c)(1), (2), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 812.)

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AMENDMENTS

1979—Pub. L. 96-107, § 803(c)(2), substituted “permitted” for “electing” and “service” for “duty” in section catchline.

Pub. L. 96-107, § 803(c)(1), substituted provisions respecting authority of the Secretary of Defense to allow graduates to perform civilian Federal service and the execution of agreements for such service as prerequisites for release from active duty following completion of education, for provisions relating to limitations on the number of graduates electing to perform civilian Federal duty, agreements respecting such service, and release from active duty upon completion of their education.

§ 2116. Military nursing research

(a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) The term “military nursing research” means research on the furnishing of care and services by nurses in the armed forces.

(2) The term “TriService Nursing Research Program” means the program of military nursing research authorized under this section.

(b) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of Defense may establish at the University a program of military nursing research.

(c) TRISERVICE RESEARCH GROUP.—The TriService Nursing Research Program shall be administered by a TriService Nursing Research Group composed of Army, Navy, and Air Force nurses who are involved in military nursing research and are designated by the Secretary concerned to serve as members of the group.

(d) DUTIES OF GROUP.—The TriService Nursing Research Group shall—

(1) develop for the Department of Defense recommended guidelines for requesting, reviewing, and funding proposed military nursing research projects; and

(2) make available to Army, Navy, and Air Force nurses and Department of Defense officials concerned with military nursing research—

(A) information about nursing research projects that are being developed or carried out in the Army, Navy, and Air Force; and

(B) expertise and information beneficial to the encouragement of meaningful nursing research.

(e) RESEARCH TOPICS.—For purposes of this section, military nursing research includes research on the following issues:

(1) Issues regarding how to improve the results of nursing care and services provided in the armed forces in time of peace.

(2) Issues regarding how to improve the results of nursing care and services provided in the armed forces in time of war.

(3) Issues regarding how to prevent complications associated with battle injuries.

(4) Issues regarding how to prevent complications associated with the transporting of patients in the military medical evacuation system.

(5) Issues regarding how to improve methods of training nursing personnel.

(6) Clinical nursing issues, including such issues as prevention and treatment of child abuse and spouse abuse.

(7) Women’s health issues.

(8) Wellness issues.

(9) Preventive medicine issues.

(10) Home care management issues.

(11) Case management issues.

(Added Pub. L. 104–106, div. A, title VII, §741(a), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 384.)

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2116, added Pub. L. 92–426, §2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 716, directed Secretary of Defense to report periodically to Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives on feasibility of establishing educational institutions similar or identical to University at any other locations he

deemed appropriate, with last such report to be submitted by June 30, 1976, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 98–94, title XII, § 1268(12)(A), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 706.

[§ 2117. Repealed. Pub. L. 111–84, div. A, title V, § 525(a)(1), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2286]

Section, added Pub. L. 110–181, div. A, title IX, §955(g)(1), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 295, authorized Secretary of Defense to establish a School of Nursing. See section 2169 of this title.

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2117, added Pub. L. 92–426, §2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 716, authorized appropriations for the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title XIV, § 1484(b)(2)(A), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1716.

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1994—Pub. L. 103–337, div. A, title XVI, § 1663(c)(7)(A), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 3008, redesignated item for subchapter III as item for subchapter II and struck out former item for subchapter II “Health Professions Stipend Program for Reserve Service”.

1989—Pub. L. 101–189, div. A, title VII, §§707(b), 725(h)(3), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1475, 1480, substituted “and Financial Assistance Program” for “Program” in item for subchapter I and added item for subchapter III.

1987—Pub. L. 100–180, div. A, title VII, §711(a)(1), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1108, substituted “FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS” for “SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM” in chapter heading, and added subchapter analysis, consisting of subchapters I and II.

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2008—Pub. L. 110–181, div. A, title VI, §623(b), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 152, added item 2128.

1989—Pub. L. 101–189, div. A, title VII, §725(d)(3), (h)(2), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1479, 1480, substituted “AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM” for “PROGRAM” in subchapter heading and “Scholarships