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Summary of Change

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Changed the High School Scholarship Program application deadline to 4 March.

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Added Paragraph 8-3a(7)(e)

Removed Paragraph 8-3a(8)(g)

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Removed Paragraph 8-3b(6) **Summer Language Hub Program**

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Removed Paragraph 9-3d

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Chapter 1 -- Army ROTC Scholarship Program

1-1. Purpose.

This regulation prescribes policies and general procedures for administering the Army ROTC Incentives Programs.

1-2. References.

[Appendix A](#) lists the references used in this publication.

1-3. Explanation of Abbreviations and Terms.

The glossary contains abbreviations and explanations of special terms used in this regulation.

1-4. Responsibilities.

a. The Commander, USACC will:

- (1) Adhere to responsibilities as stated in **AR 145-1**.
- (2) Establish policy and procedures for the Army ROTC Incentives Program.
- (3) Develop and distribute a marketing awareness campaign on scholarships and incentives programs.
- (4) Publish annual scholarship benefit packages.
- (5) Publish scholarship application packets.
- (6) Publish incentives packages.
- (7) Manage the Army ROTC scholarship budget.
- (8) Manage the Army ROTC incentives budget.

b. Brigade commanders will:

- (1) Assist and monitor SROTC Programs in understanding all incentives programs.
- (2) Manage the Brigade's scholarship funds.
- (3) Execute a balanced scholarship budget, expending all funds IAW regulatory and policy guidance.
- (4) Monitor the scholarship offer process.

(5) Ensure the Brigade Nurse Counselor (BNC) screens all nursing scholarship applicants. The BNC will then make recommendations to the Brigade commander.

(6) Adhere to policy in this regulation and procedures in **USACC Pam 145-1**.

c. Professors of Military Science (PMS) will:

(1) Ensure compliance with policy in this regulation and procedures published in **USACC Pam 145-1**.

(2) Ensure all scholarship applicants and recipients are eligible IAW this and other applicable regulations.

(3) Ensure all incentives applicants and recipients are eligible IAW this and other applicable regulations.

(4) Execute scholarship allocations/funds by mission set to ensure achievement of commission mission while remaining within budget limits.

(5) Ensure students remain academically aligned.

(6) Ensure that only allowable costs are submitted for payment of scholarship benefits and/or incentives.

(7) Establish a scholarship alternate list for each mission set.

(8) Conduct the interviews with scholarship applicants IAW **USACC Pam 145-1**.

(9) Ensure that Cadre with family members or close relatives applying for any Army Incentives are divorced from the process IAW **USACC Pam 145-1, Chapter 2-10b**.

Chapter 2 -- Army ROTC Scholarship Program

2-1. Concept

The Army ROTC Scholarship Program is designed to directly involve the PMS in awarding scholarships to Cadets who will attend one of the schools within the PMS's SROTC Program. Additionally, the program directly involves the Brigade by authorizing them to redistribute available scholarship funds within their command. The goal is to award the appropriate number of scholarships within available resources to meet commission mission at each echelon of command, while ensuring the SROTC Program maintains quality.

2-2. Policy.

a. Execute to the budget. Commanders will ensure scholarship dollars are available before requesting offers. Do not take any financial risks. Brigade and SROTC Program's scholarship budgets do not include:

- (1) Nurses
- (2) Green to Gold
- (3) Guaranteed Reserve Force Duty (GRFD) Scholarships
- (4) Special Scholarships (Language, STEM, Urban)

b. Manage by mission set. Manage the Brigade and SROTC Program scholarship budgets by tracking the profile of each mission set. Use scholarship resources to establish and maintain the proper glide path to meet the Army's needs. The Brigades and SROTC Programs should place primary emphasis on the near-term mission sets.

c. Monitor offers closely. Commanders and PMSs must adhere to the scholarship offer window. If an applicant has not accepted a scholarship offer within established suspense dates, the SROTC Program should immediately withdraw the offer.

d. Database Maintenance. Keep the database current. Tracking and forecasting execution of the scholarship budget is a complicated task and depends entirely upon data over which the field has complete control.

(1) Campus Based Market. The SROTC Program Cadre must update Cadet Command Information Management Module (CCIMM) Student/Cadet Information module within five days when the status of on-campus applicants or enrolled Cadets changes.

(2) High School Market. The SROTC Program Cadre must inform Headquarters, Cadet Command (HQ USACC) within five days of updates required in the CCIMM Scholarship Processing module.

e. Restrict scholarship benefit exceptions.

(1) PMS' must use **USACC Form 104-R** to place scholarship Cadets in the proper mission set and award the proper type of scholarship. Cadet enrollment in the corresponding Military Science (MS) course is essential because payment of scholarship benefits automatically stops after completion of MS IV; this will reduce migration and the need for extensions. The only exceptions should be reasons beyond the Cadet's ability to control such as 5-year programs, or mandatory summer terms.

(a) The purpose of the **USACC Form 104-R** is to provide the correct length of scholarship to ensure academic and military alignment so benefits end at the same time a Cadet is commissioned. This form allows for the accurate projection of costs and commissions and provides an upfront agreement with the Cadet.

(b) For scholarship payment purposes, the normal academic year begins with the fall term (**First Day of Fall**) and ends with the spring term (**Last Day of Spring** including last day of exams). Interim sessions, which fall between Start Date Fall and Last Day Spring term, will be considered as part of the annual awarded scholarship.

(c) Summer term(s) is not part of the academic school year per **USC Title 10, Section 2107 and 2107a**. Therefore, summer cannot be programmed as such. Summer term(s) cannot be projected unless the university requires mandatory summer term(s) as documented in the degree program catalog.

(2) Conditional scholarship offers may not be made to an individual to begin in the same term as the offer being made. This will allow sufficient time for the applicant to meet all eligibility requirements and eliminate most retroactive benefits. If a student becomes eligible (e.g. medically qualified, all administrative conditions met, valid fitness test, and meets HT/WT) to contract a term earlier and Brigade budget can support, upgrades can be approved on a case-by-case basis.

(a) Conditional offers for fall term can be made between **16 DEC** and **1 SEPT** prior to the beginning of the fall term.

(b) Conditional offers for spring term can be made between **1 SEPT** and **1 DEC** prior to the beginning of the spring term.

2-3. Army ROTC Scholarship Types.

Applicants for these programs must meet all eligibility requirements IAW [Paragraph 2-4](#) below.

a. National Scholarship Program.

(1) The High School Scholarship Program consists of 4-year, 3-year Advanced Designee, and 2-year MJC scholarships.

(a) Applications are received at the national level, screened for eligibility, and released to PMS' to interview. Application window is **12 June** (after student's junior year) – **4 March** (student's senior year).

(b) Applicants expressing interest after the deadline should be processed as on-campus applicants in CCIMM after 4 March of their senior year.

(2) Green to Gold Scholarship Program. See [Chapter 4](#) of this publication and **USACC Reg 145-6** for more information.

(a) The Green to Gold Scholarship Program consists of 4-year, 3-year, and 2-year scholarships given to Soldiers currently on active duty with an ETS date past **30 June** prior to fall college attendance.

(b) Applications are received at the national level, screened for eligibility, and boarded by Army officers for selection of the winners. The application deadline for Green to Gold Scholarships is the last Friday in November. The submission deadline for Green to Gold Hip Pocket Scholarships is **1 April**.

b. Campus Based Scholarship Program.

(1) College Scholarship Program consists of 4-year, 3.5-year, 3-year Advanced Designees, 3-year, 2.5-year, 2-year Basic Camp, 2-year Advanced Designees, 2-year undergraduate degree scholarships, and 2-year graduate degree scholarships. Scholarships cannot be awarded to students with academic plans that cross from undergraduate to graduate programs IAW **Title 10 USC § 2107**.

(a) Applicants for this program, who are not interested in the GRFD contract and are currently drilling in an Army National Guard (ARNG) or U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) unit, must be released from that unit prior to signing the ROTC contract. Every effort must be made to ensure that drill pay and payment of ROTC stipend do not cross unless the individual is on a GRFD Scholarship.

(b) SROTC Programs receive applications any time during the school year.

(2) Two-Year Graduate Degree Program. This program provides a 2-year scholarship for pursuit of a graduate degree. A graduate degree scholarship is a 2-year scholarship for which no extension of benefits can be approved. This program is limited to **20 months** of payment by law (**Title 10 USC § 2107**). Applicants requiring more than two complete academic years for completion of a graduate degree are not eligible for these scholarships.

(a) There are 3 categories of applicants. Any category may apply if they meet all eligibility requirements as stated in [Paragraph 2-4](#) below:

- Applicants already possessing a baccalaureate degree.
- Seniors in college with a letter of acceptance to a graduate program.
- Current graduate program participants with 2 years remaining.

(b) SROTC Programs must inform individuals in professional programs (i.e. law, medical) there is no guarantee for branching in these professional areas.

(c) Two-year scholarships are available for students who hold a Bachelor of Science and wish to pursue a Bachelor of Science to Master of Science in Nursing (BS to MSN) degree to become a general practice Registered Nurse. An agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and accepted by the Department of the Army must accredit the BS to MSN program.

- Validation of acceptable graduate degree programs is coordinated with the respective Deputy Command Nurse.
 - The SROTC Program should send the catalog description of the program and desired degree to the Deputy Command Nurse as soon as a prospect expresses an interest in ROTC.
 - Prospects who hold a BSN and a Registered Nurse license who wish to obtain a graduate degree in a specialty nursing area should speak to the BNC or the Deputy Command Nurse about other commissioning sources and Active Duty educational programs.

(3) **Ike Skelton Early Commissioning Program (ECP).** All scholarships awarded at an MJC for use in the ECP will be considered "Ike Skelton" Scholarships. Applicants applying for this scholarship at an MJC are not required to declare an academic major. See [Paragraph 10-6](#) for more information.

(4) **GRFD Scholarship Program.** This program consists of 4 types of GRFD scholarships: GRFD Dedicated ARNG, GRFD Dedicated USAR, GRFD-ARNG, and GRFD-USAR. See [Paragraph 10-5](#) for more information.

2-4. Scholarship Eligibility.

For scholarship consideration, students must meet the requirements in **AR 145-1, Ch. 6** and in this section. Additional information is contained in **USACC Pam 145-1**.

a. Citizenship.

(1) Scholarship applicants must be U.S. Citizens or U.S. Nationals prior to contracting as a scholarship Cadet. This is a statutory requirement. No waivers/exceptions are authorized. "U.S. Nationals" are persons born in American Samoa and Swains Island.

(2) Students who hold dual citizenship must be advised that when requested, they will be required to provide a statement to the OPM investigator, or the adjudicative authority, expressing their willingness to renounce dual citizenship. Failure to do so may result in denial of a security clearance, which is a prerequisite for commissioning, and will result in disenrollment.

b. Age.

(1) Scholarship applicants must be at least **17** years of age within the first semester in which the scholarship is to begin benefits. Students cannot contract until they have reached their 17th birthday. Students under the age of 18 years old at the time of contracting require parental consent IAW **AR 145-1 para 4-3a**.

(2) Scholarship applicants must be **under 31** years in the *calendar* year in which they are to be commissioned. This age limit is determined by law; therefore, it is non waivable. **Example:** A MS25 applicant will be 30 years old in May 2025 at the time of graduation and commissioning. However, because the applicant turns 31 years old in November 2025, the applicant would be ineligible for a scholarship.

c. Academic Status. Scholarship applicants must be a high school graduate or possess an equivalent certificate before 1 September of the award year.

d. SAT/ACT Requirements.

(1) College Board scores (SAT/ACT) will be used to establish eligibility for applicants for 4-year, 3-year AD, 4-year G2G, and 2-year MJC scholarships. Students, with the exception of 4-year G2G, who have established at least one full-time (at least 12 credit hours) term with a qualifying College CGPA will not be required to have an SAT/ACT Score. For SMP requirements, see AR 601-210.

(2) When more than one set of SAT/ACT scores are available, the highest individual area scores will be used. For SAT, the highest Math score and the highest Evidence Based Reading & Writing score will be used. For ACT, the highest English, Math, Reading, and Science scores will be used.

(3) Cadet Command is the waiver approval authority for missing SAT/ACT scores for the High School and College Scholarship Program. Waivers will not be processed for students who have not taken a SAT/ACT test.

(4) Schools may use the residual SAT/ACT tests given by their institution; however, that SAT/ACT score is only valid for that student for attendance at that particular institution.

(5) SAT/ACT scores are required for applicants even if the university the applicant is attending does not require the SAT/ACT scores for admission.

(6) The SAT Subject Tests are special tests that individuals take upon request. HQ USACC does not use, nor accept, the SAT Subject Tests. Only the Evidence Based Reading & Writing and Math are used.

e. Grade Point Average (GPA).

(1) The high school unweighted GPA is used for four-year applicants and two-year MJC applicants. All others use the college GPA. The required High School unweighted cumulative GPA for all High School applicants is 2.5.

(2) The required CGPA and current GPA for scholarship consideration are 2.5 for students who have already established a college GPA from at least one full term of college.

(3) A minimum 2.5 academic current and CGPA are required for the scholarship at the time of application. The applicant also must maintain the required 2.5 CGPA before contracting.

(4) Waivers may be considered for insufficient GPAs. CGPA waivers for scholarship awards and contracting must be substantiated with other academic achievements.

(a) Brigade Commanders is the approval authority for on-campus GPA waivers down to 2.0.

(b) HQ Cadet Command is the approval authority for any GPA waivers below 2.0 for on-campus applicants.

(c) Cadet Command is the waiver approval authority for insufficient GPA for the Green to Gold and National High School Scholarship Programs applicants.

(5) ROTC GPA is used for enrolled Cadets only. A minimum ROTC CGPA of 3.0 is required for scholarship consideration. This is an eligibility requirement.

f. Medical Qualification.

(1) Scholarship applicants must successfully pass a medical examination reviewed by the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DODMERB) or be granted a medical waiver by HQ USACC (**DOD Dir 1215.08**). Procedures are outlined in [Appendix A](#), reference R (located on DODMERB document site (<https://dodmerb.tricare.osd.mil/default.aspx>)). Students may be contracted after two consecutive days of qualified status on the DODMERB website.

(2) Applicants should have completed the entire physical process within six months of their initial physical. If after six months, the Cadet is not qualified, the PMS may extend the medical determination for 30 days. Holding a scholarship after the seven-month period requires approval by HQ USACC. High school applicants who arrive on campus not already medically qualified must be screened to determine when their physical was taken, and appropriate action initiated immediately.

(3) DODMERB Physicals.

(a) National High School Scholarship applicants will be scheduled for the physical when a scholarship offer is posted.

(b) SROTC Programs will schedule On-Campus scholarship applicants for the physical once an initial screen has been conducted and the **USACC Form 139-R** completed reflecting eligibility. This will ensure eligibility determination prior to enrollment as a scholarship Cadet and prevent erroneous conditional enrollments.

(c) There are no conditional scholarship contracts.

(d) SROTC Programs will not schedule interested prospects for DODMERB physicals who exceed **AR 40-501** standards by 50 lbs or more.

(e) In the case of collegiate level athletes, **AR 600-9** body fat measurements may be used at the discretion of the PMS. If the prospect meets taping requirements, they may be sent for a DODMERB physical examination.

g. Weight/Body Fat Standards.

(1) Applicants with any prior service, active or reserve, must pass the height, weight, and body fat percentage standards IAW **AR 600-9**.

(2) Applicants with no prior service must pass the height, weight, and body fat percentage standards IAW **AR 40-501**.

h. Physical Aptitude. Assessment of the physical conditioning for scholarship applicants will be accomplished in the following manner:

(1) The ROTC Physical Fitness Assessment (PFA) is used for high school applicants. The Incentives Division will coordinate with the applicants and their high school to have the PFA conducted. Results will be recorded in the CCIMM and viewable by the PMS.

(2) The PFA consists of three events: one minute of push-ups, one minute of curl-ups, and a one-mile run. This serves as an initial physical assessment for the applicants.

(3) PMS' who choose to conduct an assessment are not personally liable in case of injury. If an applicant is injured during the assessment, they may file a claim under the Federal Tort Claims Act. Cadre members may assist injured applicants in obtaining claims forms and providing the address of the appropriate claims office but are prohibited from becoming advocates for the claimant. Any questions regarding a claim should be referred to the Claims Office.

(4) All scholarship applicants must successfully complete the Army's current fitness standard at the minimum level prior to contracting. Failure to do so may result in the withdrawal of scholarship.

(a) Freshmen must successfully complete the Army's current fitness standard at the published minimum standard **prior to 15 DEC**. If the scholarship applicant does not pass the Army's current fitness standard at the published minimum standard by **15 DEC** of their Freshman year, the offer will be withdrawn. If the Army's current fitness standard is not successfully completed by this date, the Brigade Commander can request that the scholarship applicant retain the scholarship. HQCC is the approval authority for retention of high school scholarship offers. All other scholarship applicants must complete the current Army fitness standard at the published minimum standard prior to contracting.

(b) For scholarships to begin in the spring, the applicants must successfully complete the Army's current fitness standard at the published minimum level **prior to 15 April**.

(c) In order to continue receiving scholarship benefits, contracted Cadets must pass the Army's current fitness standard during all subsequent fitness tests.

i. Character.

(1) Scholarship applicants must not have moral obligations or personal convictions that will prevent them from:

(a) Supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

(b) Conscientiously bearing arms.

(2) Scholarship applicants must satisfactorily explain any record of civil conviction. The eligibility requirements are specifically addressed in **AR 145-1, Para 4-13 and 4-14**.

j. Academic Discipline.

(1) Scholarship applicants must agree to enroll in one of the approved baccalaureate degree producing programs listed in **USACC Pam 145-1**. Emphasis within the scholarship process will be placed on STEM disciplines i.e., engineering, physical science, and nursing. See [Paragraph 8-3c](#) for change of major.

(a) Recipients of engineering scholarships must enroll in an accredited engineering school, as appropriate, in the fall of the award year.

(b) Recipients of 4-year nursing scholarships must enroll in schools of nursing accredited by an agency approved by the Secretary of Education.

(c) Recipients of Language scholarships (when available) must enroll in schools with a language program accredited by an agency approved by the Secretary of Education.

(2) All scholarship students must be enrolled in military science courses to be entitled to payment for that term. All scholarship students must be enrolled and remain enrolled full-time to receive scholarship benefits with the exception of their final term as an MS IV. Cadets who are academically and militarily aligned to complete degree requirements and commission may be paid scholarship benefits for the last term while in less than full-time status. See **USACC Pam 145-1** for more details.

k. Enrollment Status.

(1) Students on ROTC Scholarships must be enrolled and attending full-time (not Summer or inter-sessions) with 50% of the total curriculum (number of classes not credit hours) in traditional class-room settings during the term unless enrolled in the final Military Science Advanced Course class of their last term. See [Paragraph 8-2c.](#)

(2) Students on ROTC scholarships must be enrolled in military science (or a military science filler course) to be paid benefits.

(3) Applicants must be enrolled in 4-year baccalaureate degree producing colleges or universities or those schools approved under the Cadet Command formal linkage program outlined in **USACC Pam 145-1**. The formal linkage program is only open for 3.5, 3, 2.5, and 2-year Advanced Designee scholarships.

I. Selection Points.

(1) On campus scholarship applicants must score at least 60 selection points under the Whole Person Scoring system outlined in **USACC Pam 145-1**.

(2) High school scholarship applicants' Whole Person Score is based on a 1400-point scale. The whole person score cut-off for scholarships is based on available funding and available applicant base.

2-5. Students Ineligible to Compete for a Scholarship.

a. Ineligibility. Students who fall under one of the following categories are ineligible to compete for or receive benefits from an Army ROTC scholarship:

(1) ROTC Disenrollment. Previous 2- and 3-year contracted scholarship winners who were disenrolled for any reason. Previous four-year contracted scholarship winners who were disenrolled after entering MS II are ineligible to compete for another scholarship until they enter the advanced course and are eligible for a 2-year scholarship.

(2) MJC contracted scholarship Cadets. Contracted scholarship Cadets at a military junior college may not compete for any other type of scholarship.

(3) Non-citizens (if citizenship will not be obtained prior to fall enrollment). U.S. Nationals are considered citizens of the U.S for purposes of Army ROTC (contracting only).

(4) Conscientious Objectors (as defined in **AR 600-43**).

(5) Civil Conviction. A student who has an adverse juvenile adjudication or who has been arrested, indicted, and convicted by a civil court or military law for other than minor traffic violations (for which a fine or forfeiture of \$500 or higher was imposed) unless a waiver is granted. The applicant must submit a request for waiver of convictions at the time of scholarship application and award of a scholarship will remain conditional until any required waiver is approved. See **AR 145-1 para 4-14** and **USACC Pam 145-4 para 4-9**.

(6) Loyalty. A student who fails to satisfy loyalty requirements.

(7) Medically Disqualified. A student with a known disqualifying medical condition, unless proper authority approved a medical waiver IAW USACC Pam 145-4.

(8) Discharged from the Armed Forces. A student who has been discharged from any branch of the Armed Forces with a non-waiverable disqualifying reenlistment code or with one of the following types of discharge:

(a) Dishonorable.

(b) Bad conduct.

(c) Undesirable.

(d) Discharge under other than honorable conditions.

(e) General or honorable if the reason and authority for separation preclude reentry into military service under **AR 601-210** without a waiver. Brigade commanders may approve waivers involving a Chapter 16 discharge to participate in SROTC, hardship, or compassionate cases provided the student was separated with a waivable RE Code as stated in AR 601-210. All other applications for waiver of a disqualifying reenlistment code will be submitted IAW **USACC Pam 145-4 para 4-12a**.

(9) Pregnant Students. Pregnant students are eligible to compete for scholarships. Students must be medically qualified at the time of contracting. Pregnancy is a temporary medical disqualification. All applicants must meet dependency requirements (**AR 145-1**, Chapter 3) before contracting. Cadets who become pregnant after contracting will not be involuntarily disenrolled solely because of pregnancy.

(10) Current or Former commissioned officers. Students who are commissioned officers, former officers, or who have a certificate of eligibility for appointment as a commissioned officer.

(11) Active Federal Service. Students who will have 10 years or more of AFS at the time of commissioning must request a waiver. See USACC Pam 145-4 for waiver procedures.

(12) Former Cadets. Students who have already completed undergraduate degree requirements under the Army SROTC program are ineligible. **Note:** This only applies to students who received their first undergraduate degree at the expense of Army ROTC. If the student earned an undergraduate degree by other means, the student is eligible to apply for a 2-year scholarship.

(13) Non-Scholarship Contracted Cadets. Exceptions to policy may be considered for award of retention scholarships.

(14) Domestic Violence Conviction. Students convicted of domestic violence.

(15) Students participating in the SMP (except as GRFD scholarship recipients).

(16) Students at community colleges (except those approved in the Formal Linkage Program, which only allows 2-year and 3-year scholarships).

(17) West Point Preparatory Scholarship Program. Students participating in the West Point Preparatory Scholarship Program are ineligible.

(18) One year of college remaining. Students who only have one year remaining to obtain their baccalaureate degree are ineligible.

b. Students Eligible to Recompete.

(1) Previous 4-year contracted winners whose scholarship terminated/disenrolled during their freshman year may compete for a scholarship during their sophomore year.

(a) The correct length of scholarship will be determined using **USACC Form 104-R** to ensure academic and military alignment is maintained.

(b) Scholarship may not be used during their Sophomore year. Scholarship would start during their Junior year.

(2) Scholarship applicants who did not win a scholarship or were unable to contract (including 3-year Advance Designees) may re-compete.

2-6. Financial Policy.

a. Payment of Scholarship Benefits. To receive payment of scholarship benefits, Cadets are responsible for uploading their Cadet Payment Request (CPR) through the current approved Army Cadet scholarship pay system. PMS' are responsible for validating scholarship benefit payments for academic instruction to scholarship Cadets.

(1) Following award of an ROTC scholarship and completion of enrollment procedures set forth in **AR 145-1**, an ROTC scholarship Cadet will have payments processed upon contracting. Student must remain in an active full-time enrolled status in the subsequent terms of that academic year to receive scholarship benefits.

(2) Scholarship benefit payments for students who are not enrolled full-time are processed as follows:

(a) The Cadet must be enrolled in the final Military Science Advanced Course Class of the last term to be eligible.

(b) Scholarship benefit payment will be made when the university charges by individual credit hours.

(c) When the university charges a flat rate, the Cadet is required to enroll in a full-time status or scholarship benefits will not be paid.

(3) Scholarship recipients are required to make a choice each term of whether their benefits will cover (full) tuition and allowable fees or room and board. Cadets electing the room and board option must be counseled that this option will not include any fees to include graduation fees.

(4) Scholarship benefits can be paid for Cadets attending approved courses at schools other than those in which they are enrolled in ROTC provided:

(a) The courses are not offered at their academic school.

(b) That such courses are a prerequisite for graduation.

(c) An agreement is in place prior to taking courses at a school where a Cadet is not enrolled.

(5) Payment Terms.

(a) Fall term. If the Fall term ends prior to **15 DEC** and the Cadet contracts between end of Fall term and **15 DEC**, they are entitled to Fall benefits; process IAW **USACC Pam 145-1, Chapter 2-4**. Cadets have until the end of the Fall term or 15 DEC, whichever occurs last, to contract.

(b) Quarter/Spring Term. Cadets have until the end of the Quarter/Spring term to contract to receive benefits for that term. If the Cadet contracts after the last day of the term, the school will need to submit a request for retroactive benefits. See [Paragraph 8-3](#).

b. Tuition/Fees. Up to full tuition and mandatory educational fees will be paid for based on the number of terms as determined by the **USACC Form 104-R** at the time of contracting as a scholarship Cadet. **USACC Pam 145-1 (Appendix C)** lists reimbursable and non-reimbursable fees.

(1) Up to full tuition & mandatory educational fees (or \$12K flat rate for room & board) will be paid for the number of academic terms listed on the contracting USACC Form 104-R.

(2) Interim sessions falling within the normal academic year (first day fall – last day spring, including exams) will be paid within the annual tuition amount. Summer sessions are not covered. See extension of benefits in [Chapter 8](#).

(3) HQ USACC approved summer school sessions will be paid in addition to tuition and mandatory fees for the school year. Benefits will be capped and published annually by HQ USACC with a flat rate book payment also established annually (**USACC Pam 145-1**). See [Paragraph 8-3b](#).

(a) Stipend will be paid a flat rate of \$420/month (Currently).

(b) Benefits will be paid based on the current school year scholarship payment election (i.e. tuition and fees or room and board).

(4) Excess credit hours/semester overloads. Course overloads and excess credit hours may be paid within a Cadet's individual benefit limit as long as:

(a) Course overloads or credits aid the Cadet in staying academically aligned.

(b) They are required for degree completion and prevent a request for extension of benefits or summer school.

(5) Repeat Classes. Cadets may use scholarship funds to pay for repeat classes. However, if the number of repeat classes causes a delay in the graduation or commissioning date, the Cadet is subject to disenrollment for failure to make satisfactory progress towards his degree IAW paragraph 2c of the **DA Form 597-3** Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Scholarship Cadet Contract. See USACC Pam 145-4 for disenrollment procedures. Additionally, Cadets who repeat classes are ineligible for extension of scholarship benefits.

(6) Fees. Three rules generally apply for payment of fees:

(a) Rule 1. If the fee applies to all students, all the time, every year, it is payable. Mandatory educational fees are those fees charged to all students attending the school.

(b) Rule 2. If the fee is connected to a specific course that is required for degree completion in the Cadets' major or the fee is required for attendance at that college/university, it is payable. The class must be specifically required for degree completion and not a free elective.

(c) Rule 3. Any fee listed as an optional fee in the school catalog is capped at \$100 per course. Any amount that exceeds that cap is the responsibility of the Cadet. Optional means that the Cadet need not incur the fee for degree completion.

- A fee associated with a required course is payable.

- A fee associated with an elective course that is not specifically listed as a requirement for completion of that degree or major is capped at \$100 per course. Anything that exceeds that cap is the responsibility of the Cadet. The cost of the *course* is covered by the Cadet's scholarship, but the *fee* is capped at \$100. See **USACC Pam 145-1 Chapter. 2-4f.**

(d) Health fees. Will be paid if all students are required to purchase the school's health insurance. Payment of health fees not required to be purchased by the school will be paid up to a \$1,000 cap where health insurance is not mandatory. Students may opt whether to purchase the school policy or an independent policy.

(e) Veteran's Administration. Covers health related fees for ROTC Cadets, and those who are applicants to the program for serious injuries (permanent in nature) when participating in ROTC activities.

(f) Workman's Compensation. Covers health related fees for ROTC Cadets, and those who are applicants to the program for less serious injuries (temporary in nature) when participating in ROTC activities.

(g) Flight fees. (Actual flying hours related to any degree) required by any academic discipline will not be paid unless Congress appropriates specific funding for flight training.

(7) Scholarship funds will not be used to pay identifiable fees that directly result in purchase of laptop computers, cellular phones, personal digital assistants, and other automated equipment. However, if the tuition includes purchase of automated equipment, which cannot be identified as a separate fee, then scholarship funds may be used to pay for the automated equipment as an integrated portion of the tuition. Any automated equipment that is received by the Cadet is the property of the Cadet (IAW university procedures) and is not the property of Cadet Command.

c. Room and Board. Cadets may choose for the scholarship benefits to be applied toward their room and board costs. The Cadet makes this election each term in the Army's approved Cadet scholarship pay system. A flat rate of \$12,000 annually is paid for room and board costs. The amounts are paid directly to the Cadet -- \$6,000 per semester term or \$4,000 per quarter term.

(1) If the scholarship money is used towards Room and Board, State (if applicable for ARNG) Tuition Assistance may be available to use in conjunction with Scholarship money to pay for tuition.

(2) FTA may not be used in conjunction with an ROTC scholarship.

d. Book Stipend. A "flat rate" fee will be paid for books, supplies, and equipment as published annually by HQ USACC. This is in addition to the tuition & fees or room & board option.

e. Subsistence Allowance. All contracted Cadets are authorized a flat rate monthly stipend of \$420 (Currently).

(1) The subsistence allowance will begin on the date that the Cadet signs the ROTC scholarship contract. The backdating of contracts to receive additional stipend constitutes falsifying an official government contract.

(2) The stipend will continue until the Cadet has met all requirements for commissioning or has been disenrolled, except as provided below or by other law, regulation, or directive.

(3) MS I or II Cadets receive stipend for no more than 10 months of the academic year or the actual duration of the academic year, whichever is shorter.

(4) MS III (through MS IV year) Cadets receive stipend allowance for no more than 20 months of the academic year or the actual duration of the academic year .

(5) MS V Cadets receive up to 10 months stipend, which continues after completion of the MS IV year.

(6) MS VI and Completion Cadets receive no stipend.

(7) Advanced course ROTC Cadets (to include MS V) and basic course scholarship Cadets must be enrolled in ROTC (or correspondence ROTC Training if off-campus) to receive any scholarship benefits or stipend.

(8) A Cadet on Leave of Absence (LOA) does not receive stipend.

(9) Scholarship Cadets are not entitled to retroactive stipend.

f. Travel Reimbursement.

(1) The Cadets listed below are authorized one time travel entitlements from their home of record to the school for the purpose of enlisting in the USAR Control Group (ROTC) and to obtain the academic degree shown in the contract. (See Joint Travel Regulation (JTR) and AR 145-1).

(a) 4-year scholarship Cadets attending school for the first time.

(b) Green to Gold scholarship Cadets attending school for the first time.

(c) MJC scholarship Cadets attending the MJC for the first time.

(2) Only Cadets who travel to the school to enter into a scholarship contract may receive travel reimbursement. Cadets who apply for scholarships after enrolling in school cannot generally receive travel reimbursement for travel to such schools, because travel to the school was not for the purpose of entering into a scholarship contract.

(3) If the one-time travel entitlement is not used to enlist in the USAR Control Group (ROTC), then scholarship Cadets can use the travel allowance upon commissioning to travel to their home of record if:

(a) They are not immediately ordered to active duty.

(b) They are not remaining at the school either as a student or as a Gold Bar Recruiter.

g. Non-Reimbursable Items. The following items are non-reimbursable under the scholarship contract:

(1) Educational expenses incurred prior to the beginning of the scholarship.

(2) Remedial courses taken either for background enrichment or to make up a deficiency.

(3) Courses not required for the degree unless charges for such courses can be absorbed within the normal basic tuition charges during the academic year and will not extend graduation date.

(4) Courses required because of changes in academic majors when such courses cannot be completed within the number of academic years covered by the scholarship.

(5) Courses taken at a school other than that at which a Cadet is enrolled for ROTC training, except in the case of a Cadet selected for scholarship that is enrolled at a Partnership school. (**Exception:** *Approved summer tuition may be paid as described elsewhere within this regulation*).

(6) Nonresident courses, except Cadets at partnership schools may take extension courses from the host institution, provided the courses are not offered at the partnership school and are a prerequisite for graduation.

(7) Summer sessions, except as authorized by [Chapter 8](#).

(8) Travel, except as authorized by [Paragraph 2-6f](#) above.

(9) Penalties or fines for late registration when the fault of the Cadet.

(10) Charges for makeup examinations, violations of school rules, and the like.

(11) Personal fees, such as for laundry, clothes, grooming.

(12) Permits and fees associated with vehicle operation.

2-7. Eligibility for Contracting for Scholarship.

a. The PMS must ensure applicants continue to qualify for contracting immediately prior to contracting because there is often an appreciable time lapse between acceptance of the scholarship and contracting.

b. The PMS must ensure nurse applicants who are Licensed Practical Nurses or Registered Nurses complete a professional background check.

c. If an individual is designated as a scholarship recipient and is deployed as part of an U.S. Army operation prior to contracting, the PMS may submit an e-mail request to hold the scholarship in abeyance until individual returns and is otherwise qualified for contracting.

2-8. Mandatory Requirements for Contracted Scholarship Cadets.

a. **ROTC Training.** Scholarship Cadets will receive ROTC training on the same basis as non-scholarship Cadets. However, 3- or 4-year scholarship Cadets will not be required to undergo another medical examination or execute additional contracts for enrollment in the Advanced Course.

b. **Basic Camp.** Students requiring 2 or 2.5 years after Basic Camp may attend Basic Camp and validate a scholarship.

(1) Students enrolling in the Spring term prior to Basic Camp who require Basic Camp for basic course credit, may be contracted if all eligibility requirements are met except the basic course credit and be awarded either a 2- or 2.5-year scholarship.

(2) For Cadets attending Basic Camp, priority should be lateral entry Cadets. Students requiring 3 years to complete their degree must accelerate MS I and MS II or receive a Basic Course Credit waiver from the Brigade Commander authorizing them to enroll in the basic course following successful completion of Basic Camp.

(3) Scholarship recipients must successfully complete Basic Camp for placement in the advanced course.

c. Military Science Course. Each PMS should develop additional military science courses (Physical Fitness Course, Master Fitness Course, Historical Courses, Independent Study, Directed Study) for students who need more than four years to complete degree requirements. These courses may also be used to achieve academic alignment or for study abroad students. At a minimum, a full year of military science courses at the 200 level and the 400 level should be developed to improve academic alignment.

2-9. Publicity/Certificates.

a. Publicity Plan. Each Brigade must develop and execute a supporting publicity plan to assure dissemination to news media of information regarding scholarship winners.

b. Certificate Presentations. PMS' are responsible for presenting certificates to winners at an appropriate event, such as an awards ceremony. If this is not possible, certificates will be mailed to the scholarship winner.

c. Scholarship Certificates. Certificates will bear the signature of the CG, USACC.

2-10. Transfer of Scholarship Cadets.

a. Line Scholarship. Contracted scholarship Cadets may transfer to a school other than the one awarding the scholarship provided that:

(1) The gaining institution has available scholarship funds in the appropriate mission set. If funds are not available at the gaining institution, a transfer can still occur if the gaining Brigade has funds available to cover the entire cost of tuition, fees, and books.

(2) The transferring student will remain academically aligned (i.e. academic year group (freshman, sophomore, etc.) with corresponding military science year group.

(3) The transfer results in no change in the academic discipline pursued by the Cadet, unless approved by proper authority.

(4) The transferring student receives approval from both the gaining and losing PMS. Scholarship Cadets must be informed that individuals who lose academic credit due to a transfer of schools will not be considered for extension of scholarship benefits.

(5) If the Cadet is requesting to transfer to a school within the same Brigade, a request to transfer is actioned at the Brigade level. If the Brigade cannot fund the transfer, a request with the Brigade Commander's endorsement can be submitted to HQ USACC via e-mail to your appropriate Scholarship Program Manager.

(6) If the Cadet is requesting to transfer to a school in another Brigade, the request is sent through the Brigade to HQ USACC to the appropriate Scholarship Program Manager.

(7) Transfer requests must be submitted to HQCC for consideration NLT **1 June** for the Fall term and **1 DEC** for the Spring term IAW procedures in the **USACC Pam 145-1**.

b. Ineligible. Transfer of Scholarship recipients into or out of the Ike Skelton ECP is prohibited by law.

2-11. Military Service Obligation.

a. All scholarship winners who contract will be required to sign a contract, which obligates them to a military service obligation (MSO) for a period of eight years.

b. This obligation will be fulfilled in several ways.

(1) If selected for active duty, the lieutenant will serve a minimum of four years followed by service in the ARNG, USAR, or the IRR for the remaining four years.

(2) If selected for reserve duty, the lieutenant will serve eight years in the selected reserve, i.e., an ARNG unit or a USAR Troop Program Unit.

Chapter 3 -- Civilian Sponsored Scholarship Programs

3-1. Concept.

a. Private and institutional scholarships provide critical support for Army ROTC Cadets and help further the bond between American society and the Army. The Civilian Sponsored Scholarship Programs (CSSP) link the private sector with Army ROTC Cadets who have performed at the highest levels. CSSP is a dual effort between HQ USACC and volunteer civilian organizations to recognize and reward stellar Cadet performance.

b. HQCC provides administrative and analytical support (e.g., receives applications, assists with an order of merit list, and coordinates with the civilian organizations to identify, rank, and match quality candidates with the respective civilian organization). The civilian organization coordinates with the awardees, their PMSs, and universities for the presentation and awarding of the scholarship.

3-2. CSSP Scholarships.

a. **CSSP Types.** Cadets may only receive one of the available CSSP scholarships.

The current list of Civilian organizations who provide scholarships are:

- (1) The Combined United Services Automobile Association (USAA) Scholarship.
- (2) The Armed Forces Insurance General Melvin Zais Army ROTC Scholarship.
- (3) The Joseph Cribbins Scholarship.
- (4) The Government Employees Insurance Company (GEICO) Scholarship.
- (5) The Association of the United States (AUSA) Scholarship.
- (6) The Raytheon Scholarship.

(Additional private scholarship support for Cadets will be welcomed from other interested non-federal entities.)

b. **Responsibilities.**

(1) **HQ USACC assists by providing the following support:**

(a) Publish scholarship criteria in the absence of specific requirements from civilian organization.

(b) Validate the civilian award amounts and quantity on an annual basis.

(c) Receive applications and provide analytical support to calculate the OML.

(d) Notify the civilian organization of potential awardees as determined by OML calculations.

(2) PMS' will be responsible for:

(a) Nominating qualified applications IAW established guidance.

(b) Notify awardees and coordinate travel for awardees as required by civilian awards presentations.

c. Eligibility. To be eligible to compete, a Cadet must:

(1) Military Science. Be a MS IV in the fall of the year of the award and meet the eligibility requirements prescribed in **AR 145-1**, paragraph 3-34. Cadets completing an associate degree at the MJC's and Cadets completing postgraduate work are eligible to compete.

(2) Age Requirement. Meet the scholarship/nonscholarship age requirements specified in **AR 145-1** and the medical standards prescribed in **AR 40-501**.

(3) Degree. Be eligible to receive a baccalaureate degree or an associate degree for MJC Cadets, by the end of the school year of the award.

(4) Advanced Camp. Be scheduled to attend or have successfully completed Advanced Camp. Successful completion of camp is defined as receiving an E or S evaluation.

(5) Completion Cadets. Cadets who are classified as completion Cadets with one full year of undergraduate degree requirements remaining are eligible for these scholarships.

3-3. The AFCEA Educational Foundation ROTC Scholarship Program.

The Foundation seeks applications from students working towards undergraduate degrees in the C4I-related fields of electrical, computer, chemical, systems or aerospace engineering: electronics; computer science; physics; mathematics; science or mathematics education; technology management or other technical fields; foreign languages; global security and intelligence studies; security and intelligence; or international studies at accredited degree-granting four-year colleges or universities. Majors directly related to the support of U.S. national security enterprises with relevance to the mission of AFCEA will also be eligible.

a. AFCEA Scholarship Types. The AFCEA awards 11 scholarships each year for undergraduate college or university study based on merit and financial need.

(1) Four scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each are presented to Army ROTC students from the junior class for the year they matriculate as seniors.

(2) Four scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each are presented to Army ROTC students from the sophomore class for the year they matriculate as juniors.

(3) One Medal of Honor Scholarship in the amount of \$5,000 is presented to the top Army ROTC Cadet matriculating as juniors or seniors. The scholarship application must include an additional letter of endorsement from the PMS. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required.

(4) One Distinguished Achievement Scholarship in the amount of \$4,000 will be awarded to the second highest Army ROTC Cadet. The scholarship application must include an additional letter of endorsement from the PMS. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required.

(5) One General James M. Rockwell, Jr. Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000 will be awarded to the Army ROTC Cadet who best demonstrates academics, leadership, and the potential to serve. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required.

b. Payment. The scholarships are paid directly to the scholarship recipient through the appropriate PMS.

c. Eligibility. The Cadets selected for these scholarships must:

(1) Be a U.S. citizen who is enrolled in ROTC.

(2) Be of good moral character.

(3) Have demonstrated academic excellence.

(4) Be working toward a degree in electronics, communications engineering, electrical or aerospace engineering, mathematics, physics, or computer science or technology.

(5) Have an observed need for financial assistance in completing their education.

(6) Have demonstrated the motivation to complete a college education and the potential to serve as officers in the Armed Forces of the United States.

(7) Both scholarship and non-scholarship Cadets are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

d. AFCEA Experience Tours. In partnership with Future Heroes, a private non-profit organization, AFCEA Experience Tours are another opportunity for ROTC Cadets. As a parallel to the classic model summer internship, Experience Tours offer selected ROTC students additional, practical, real-world leadership experience through placement in a major military command, corporation, or professional organization. Recipients are competitively board-selected by senior Active-Duty officers and retired General Officer advisors. The scholarship application must include an additional letter of endorsement from the PMS.

e. Honor Certificates and Ribbon Bar Awards are available to one Cadet from every Army ROTC Battalion, during a Cadet's academic junior year. Every ROTC Battalion may make one Honor Award nomination annually to those Cadets majoring in the selected electronics, computer i.e. engineering majors, or previously identified technical disciplines. Cadets nominated must also demonstrate high academic achievement.

3-4. The Daedalian Foundation Scholarship Program.

a. Program. The Order of Daedalians is the premier national fraternity of commissioned military pilots organized to perpetuate the spirit of patriotism, love of country and ideals of self-sacrifice, which places service to nation above personal safety or position. The charitable arm of the Order, the Daedalian Foundation, sponsors this annual scholarship program in furtherance of these goals.

b. Scholarships. Three \$2000 scholarships are awarded each year to three Aviation Branch non-scholarship ROTC Cadets.

3-5. The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.

a. Program. The Harry S. Truman Foundation seeks candidates who have extensive records of public and community service, are committed to careers in government, have outstanding leadership potential and outstanding communication skills.

b. Harry S. Truman Scholarships.

(1) The Foundation provides \$30,000 merit-based scholarships to selected candidates who wish to attend graduate or professional school, i.e. law, Master's and doctorate programs in public administration, public policy analysis, public health, international relations, government etc., (see www.truman.gov for complete list). Financial need is not a consideration.

(2) The Foundation awards up to 75 scholarships nationally each year to nominated candidates. Scholarships are available to qualified resident nominees in each of the 50 states, Washington D.C., Puerto Rico, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

c. Eligibility.

(1) Be an enrolled full-time student with junior-level academic standing at an accredited 4-year institution. Applicants must be pursuing and able to receive a bachelor's degree between December and August of the following academic year,

(2) Or be a student with senior-level standing who will graduate during the current academic year. Residents of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Pacific Islands must have senior-level academic standing.

(3) Be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national.

(4) Be committed to a career in public service.

(5) Be in the upper quarter of the junior class, except for residents of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa or the Northern Marianas who must be in their senior class.

d. Conditions.

(1) Truman Scholars must attend the Truman Scholars Leadership Week normally held during the month of May each year. Travel from the scholar's home (or university if the school term is still in progress), lodging and meals will be provided.

(2) Attend the one-day Truman Scholars Award Ceremony normally held after the Truman Scholars Leadership Week during the month of May.

(3) An opportunity to attend the Truman Scholars Summer Institute for 10-weeks. The Summer Institute consists of graduate-level seminars and workshops and internships in federal agencies for members selected as a Truman Scholar. Travel and subsidized housing are provided.

(4) A Cadet selected as a Truman Scholarship winner and meets all eligibility requirements for appointment as a commissioned officer will be accessed on to active duty to attend their civilian schooling. While attending the civilian schooling, full pay and allowances are received. The officer promotion is at the same rate as other active duty officers.

(5) Upon completion of the program, the officer will incur a six-year ADSO for a 2-year program or a 5-year ADSO for a one-year program. This ADSO will be served concurrently with the Cadet's Army ROTC ADSO.

(6) Upon completion of the civilian schooling, the officer agrees to serve a utilization tour associated with the education.

3-6. USAA Spirit Award.

USAA Spirit Award is an annual award program. It recognizes outstanding ROTC students. The USAA Spirit Award is designed to relay USAA appreciation to the Cadet who best embodies the concept of Service - to the Battalion, community, the Army or the nation.

Chapter 4 -- Green to Gold Program

4-1. Concept.

The Green to Gold (G2G) Program identifies Enlisted Soldiers in the Regular Army (RA) with officer potential and enables them, through ROTC, to attend college, complete Army Officer Commissioning requirements, and compete for officer assignments.

4-2. References.

USACC Reg 145-6 (Reserve Officers' Training Corps Green to Gold Program),
USACC Pam 145-1 (Army ROTC Incentives Procedures),
USACC Reg 145-1 (Army ROTC Incentives Policies),
Army Reg 145-1 (Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program)

4-3. Green to Gold Program Options.

a. Scholarship. Soldiers are discharged early to pursue their bachelor's degree or graduate degree through **2-**, **3-**, or **4-** year scholarship option.

b. Hip Pocket. Allows participating Division and Corps Commanders to nominate 2-, 3-, or 4-year scholarships to deserving and qualified Soldiers.

c. Non Scholarship.

(1) Green to Gold Non Scholarship Program. Soldiers are discharged early to pursue their first baccalaureate or advanced degree. Soldiers must be able to obtain their degree in four semesters/six quarters. See **USACC Reg 145-6** for additional information.

(2) Active Duty Option (ADO). Allows Soldiers to receive their first baccalaureate or advanced degree. Soldiers must be able to obtain their degrees in four semesters/six quarters (21 months). These Soldiers remain on active duty and receive full pay and allowances. For additional information concerning ADO, see **USACC Reg 145-6**

4-4. Green to Gold Scholarship Program.

a. Description. This Option is available to eligible Soldiers who desire to receive educational financial assistance while pursuing their commission.

b. Application. Application process is outlined in **USACC Reg 145-1 Chapter 3-1**.

c. Eligibility. Requirements listed in **AR 145-1**, Paragraph 4.

(1) Be an enlisted member of the RA who will have completed a minimum of two years of active duty as of the date of discharge for enrollment in the program. (waivers authorized down to 24 months)

(2) 2-year scholarship. Have 2 years of college work remaining to degree completion and be accepted at an Army ROTC institution.

(3) 3-year scholarship. Have 3 years of required college work remaining to degree completion and be accepted at an Army ROTC institution.

(4) 4-year scholarship. Soldiers must have taken the SAT or ACT, have 4 years remaining towards a degree, and be accepted for enrollment by an Army ROTC institution.

(5) ROTC Letter of Acceptance. Have a letter of acceptance from the ROTC PMS at the institution at which the Soldier is seeking enrollment. The letter must also verify university acceptance, the academic status, and the start date of the school term. The PMS Letter of Acceptance is due after board selection during phase II of the process.

(6) GT Score. Have achieved a score of 110 or higher on the General Technical Aptitude area of the Army Classification Battery. No Exceptions.

(7) CGPA. Have a CGPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 grading system on all previous college work completed for the 2- and 3-year program. Have a high school CGPA of 2.5 or higher for the 4-year program.

(8) Recommendation. Have a favorable recommendation from the immediate commander commenting on the Soldier's officer-like qualifications.

(9) Endorsement. Have a favorable endorsement of the immediate commander's recommendation by a field grade officer in the next echelon in the chain of command.

(10) ACFT. Have passed the current Army fitness test within the current calendar year.

(11) Bonuses. Recoupment of an unearned bonus is not required if the Soldier is separated to permit acceptance of a commission or to enter a program leading to a commission. Entitlement to additional unpaid bonus is suspended and will terminate upon commissioning. However, the entitlement to additional unpaid bonus will be reinstated and paid on a pro rata basis if the Soldier is not commissioned and returns to enlisted status in the same bonus MOS.

(12) Training Service Obligation. Have completed at least three months of service for every one month of specialized training (e.g., language or critical MOS) received upon completion of such training or have requested through supporting Military Personnel Office (MILPO) and received a waiver of obligation from CDR, HRC, ATTN: DAPC-EPT, Fort Knox, KY 40121. (If undergoing such training, separation can only be authorized by CDR, HRC ATTN: AHRC-FSF, Fort Knox, KY 40121.)

(13) Medical. Be medically qualified IAW the requirements of **AR 40-501**. The Soldier must also meet the height and weight standards of **AR 600-9**.

d. Ineligibility. In addition to those described in **AR 145-1**, Paragraph 4 and **USACC Reg 145-1, Chapter 2-4**, the following individuals will be ineligible to compete for or receive benefits under this program.

- (1) Persons who are ineligible for reenlistment.
- (2) Persons whose security clearances have been denied, suspended, or revoked.
- (3) Persons under suspension of unfavorable personnel action (**AR 600-8-2**).
- (4) Persons convicted of a domestic violence crime.
- (5) Persons participating in the Army University Access Online Program.

e. Disenrolled. Soldiers released for the Green to Gold Scholarship Program and subsequently disenrolled from the program may be returned to active duty to fulfill their previous service commitment or ordered to active duty or be required to repay the scholarship funds expended on their behalf from the point of contracting.

4-5. Commander's Green to Gold Hip Pocket Scholarship Program.

a. Description. Commanding General, Cadet Command has approved certain Commanders to participate in this program as a subset of the Green to Gold Scholarship Program. Participants are listed in **USACC Pam 145-1 Appendix J**. This list is subject to change without notice.

b. Program. This program allows Commanders to select a certain number of 2-, 3-, and 4-year scholarship winners from within their command. Upon verification of eligibility by Cadet Command, the Commander may award the scholarship. The applicant does not compete in the National Selection Board.

c. Application. Application process is outlined in **USACC Reg 145-6 Chapter 3-1**

5-1. NCLEX-RN Review Course Fee.

a. Concept.

(1) The NCLEX-RN review course is a program designed to ensure that nursing school graduates are prepared to pass the comprehensive licensure exam. The course helps nurse students review specific scientific and nursing knowledge that they learned during their years of nursing classes. All nursing school graduates are required to take and pass the NCLEX to practice as entry-level nurses in the U.S. Officers must pass the exam and hold a license before being accessed into the Army Nurse Corps.

(2) The intent of this incentive is to ensure all nurse Cadets (both scholarship and non-scholarship) have the best opportunity to pass their national licensing exams and optimize timely accession into the Army Nurse Corps.

b. Responsibilities.

(1) Brigade Commanders.

(a) Process payment of course fees for non-scholarship nurse Cadets using the IMPAC credit card. The purpose of the expenditures will be designated as professional training.

(b) Ensure payments are processed in sufficient time to allow payment prior to graduation.

(c) Ensure non-scholarship nurse Cadets do not pay for the course and expect reimbursement. There is no means to reimburse a non-scholarship Cadet for this fee.

(d) Maintain appropriate records of payment.

(2) PMS.

(a) Present this one-time option to all nurse Cadets eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN Review Course.

c. Ensure nurse Cadets apply for the course in sufficient time to allow payment prior to graduation. **Payment.** Payment will be processed through the current Cadet Command pay system. All scholarship nurse Cadets are eligible for this fee regardless of whether they have elected tuition and fees or room and board option.

d. Policy. The NCLEX-RN review course is Cadet training. Eligible Cadets must register for the course prior to graduation or completion of the BSN degree. USACC will pay for the review course and no other costs. The School of Nursing or an outside vendor they recommend may provide the review course.

e. Eligibility.

(1) The incentive is available one time only to all nurse Cadets who have not graduated.

(2) Payment is not authorized once Cadets graduate and commission.

(3) USACC will pay for the NCLEX for eligible Nurse completion Cadets.

5-2. NCLEX-RN Testing Fee.

a. Concept. All nursing school graduates are required to pass the NCLEX-RN test to practice as entry-level nurses in the United States. Officers must pass the exam and hold a license before being accessed into the Army Nurse Corps.

b. Responsibilities.

(1) Brigades will remind PMS's to ensure timely submission of requests.

(2) PMS will:

(a) Present this one-time incentive to all scholarship nurse Cadets eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN.

(b) Ensure scholarship nurse Cadets complete the application process for payment or request for reimbursement.

(3) Cadets will submit payment request through the current Army pay system.

c. Policy.

(1) All scholarship nurse Cadets will be provided a one-time payment to take the NCLEX-RN.

(2) The NCLEX-RN test fee must be processed for payment prior to graduation or completion of the BSN degree.

d. Eligibility. All nurse scholarship Cadets eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN test.

Chapter 6 -- Cooperative Scholarship Program for Future Pharmacy Officers

6-1. Concept

a. This program provides a potential financial incentive to pharmacy students during their entire 6-year program of study, which will provide the Army with a pharmacy officer trained at the PharmD level.

b. This program combines scholarships from the ROTC and the Health Profession Scholarship Program (HPSP) to provide financial assistance throughout a student's entire pharmacy education so he/she may obtain a commission with concurrent call to active duty in the rank of Captain.

6-2. PMS Responsibilities.

a. Recruit, process, and select qualified pharmacy students for receipt of an Army ROTC scholarship IAW existing procedures as outlined in [Chapter 2](#).

b. Publicize this contracting option.

c. Screen applications to ensure eligibility.

d. Assist Cadet in completing an AMEDD Ed Delay request at appropriate time.

e. Assist Cadet in achieving all milestones required to complete the ROTC Advanced Course and to be eligible to receive a commission.

f. Provide two original **DA Form 71s**, Oath of Office – Military Personnel to the student upon commissioning.

6-3. Policy.

a. **Selection.** Selection for participation in this program will be the sole prerogative of USACC, provided the student meets all requirements for program completion.

b. **ADSO.** Participants will incur an ADSO from both ROTC and the HPSP that must be served consecutively, resulting in a 6-year ADSO.

c. **MSO. IAW Section 651, Title 10, U.S. Code and DOD policy**, total MSO is 8 years.

(1) Time spent in the IRR during this program counts toward the statutory MSO, but does not count for pay or retirement purposes.

(2) Any portion of the MSO not served on active duty will be served in the USAR.

d. Requests for release from Active Duty. Requests for resignation or release from active duty to be effective during the period of this agreement will be disapproved except where considered to be in the best interest of the U.S. Army, or when the individual can demonstrate that a clear hardship exists that would make continuing service unreasonably difficult as outlined in existing ARs.

6-4. Eligibility.

a. ROTC and HPSP. Applicants must maintain eligibility requirements for both ROTC and the HPSP, as outlined in **ARs 40-29, 40-501, 135-100, 135-101, 145-1, and 601-141** and this regulation.

b. PharmD Program. Applicants must maintain enrollment eligibility requirements for the PharmD program, including the following:

(1) Be enrolled full time and in good academic standing in an accredited PharmD program from a school affiliated with a SROTC program.

(2) Qualify for and receive an Army ROTC scholarship IAW **AR 145-1** and this regulation.

(3) Maintain a GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or that required by the PharmD program in which the student is enrolled, whichever is higher.

(4) Meet all training requirements for ROTC as outlined in **USACC Reg 145-3**.

(5) Meet all eligibility requirements for appointment as a commissioned officer as outlined in **AR 135-100** and upon receiving a PharmD, meet all criteria for reappointment as an MS officer, 67E (pharmacist) as outlined in **AR 135-101**.

(6) Serve all incurred obligations on active duty.

(7) Failure of a program participant to accomplish any of the above while enrolled in the ROTC phase of the program will be addressed IAW existing USACC procedures.

(8) Once enrolled in HPSP, failure to graduate with a PharmD or maintain eligibility for reappointment as an MS officer, 67E, will be addressed IAW existing Office of the Surgeon General procedures.

c. Ineligibility. Cadets with GRFD or Dedicated GRFD scholarships must obtain a GRFD revocation from the Secretary of Army before applying for this program. Applicants cannot apply for other accession incentive programs.

Chapter 7 -- Educational Assistance Program (EAP) for MJC ECP Officers

7-1. Concept.

a. The EAP for MJC officers is available to all scholarship or non-scholarship MJC Cadets who have commissioned and are now enrolled in the ECP (**USACC Reg 145-9**).

b. The program provides additional financial assistance for completion of a baccalaureate degree at a SROTC institution. These funds are in addition to any previous funds received at the MJC. Funding will be provided for 2 academic years, i.e., 4 semesters or 6 quarters. Extensions of benefits to include summer benefits by exception only; submit IAW **USACC Pam 145-1**.

7-2. References.

USACC Reg 145-9 (Army ROTC Branching, Commissioning, and Accessioning)
USACC Pam 145-1 (Army ROTC Incentives Procedures),

7-3. Responsibilities.

a. **HQ USACC is responsible for:**

- (1) Nationwide publicity of the EAP for Military Junior College officers.
- (2) Furnishing accept/decline documents to prospective applicants.
- (3) Processing MJC ECP LT acceptances.
- (4) Publishing EAP guidance.

b. **Brigade.** ROTC Brigade Commanders are responsible for area publicity.

c. **PMS.** MJC PMS are responsible for:

- (1) Local publicity.
- (2) Assisting MJC officers in completing and submitting selected documents required for the application.
- (3) Entering participants into CCIMM with appropriate 4-year FICE code.
- (4) Losing MJC is responsible for MJC officer until they report to the gaining ROTC university per **USACC Reg 145-9**.

d. Gaining PMS are responsible for:

(1) Tracking/counseling MJC officer once they arrive at institution per **USACC Reg 145-9**.

(2) Ensuring the ECP LT is still eligible to receive benefits under this program (each term). No action is required if the ECP Lieutenant is still eligible.

(3) Notify USACC should an ECP LT breach the contract. See **USACC Pam 145-1**.

e. MJC Officer. MJC officer is responsible for adhering to all requirements of **DA Form 597-4** and **USACC Reg 145-9**, CH 5.

7-4. Policy.

a. Eligibility.

(1) Officer must agree to attend a ROTC Host or partnership institution to participate in this program.

(2) Acceptance for participation in this program may be finalized prior to commissioning at the MJC or within the first year at the follow-on 4-year Institution.

(3) Eligibility requirements listed in **AR 145-1**, Chapter 4, apply.

(4) All MJC scholarship and non-scholarship ECP LTs are eligible for this program.

(5) Commission and maintain a 2.0 CGPA and term 2.0 GPA each semester or quarter while enrolled in the baccalaureate producing school.

(6) Must be a drilling member of a Reserve Component Unit.

b. Ineligibility. In addition to those described in **AR 145-1**, Chapter 4, the following individuals will be ineligible to receive benefits under this program.

(1) Persons whose security clearances have been denied, suspended, or revoked.

(2) Persons under suspension of unfavorable personnel action (**AR 600-8-2**).

(3) Persons convicted of a domestic violence crime.

c. Breach of Contract. An ECP Lieutenant is considered having a breach of contract when one of the following occurs:

(1) Fails to maintain a 2.0 CGPA or earn below a 2.0 for any semester or quarter.

(2) Fails to graduate with a baccalaureate degree within 36 months of enrolling in a senior college or university.

(3) Fails to maintain eligibility requirements stated in [Chapter 2-4](#) of this regulation unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this chapter or **USACC Pam 145-1**.

d. Financial Options. ECP Lieutenants participating in the EAP may elect tuition and fees or room and board as outlined in [Chapter 2-7](#) of this regulation.

Chapter 8 -- Army ROTC Scholarship Cadet Actions

8-1. Concept.

a. The Army ROTC Incentives Program Scholarship Cadet Actions Chapter is designed to provide guidance for any measure that changes, alters, or deviates a Cadet from the original Contract.

b. These actions require a Cadet Action Request with annotation as a Personnel Action in CCIMM. The action is sent from the school to the Brigade then forwarded to HQCC for consideration.

8-2. Financial Policy requiring Cadet Actions.

a. Cadet Pay Operations provides benefits for routine Incentives scholarship actions. It does not provide benefits for non-routine actions, without HQCC authority and documentation in CCIMM.

b. Actions requiring an authorization in CCIMM include: extension of benefits, summer benefits, retroactive benefits, change of major requiring HQCC approval, exceptions to policy to include but not limited to; lifting of administrative suspension prior to the suspension end date, study abroad, foreign study, and instances of scholarship retention.

c. **Online Classes.** Students on ROTC Scholarships must be enrolled full-time with 50% of the curriculum (per term) in a traditional classroom setting unless enrolled in the final Military Science Advance Course class of their last term.

d. Students on ROTC scholarships must be enrolled in a military science course listed in the course catalog (e.g. military history, physical fitness, leadership labs, etc.) in order to be paid benefits except for approved summer extension of benefits.

8-3. Scholarship Cadet Actions.

a. **Extension of Scholarship Benefits.** Extension of Benefits will be limited exceptions. Scholarship Cadets can request an extension of benefits if their degree program requires additional terms (with ROTC) than covered by the type of scholarship award. Request for an extension of scholarship benefits (to include summer) will be limited to justified reasons beyond the Cadet's ability to control.

(1) **Extended Terms.** Benefits can be extended for up to an additional year (2 semesters or 3 quarters), or as a combination of one term of a 5th academic year and a summer session. These are considered on a case-by-case basis.

(2) **Scholarship Benefit Election.** Students will select the option each term of full tuition and fees or room and board IAW [Paragraph 2-6c](#). Summer benefits and Study Abroad are limited to tuition/fees payment only.

(3) Expected Start and End Terms. Scholarship Cadets are governed by the Expected Start and End Term as determined by the **USACC Form 104-R**. Payment of benefits will not exceed the approved Expected End Term entered in CCIMM and on the original **USACC Form 104-R**.

(a) Cadet Actions are based on the original Expected Start and End Term awarded to a Cadet at the beginning of their scholarship. Consideration weighs greatly on why a Cadet was not able to complete graduation requirements and commission according to the original **USACC Form 104-R**. Therefore, correct calculation saves time, money and individuals tracking a request at each level for a decision.

(b) All 3.5-year, 3-year, 2.5-year, 2-year scholarship winners will be enrolled in the correct MS Class to force academic alignment as determined by the **USACC Form 104-R** and scholarship award so benefits end at the same time of commission.

(4) Stipend. Cadets granted extended scholarship benefits for Fall/Spring terms will be entitled to stipend during the period of the extension.

(a) To receive extended benefits, the Cadet must be a full-time student enrolled in Army ROTC except during the Cadet's final term of school

(b) Military science courses are not required during the summer term, thus, no stipend is authorized. **Exception:** If a military science course is taken as part of degree requirements, then subsistence may be paid, provided payment does not exceed the maximum allowable for the school year.

(5) Five-year Degree Programs. HQCC must approve these programs prior to a student's attendance.

(a) Programs which require five years must be approved by HQCC. **US Code Title 10** limits financial assistance to a maximum of five academic years (10 semester terms or 15 quarter terms).

(b) Students in these programs must participate in a military science individual study course or Professional Military Education during the periods of extended scholarship benefits. This means that each PMS needs to develop additional military science courses beyond the typical MS I-IV.

(c) If a 5th academic year of scholarship benefits is approved, students who accept extended scholarship entitlements must execute amended contracts that extend their active-duty service obligation for a period of time equivalent to the length of the entitlement extension. Procedures for extension of benefits are located in **USACC Pam 145-1**.

(d) These programs cannot confer two degrees. Dual degrees must be obtained simultaneously, not consecutively. Scholarship benefits stop when the first degree is conferred because the Cadet meets the educational requirements for commissioning.

(e) Requests for extension of scholarship benefits are submitted during the following terms:

- **Contracting Term:** If the USACC Form 104-R used to contract indicates a National winner will require more terms to obtain his/her degree than offered by the scholarship awarded --

- National winners who are in a 5-year degree programs must provide the USACC Form 104-R to USACC RMID during their contracting term.

- 3AD recipients who are in a 5-year degree program must provide the USACC Form 104-R to USACC RMID during their contracting term.

- **Term of Expiration of Benefits:** If at any time after the Cadet contracts it is determined that the Cadet will need an extension of benefits and the Cadet meets all eligibility requirements listed below, the request will be submitted during the last term of scheduled benefits.

(6) Active Duty Service Obligation. 4-year scholarship Cadets receiving extended scholarship entitlements in excess of four years incurs an additional ADSO of 6 months for each additional semester or 4 months for each additional quarter.

(a) This extended period of active duty, however, does not prohibit the Army's option to permit/offer Reserve Forces Duty to these Cadets under the terms of the ROTC scholarship contract.

(b) 3- and 2-year scholarship Cadets receiving extended scholarship entitlements do not incur additional obligations since their scholarship entitlements would not exceed 4 years.

(7) Extension of Benefits Eligibility. The Cadet must:

(a) Have a minimum 2.7 CGPA to demonstrate good academic proficiency.

(b) Maintain normal academic progression towards undergraduate degree requirements IAW the university's full-time status requirements

- Meeting minimum requirements to qualify as a "full-time" student for tuition purposes (normally 12 units per term) does not, by itself, demonstrate normal progression toward a degree.

(c) Not have repeated any courses to meet academic department or university requirements for minimum grades. Cadet must not be on academic probation or administrative suspension the preceding semester/quarter.

(d) Attain a ROTC current term and CGPA 3.0 or better.

(e) Cadets must attend the same educational institution at which they are seeking the degree or have a letter of acceptance from the institution indicating the hours taken at another institution will be accepted toward the degree. Payment is authorized only at the academic or host program.

(f) Maintain full-time status each term based upon the university's policy.

(8) Ineligibility. The following circumstances make the Cadet ineligible for extended benefits:

(a) Dual majors and to pursue minors that are not specifically required for the degree program.

(b) Students who require additional course work due to a change of major.

(c) Students who lost credits due to transferring schools (except in the event of a school closure), or students who require additional course work due to a transfer.

(d) Poor grades (D's, F's, I's, or W's) from the point of contracting.

(e) Students in the masters/graduate degree program are ineligible for any extension of benefits. This is non-waiverable by law. The graduate degree 2-year scholarship is limited, by law, to 20 months of benefits.

(f) Remedial, background enrichment courses or make-up courses as a result of academic failure/difficulty are not authorized for payment.

(g) Not maintaining normal academic progression IAW their original approved **USACC Form 104-R**.

b. Summer Benefits. Courses taken in summer must be an integral part of the Cadet's major field of study that are required for attainment of the Cadet's degree but are not offered during the academic year. All requests for payment of Summer Benefits require a Cadet Action in CCIMM.

(1) Stipend. Military science courses are not required during the summer term, thus, no stipend is authorized. **Exception:** If a military science course is taken as part of degree requirements, then subsistence may be paid, provided payment does not exceed the maximum allowable for the school year.

(2) Freshman. Summer Benefits are not available for Cadets who are classified as freshman (rising sophomores).

(a) A freshman is not determined solely by how many credit hours are on the transcript for transferring students.

(b) **Example.** If a Cadet transferred in with 30 credit hours, but none are accepted for the degree program and the Cadet is on a 4-yr scholarship as an MS I, the Cadet is a freshman or rising sophomore for the purpose of summer benefits.

(3) Summer Credit Hours. Cadets must register for and complete a minimum of six, but not more than 12 credit hours of course work **required** for the degree during the summer term. This authority is for only two summer sessions and is not authorized for the summer after the freshman year.

(4) One summer term equals one semester/quarter. The use of summer benefits reduces the available extension of scholarship semester benefits. The completion of one or two summer terms reduces the fifth year of extended benefits. Thus, when one summer term has been authorized, only one additional semester or two quarters of extended benefits can be authorized.

(a) If a school holds more than one session during the summer, it is considered one term.

(b) Example. A school offers a four-week session of summer classes, and then another session of summer classes following the first. The two sessions count as one term.

(5) Mandatory summer benefits. Courses taken in summer must be an integral part of the Cadet's major field of study required for attainment of the Cadet's degree. Mandatory summer school is defined as courses only offered during the summer as per the academic catalog and cannot be taken at any other time during the academic year or as state mandated attendance at summer school. The signed **USACC Form 145-1-3, Summer Counseling Statement** must be sent to HQ RMID Incentives Division.

(6) Non-Mandatory Summer Benefits. Requests for Non-Mandatory summer benefits will be submitted to HQ USACC, Incentives Division, Scholarship Program Management Branch using **USACC Form 131-R** with the documentation required for an extension of scholarship benefits. See **USACC Pam 145-1 Chapter 8-3**.

(a) Cadets must meet all eligibility requirements listed above.

(b) Cadets must attend the same educational institution at which they are seeking the degree or have a letter of acceptance from the institution indicating the hours taken at another institution will be accepted toward the degree. Payment is authorized only at the academic or host program.

(c) Cadets may elect to attend summer school to graduate early or remain academically aligned. In this instance, the Expected End Term will be adjusted.

- The Cadet and the PMS must sign the **USACC Form 145-1-3, Summer Counseling Statement**.

- If the Cadet does not graduate and commission by the Expected End Term as outlined in CCIMM, then any additional terms it takes to graduate, and commission become the responsibility of the Cadet.

- Cadets electing to graduate early must be able to complete all ROTC Advance Course requirements. Extension of benefits beyond the Expected End Term will not be authorized.

c. Academic Discipline Change

(1) One Change of Major. The PMS may grant one change of major with retention of scholarship benefits for all academic disciplines, except HQ funded scholarship Cadets and for Cadets changing from a major that requires five years to complete.

(2) Second Change of Major. For a second change of major, the PMS may grant the change with retention of scholarship benefits, if the scholarship Cadet stays within the same academic discipline classification. **Example:** mechanical engineer to civil engineer.

(3) Third Change of Major. HQ USACC is the approval authority for any other requests for a second change of major and for Cadets who require more than two changes. All requests must be processed through Brigade for the Commander's endorsement/recommendation.

(4) Five-Year Degree. HQ USACC is the approval authority for Cadets enrolled in five-year degree plans who want to change their academic discipline to a major that requires fewer years to complete.

(5) Change of Major for HQ Scholarships (Nurse, Language, STEM). All requests for change of major for HQ-funded scholarships will be sent to RMID for final decision.

(a) Recipients of HQ Funded (Major specific) scholarships who are endorsed for a change of major by the Brigade Commander and approved by RMID will be placed on Admin Suspension for one term and be retained as a line scholarship Cadet, provided they continue to meet retention requirements and funding is available.

(b) PMS' will counsel all Nurse, Language, and STEM Cadets in writing, using **USACC 145-1-4 Specialty Scholarship Counseling Form** at the time of contracting to ensure they understand this policy.

d. Retroactive Benefit Requests. Retroactive benefits are paid to Cadets, who because of a system delay in the process, were unable to contract. RMID will only consider requests for one semester or two quarters. Students will elect the option of Tuition and Fees or Room and Board reimbursement IAW [Paragraph 2-6c](#). Retroactive benefits are authorized only for a term where there was an existing offer.

(1) Eligibility for retroactive benefits is based on the following information:

(a) The Cadet had a valid offer in CCIMM for the term requested.

(b) The Cadet met all other eligibility requirements during the term requested e.g. current fitness standard, HT/WT, waivers, etc.

(c) The Program scheduled the Cadet's exam at the time of the offer in the case of the campus-based offers.

(d) The Program initiated all administrative waivers at the time of endorsement of the USACC 139-R.

(e) The Cadet performs all follow-up actions (i.e. responds to remedials) within a timely fashion.

(2) Same-term offers are not eligible for retroactive payment of benefits.

(3) Applicants who have not completed their scholarship eligibility requirements IAW [Paragraph 2-4](#) within one year will not be eligible for retroactive benefits.

(4) **Stipend/Subsistence Allowance.** IAW US Code, Title 37, § 209, retroactive stipend is not authorized for scholarship Cadets. Requests submitted for retroactive stipend will be returned without action. There are no exceptions to policy for this statutory requirement.

e. Study Abroad. HQCC approves study abroad for scholarship Cadets for periods up to one year (two semesters or three quarters) provided the following eligibility and payment policies are understood.

(1) Eligibility.

(a) The Cadet's academic institution must fully sanction the course of study at the foreign institution.

(b) The courses taken must be an integral part of the Cadet's major field of study required for attainment of the Cadet's degree by the school catalog.

(c) The Cadet's academic institution grants full credit for completion of the course toward completion of the degree program.

(d) The scholarship Cadet enrolls in PMS-approved Army correspondence courses or an individually tailored Military Science Distance Learning Program to meet military science requirements while studying abroad (excludes summer term study abroad).

(e) The PMS monitors, through arrangements with the university, the Cadet's academic progress while attending the foreign study program.

(f) The Cadet does not migrate because of a study abroad.

(g) Study Abroad during an interim session i.e. winter break or summer break, requires a Cadet Action. Therefore, approvals may be limited to those requests required for the academic major or by the school. Requests for one or two weeks normally are not cost effective for consideration and must have a compelling reason for approval.

(h) Reimbursement for travel is not authorized.

(2) Payment.

(a) The approved period of overseas study will not exceed the cost for the student to remain on-campus and take a comparable course load.

(b) If the school requires the Cadet to pay the academic fee regardless of the study abroad fee, it must be indicated in the request.

(c) Room and board costs associated with the foreign study program are not authorized. The room and board option is prohibited IAW guidance from HQDA G1 as payment during periods of overseas study.

(d) Cadet must submit an itemized bill for the study abroad. The PMS may only approve tuition and fees not to exceed the cost of the credits on campus. Program costs, visas, and excursions are not eligible as an authorized expense. Program costs that are not itemized will not be approved. The program merely pays for tuition and fees.

(e) State (if applicable for ARNG) Tuition Assistance may be used in conjunction with GRFD Dedicated Scholarships. However, if state tuition and fees are paid to individuals on scholarship, they are ineligible for an ROTC scholarship for that term. The room and board option is prohibited IAW guidance from HQDA G1 as payment during periods of overseas study.

(f) FTA may not be used in conjunction with an ROTC scholarship.

8-4. Exception to Policy.

On a case-by-case basis, provisions of this regulation may be considered as an exception to policy unless prohibited by statute or Army regulation. See **USACC Pam 145-1**.

a. Explanation. An overriding reason for the exception to policy must be supported by explanation where it is not the fault of the Cadet.

b. Reconsiderations:

(1) May only be submitted once.

(2) Must provide new and compelling information not previously considered.

8-5. Scholarship Retention.

a. Guidance. Under certain conditions, the PMS must determine if the scholarship student is performing adequately enough to justify payment of tuition and fees. Scholarships are a privilege, not a right.

(1) Scholarship Cadets/ECP Lieutenants who fail to meet scholarship retention standards will be placed immediately on administrative suspension unless there are circumstances beyond the Cadet's ability to influence.

(2) Based on the circumstances surrounding each case, the guidance contained in this regulation, and the Cadet's overall performance, the PMS must determine whether to place a scholarship Cadet on admin suspension, probation, request scholarship termination, or initiate disenrollment action.

(3) Administrative suspension (which stops payment of benefits – excluding books -- for one term) is the preferred tool to be used by the PMS rather than probation.

b. Probation.

(1) In exceptional cases, probation is for those scholarship Cadets/ECP Lieutenants who do not meet retention standards due to mitigating circumstances beyond the Cadet's ability to influence.

(2) A PMS who desires to use probation rather than admin suspension must request permission from the Brigade Commander by providing the rationale for the decision.

(3) Probation cannot be used consecutively for the same reason. If retention standards are not met by the end of the term, the Cadet will be placed on admin suspension.

(4) If a PMS elects to place a Cadet on admin suspension and then decides probation is more appropriate for the school term, a request for lifting admin suspension must be processed through the Brigade for final approval at HQCC.

(5) Programs must record a Cadet's Probation in the Personnel Actions Tab of CCIMM.

c. Administrative suspension.

(1) Administrative suspension will be used for (not all inclusive):

(a) Failure of the current fitness standard or height & weight standard.

(b) Failure to maintain minimum 2.0 Academic current and CGPA. After term corrections will not be considered.

(c) Failure to maintain minimum 2.0 ROTC current and CGPA. After term corrections will not be considered.

(d) Failure to maintain full-time academic status as determined by the university.

(e) Progress toward a degree falls below what is normally required for graduation at the scheduled time without sufficient cause or justification. (**NOTE:** *This should be verified in writing from the respective department head, student academic advisor or other comparable university representative.*)

(f) Misconduct (e.g. Minor in Possession of Alcohol, etc)

(g) When requests for scholarship termination (with retention in the program) or retention waivers are pending decision.

(2) PMS will initiate disenrollment for Cadets placed on two consecutive terms of administrative suspension for the same suspension reason. See USACC Pam 145-4 for disenrollment procedures.

(3) Lifting of administrative suspension for retroactive benefits where a Cadet corrects the action after the term of ineligibility is not authorized.

Chapter 9 -- Culture and Language Incentive Pay-Bonus (CLIP-B)

9-1. Purpose.

The purpose of the CLIP-B program is to promote the study of languages and cultural studies that are of importance to the Army.

9-2. Responsibilities.

a. HQCC, RMID.

(1) Serves as the staff proponent for the CLIP-B program.

(2) RMID is responsible for implementing, monitoring, screening, and approving courses and activities for CLIP-B eligibility and collecting data for required reports.

(3) Only USACC RMID may approve courses or activities for CLIP-B eligibility. USACC RMID is the sole authority for providing approval of academic college courses and foreign language proficiency tests conducted through DOD offices.

b. HQCC, G8. G8 Cadet Pay Division will remain the sole authority for payment of USACC RMID approved courses and foreign language proficiency tests. Courses and activities not previously approved by RMID will not be processed for payment by G8 Cadet Pay under any circumstances.

c. PMS

(1) Implements and monitors the CLIP-B program within their SROTC Programs, including partnership and affiliated schools.

(2) Ensure Cadets meet eligibility requirements for CLIP-B, and ensure Cadets are contracted prior to submission for payment.

(3) Certify and approve payment only for Cadets who have successfully completed approved CLIP-B courses or DLPT/OPI activities.

9-3. CLIP-B Program.

Only contracted Cadets in good standing may request CLIP-B payment. Any classes taken prior to contracting are not eligible for payment. Classes taken during the same term the Cadet contracted are eligible. See **USACC Pam 145-1 Chapter 9** for documentation requirements and payment process.

a. Eligible Languages. Languages identified in the Department of Defense Strategic Language List provide the foundation of what languages will be authorized for CLIP-B payment. Commonly taught and known languages such as Spanish, German, and French are dominant in the force and will not earn any CLIP-B payment. CLIP-B authorized languages are broken down into four levels to define payment values. See **USACC Pam 145-1 Chapter 9**.

b. Exceptions.

(1) Some SMP Cadets, who are required to complete Spanish language courses as part of their college program required by the National Guard, will be eligible to receive CLIP-B payments for successful completion of those Spanish courses. Not all SMP Cadets will qualify for this exception, since the exception is state dependent.

(2) Only those SMP Cadets who are also members of the National Guard in the following states may participate in this exception to the CLIP-B program: AR, CT, FL, KY, LA, MA, MS, MO, NH, NM, TX, WV, WI, and Puerto Rico are eligible.

(3) In such cases, the SMP Cadet must provide documentation that the Spanish courses are requirements of the National Guard program in which the Cadet is also participating. Specific documentation may vary, dependent upon the state involved.

(a) Documentation that the Cadet is required to take the Spanish course.

(b) Documentation that the Cadet is an SMP Cadet of the National Guard.

c. Course Types.

(1) **Language Courses.** Courses designed to teach the student how speak, read, write, or interpret that foreign language. Successful completion of the course to be eligible for CLIP-B payment requires the student to achieve at least a grade of B or better.

(2) **Culture Courses.** Some cultural courses, which are offered as part of the language course requirements for Minor or Major language programs, may be eligible whenever the foreign language itself has been approved for CLIP-B. See **USACC Pam 145-1 Chapter 9.**

(3) **Language Testing.** Only Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) and Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) proficiency assessments approved by USACC RMID qualify for the CLIP-B program. Annual CLIP-B payment of any approved DLPT/OPI will be based upon the assessed difficulty of the language and the level of proficiency verified by the test. See **USACC Pam 145-1 Chapter 9.**

(4) Grades of “B-” or below, or any “Pass” or “Cred” grades do not meet the minimum grade level required for CLIP-B payment. Transcripts that reflect “Incomplete”, “Fail”, “No Cred”, “WP”, “WF”, audit, or no academic credit awarded, are not eligible for CLIP-B payment. If courses are offered as “Pass-Fail” or “Cred/No Cred” as the only grading option, the course is not eligible for a CLIP-B payment. The only exception is when the course is a language laboratory course (listed in the catalog as a required adjunct to a regular course).

(5) **Commercially available courses** (self-contained or distance learning) are not payable for CLIP-B. However, language capabilities and fluency gained from completing such courses is testable through approved CLIP-B eligible language proficiency tests (DLPT/OPI).

Chapter 10 – Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) and Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty (GRFD) Program.

10-1. Descriptions.

a. GRFD Program

(1) The GRFD Program is comprised of the scholarship and Non-Scholarship options. The Program is mandatory for all GRFD scholarship Cadets to include the Ike Skelton ECP Scholarship recipients.

(a) GRFD is not available for line scholarship Cadets unless conversion to a GRFD scholarship.

(b) GRFD is available for Non-Scholarship contracted Cadets enrolled in the SMP.

(2) The GRFD Program attracts Cadets who are interested in obtaining a commission in the ARNG or the USAR.

(3) The GRFD Program also allows Cadets to make a statement of early individual preference for Reserve Components (RC). Those who satisfactorily participate receive a RC duty assignment during the accession process. If a Non-Scholarship Cadet becomes interested in active duty, they may request to revoke their GRFD contract endorsement and compete for active duty during the accession process.

(4) Since the intent of the GRFD Program is to encourage interest in the RC, satisfactory participation in the SMP is required of all GRFD Cadets.

b. SMP

(1) By definition, the SMP Cadet is a reserve officer trainee assigned to an RC Unit, while simultaneously participating as a contracted GRFD scholarship or non-scholarship Cadet.

(2) The ROTC/SMP is a volunteer officer-training program designed to increase the number of ROTC officers available for Reserve Forces Duty (RFD). It allows simultaneous enrollment and participation in the ROTC MS (I, II, III and IV) and enlistment in the RC. It provides the future officer with leadership and RC unit experience.

(3) Enlisted members of the ARNG or USAR cannot contract until they have elected to either participate in the SMP or discharge from RC to accept campus-based ROTC scholarships and reenlist in the USAR Control Group (ROTC).

10-2. Responsibilities.

a. SMP

(1) USACC.

(a) The CG, USACC establishes policy governing Cadet Command personnel in the implementation of the SMP within the command.

(b) The Assistant Chiefs of Staff; RC (ACS-ARNG and ACS-USAR), Cadet Command, advise the command on SMP matters and provide assistance as required with their respective component, establishes policy governing the execution of the SMP, and monitors the SMP IAW appropriate directives and guidance.

(2) PMS

(a) Manage their Simultaneous Membership Program.

(b) Maintain communication with the ARNG and USAR units in the area.

(c) Supervise all SMP Cadets.

(d) Interview and counsel prospective SMP Cadets concerning RC unit assignment during participation in the program and post commission options.

(e) Ensure that contracted ROTC Cadets belonging to a RC Unit have a SMP status.

(f) Ensure that Cadets are processed for participation in the SMP.

(g) Ensure that ROTC scholarship Cadets who do not have a GRFD control number are not participating in the SMP.

(h) Ensure that all GRFD, Dedicated ARNG, Dedicated USAR and Ike Skelton/ECP scholarship recipients participate in the SMP.

(i) Encourage local unit commanders to market GRFD, Ike Skelton ECP and Dedicated ARNG/USAR scholarships to unit personnel.

(j) Coordinate with appropriate authorities to ensure RC Soldiers electing to participate in the SMP discharge and reenlist in the USAR Control group (ROTC) prior to contracting as ROTC Cadets.

(k) Verify that the RC unit processes the necessary paperwork to place SMP Cadets at pay grade E-5, or higher where appropriate (**AR 601-210**, Para 9-14a (3); **NGR 600-100**, Paragraph 13-5b, c).

(l) Verify that SMP Cadets are under the supervision of their RC unit by commissioned officers. Advise RC unit commanders when underutilization of Cadets at training occurs. Ensure SMP Cadets get the best possible leadership experience.

(m) Provide the Cadet's unit commander with a copy of the SROTC Program's training schedule and obtain a copy of the unit's drill schedule for the year. Resolve training schedule conflicts between the SROTC Programs and the RC unit.

(n) Conduct periodic reviews of reserve strength reports and officer vacancies. Facilitate with unit administrators and strength management officers located at each JFHQ for the ARNG and RRC for the USAR. This ensures assignments of Cadets in the SMP and officer vacancies upon time of commissioning.

(o) Conduct annual visit with the RC unit commander to observe SMP Cadets during inactive duty training (IDT) periods if possible.

(p) Coordinates each semester with the RC unit commander. This should provide an opportunity to review with the RC unit commander on the SMP Cadet's performance. Coordinate with the RC unit commander to ensure accountabilities to the SMP.

(q) Counsel MS IV Cadets during the preparation of accession packets concerning the completion of **ROTC Cadet Evaluation Worksheet Series 67-10**. Provide guidance concerning RC force structure, locations of major troop units in the Cadet's projected area of residence, and branch opportunities within the respective components.

(r) Serve as a liaison between Cadet Command elements and RC unit by providing continuous coordination, assistance, and negotiation. Refer unresolved issues to the appropriate RC ACS.

(s) Ensure that CCIMM updates and communicates to HQCC in a timely manner to reflect all changes related to SMP status for Cadets.

(t) Assist the Cadet in obtaining a SMP agreement from a unit. USACC ARNG/USAR BDE Liaisons will assist in finding a RC unit.

(3) Cadet.

(a) Cadets must maintain academic alignment.

(b) Enter into a SMP agreement with an ARNG or USAR unit at the earliest possible time during the semester/quarter when contracting with ROTC, NLT the last day of the semester/ quarter.

(c) Remain a satisfactory participant in the SMP RC unit.

b. GRFD Program

(1) USACC

(a) Determine if there is available GRFD scholarship funding allocated for each mission set, established in the annual Mission, Marketing, & Incentives OPORD.

(b) Issue GRFD Control Numbers for ROTC Contract Endorsements when requested by PMS. Monitor the status of the GRFD Program by maintaining a GRFD Cadet Database.

(c) Enter all control numbers into CCIMM, Student/Cadet Information module.

(d) Post changes of GRFD status to CCIMM such as revoked GRFD Control Numbers.

(e) Act as the final approval authority for revocation of GRFD Cadet Contract Endorsements. (See the revocation process in [Paragraph 10-8](#)).

(2) PMS

(a) Inform prospects and Cadets of the GRFD Program.

(b) Ensure prospects are completely qualified to participate in the GRFD Program before requesting a control number and executing the GRFD contract endorsement.

(c) Ensure the SMP agreement (ARNG-**NGB Form 594-1** or USAR-**DA Form 4824-R** and **Commanders Memo**) with the RC unit is completed and RC unit information is in CCIMM before attempting to contract a Non-Scholarship SMP Cadet.

(d) Ensure SMP contract is accurate and completely filled out.

(e) Request and process request for Non-Scholarship prospects/Cadets who are interested in and eligible for the GRFD Program.

(f) Counsel Cadets who request a Non-Scholarship GRFD contract or an Ike Skelton ECP Scholarship contract that higher headquarters approves revocation requests and are not guaranteed.

(g) Process requests for revocation of the Non-Scholarship GRFD Cadet Contract Endorsement (**USACC Form 202-R**) before submitting the Cadets accession packet to Cadet Command for the National OML. Submit revocation before ranking process and the DA/ROTC Selection and Branching Board NLT **1 June** or as specified by the accession circular guidance.

(h) MJC PMS's will process requests for revocation using USACC Form 205-R prior to commissioning. IAW accession circular guidance.

(3) Cadet

- (a)** Remain a satisfactory participant in the SMP RC unit.
- (b)** Complete all academic requirements necessary for the receipt of a baccalaureate degree before commissioning, maintaining a minimum 2.0 CGPA.
- (c)** Complete all academic requirements necessary for the receipt of an Associate's Degree before commissioning if attending a MJC and enrolled in the ECP.
- (d)** Successfully complete all ROTC requirements necessary for commissioning within 4 semesters of contracting in ROTC.
- (e)** Lieutenants commissioned through the ECP at a MJC must also complete academic requirements for a baccalaureate degree within 5 years after starting the Ike Skelton ECP Scholarships program.
- (f)** Request RC when completing the ROTC accessions packet, **USACC Form 67-10-1-R**, Block 17, Duty Preference, unless the GRFD Cadet Contract Endorsement revocation is complete to compete.
- (g)** Inform the RC chain-of-command of projected commission date to facilitate appointment into the ARNG or USAR and subsequent assignment to the RC.

10-3. Eligibility.

a. SMP

- (1) Participation.** For a Cadet to participate in the SMP, the individual must:
 - (a)** Be a U.S. citizen.
 - (b)** Be fully contracted GRFD Scholarship recipient (MS I, II, III, and IV), ROTC Advanced Course, or contracted as an MS II Cadet.
 - (c)** Be eligible for enlistment in or already assigned to, an ARNG or USAR unit as an officer trainee and have completed an SMP agreement. For ARNG/SMP applicants, the SMP agreement is executed on **NGB Form 594-1**, located in NGR 600-100, Figure 13-2. **DA Form 4824-R** for USAR/SMP applicants.
 - (d)** Attain sophomore class standing and enrolled as a full-time student in a course of instruction leading to a baccalaureate or advanced degree. (Not applicable for students enrolled in an MJC.)
 - (e)** Attain and maintain a CGPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale (2.5 GPA if recipient of a GRFD or Dedicated Scholarship).
 - (f)** Be of good moral character.

(g) Meet medical fitness standards of AR 40-501 as prescribed in AR 145-1.

(h) Meet height and weight standards of AR 600-9.

(i) Have completed basic combat training (BCT), ROTC Basic Camp, or MS I on campus, if enlisted, in ARNG/USAR unit prior to enrollment in the ROTC Advanced Course.

(j) Completion Cadets remain eligible to participate in the SMP if they were participating in the program while enrolled in the ROTC Advanced Course. Completion Cadets are not eligible to participate in the program if not enrolled prior to becoming a completion Cadet.

(2) Ineligibility. The following guidelines are provided to assist in determining a Cadet's ineligibility to participate in SMP:

(a) Cadets who are recipients of a 2-, 3-, or 4-year Green to Gold Scholarship; 2- or 3-year Campus-Based Scholarship; or 4-year National Scholarship.

(b) 2- and 3-year Campus-Based and 4-year National Scholarship recipients can convert to 2-YR, 2.5 YR, and 3-YR GRFD or Dedicated Scholarship to become eligible for the SMP Program through the GRFD Scholarship Program.

(c) Warrant Officers cannot participate in the SMP.

b. GRFD Program

(1) ROTC Enrollment. To enter the program, a Cadet must be fully eligible to enroll and contract as a MS I, II or III Cadet in the ROTC Advanced Course. GRFD Contract Endorsements will not be completed on conditional Cadets.

(2) GRFD Contract Endorsement. Based on availability, GRFD contract endorsements may be requested and issued as late as **1 September** of the Fall that the Cadet is to be accessed by the DA Branching and Selection Board. GRFD contract endorsements are given to non-scholarship Cadets as first priority and issued to scholarship Cadets in the priority in which they are received. GRFD Contract Endorsements will not be completed on conditional Cadets.

(3) Ineligible.

(a) All Green-to-Gold scholarship Cadets are ineligible to apply directly to the GRFD Scholarship program but may convert once contracted.

(b) Line scholarship Cadets may not participate in the GRFD Program unless their scholarship converts to GRFD scholarship.

10-4. Guidelines.

a. Participation. Participation in the SMP is mandatory for all GRFD Cadets. The Cadet must seek placement into an RC unit at the earliest possible time. No penalties shall occur for Cadets that participate in the SMP if RC unit positions are not available.

b. Breach of Contract. Cadets are in breach of the GRFD Cadet Contract Endorsement, if they refuse to participate in the SMP when RC unit vacancies exist. The ROTC PMS will determine, if a breach has taken place, initiate the appropriate board action to revoke the Cadets GRFD status and disenroll the Cadet.

c. Non-Scholarship. Non-Scholarship GRFD participants incur an 8-year statutory obligation (6 inactive drilling status and the final 2 in IRR) from the date of commission.

d. Scholarship. Scholarship GRFD participants and Ike Skelton ECP Scholarships winners incur an eight-year statutory obligation (all in active drilling status) from the date of commission.

e. SMP. Soldiers who are already members of a RC unit must participate in the SMP if they want to join ROTC unless they are a winner of a non-GRFD scholarship. Non-scholarship SMP Cadets may voluntarily elect the GRFD option.

10-5. GRFD Scholarship Program.

a. Description. GRFD and Dedicated GRFD scholarships are available for those Soldiers/Cadets who are interested in serving in the ARNG/USAR upon commissioning. Acceptance of these scholarships requires participation in the SMP. In most cases, GRFD scholarship Cadets cannot request active-duty through the accessions process.

(1) GRFD Scholarship Funding. Funding of all GRFD and Dedicated ARNG/USAR scholarships are through BDEs budget. To compete for these scholarships, SROTC Programs must coordinate with their ROTC BDE HQ to make sure funding is available.

(2) Scholarship Benefit Election. Scholarship money is available for either room and board or Tuition and Fees but not both.

(a) Room and Board GRFD scholarship option. In conjunction with room and board GRFD scholarship option, State Tuition Assistance (STA) (if applicable for ARNG) can pay for tuition. Cadets receive Room and Board in a \$12K annual flat rate (\$6,000 per semester term or \$4,000 per quarter term).

(b) Tuition and Fees GRFD scholarship option. IAW Army Continuing Education System (ACES) prohibits the use of Federal Tuition Assistance in conjunction with an ROTC scholarship.

b. GRFD Scholarship Types. Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements as stated in **AR-145-1**, Para. 6-3, and [USACC Reg 145-1](#).

(1) 2YR GRFD (ARNG/USAR)

(a) This program consists of 2-year undergraduate or 2-year graduate degree scholarships.

(b) The Adjutant General (ARNG)/Regional Readiness Command (USAR) and ROTC Brigades are responsible for marketing and utilizing GRFD Scholarships.

(c) Applicants must be members of the ARNG/USAR or be willing to join the ARNG/USAR as an SMP participant.

(d) Individuals selected for a GRFD Scholarship must serve their eight-year military service obligation in either the ARNG or USAR (one weekend a month and a two-week annual training period each year) except for period(s) of active duty required to obtain branch qualification (i.e. BOLC) or related to mobilization.

(e) Recipients of 2-year GRFD Scholarships maybe entitled to benefits from Chapter 30-Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB), Chapter 33-Post 9/11 GI Bill, Chapter 1606-Selected Reserve and Chapter 1607-MGIB if eligible.

(f) State (if applicable for ARNG) Tuition Assistance may be used in conjunction with this Scholarship.

(g) IAW Army Continuing Education System (ACES) prohibits the use of Federal Tuition Assistance in conjunction with an ROTC scholarship.

(2) GRFD Dedicated (USAR/ARNG)

(a) This program consists of a 4-year, 3.5-year, 3-year advance designee, 3-year, 2.5-year, and 2-year scholarships.

- Any GRFD scholarship that is 2.5 years or more must be Dedicated, IAW Title 10 Section 2107.
- A Cadet may request a 2-year Dedicated GRFD.
- At the time of commissioning, Cadets who receive a Dedicated GRFD Scholarship may ONLY join the reserve component specified in the scholarship at the time of contracting.

(b) ARNG: TAGS and SROTC Programs are responsible for marketing and utilizing GRFD Dedicated ARNG scholarships. Applicants must be members of the ARNG or be willing to join the ARNG as an SMP participant.

(c) USAR: RRCS and SROTC Programs are responsible for marketing and utilizing GRFD Dedicated USAR scholarships. Applicants must be members of the USAR or be willing to join the USAR as an SMP participant.

(d) Individuals selected for the GRFD Dedicated Scholarship must serve their eight-year military service obligation in the USAR/ARNG in an active drilling capacity (one weekend a month and a two-week annual training period each year) except for period(s) of active duty required to obtain branch qualification (i.e. Basic Officer Leadership Course (BOLC)) or related to mobilization.

(e) Recipients of Dedicated GRFD scholarships are eligible for benefits through Chapter 30-MGIB and Chapter 33-Post 9/11 GI Bill. Chapter 1606 and Chapter 1607 benefits will terminate, and any future MGIB-SR entitlements is also forfeited.

(f) State (if applicable for ARNG) Tuition Assistance may be used in conjunction with these scholarship benefits.

(g) IAW Army Continuing Education System (ACES) prohibits the use of Federal Tuition Assistance in conjunction with an ROTC scholarship.

(3) GRFD Nurses. GRFD Scholarships may not be used for Nurse majors. Any nurse who wishes to be GRFD or part of the SMP program can be on a Nurse Scholarship and ask for Reserve Component during the Accession process during their MSIV year.

10-6. Ike Skelton Early Commissioning Program.

a. Program. A military college or military junior college for the purposes of this section, a school must be a civilian postsecondary educational institution essentially military in nature and meet such other requirements as the Secretary of the Army may prescribe. For purposes of this section, a MJC does not confer a baccalaureate degree.

(1) This program consists of 2-year associate degree scholarships. The student must sign an addendum to the contract indicating their agreement to transfer to a 4-year baccalaureate producing university with Army ROTC upon completion of MS IV.

(2) Each MJC is required by law to contract a minimum of 22 scholarship Cadets per mission set into the USAR or ARNG.

(3) HQ USACC will issue GRFD control numbers for these scholarship winners when the MJC PMS notifies the GRFD Scholarship Program Manager of the applicant's enlistment into the USAR or ARNG within the first term.

b. Military Service Obligation. Individuals selected for Ike Skelton scholarships must serve their eight-year military service obligation in either the ARNG or USAR unless approval of GRFD revocation and the ECP 2LT accesses into Active Component. They must serve in an active drilling capacity (one weekend a month and a two-week annual training period each year) except for period(s) of active duty.

c. SMP. Scholarship Cadets at MJC must participate in the Simultaneous Membership Program. Counseling Cadets of the SMP requirement must occur prior to MJC requesting a scholarship control number for this applicant. PMS's are responsible for assisting those Ike Skelton Scholarship recipients who participate in the SMP with finding RC units. Ike Skelton Scholarship recipients who participate in the SMP must start drilling with their unit prior to end of the term their scholarship starts.

d. Waivers. PMS submits an analysis of how that underlying deficiency will affect the Cadet's performance in their Corps of Cadets, their academics at the MJC, and the Cadet's performance at Advanced Camp. The consideration of requests for any waiverable items are in [Chapter 2-4](#).

e. Revocation. Ike Skelton Scholarship Cadets who wish to revoke their GRFD Cadet Contract Endorsement and compete for an active-duty selection must request revocation of the GRFD endorsement through the BDE. The deadlines for submissions are **1 NOV** of the Fall term prior to commissioning in May and **1 JUN** of spring term prior to commissioning in December. See **USACC Pam 145-1** for instructions.

f. Transfer. Law prohibits transfer of Scholarship recipients into or out of the Ike Skelton ECP.

10-7. Early Commissioning Program/Completion Cadet Program.

a. Early Commissioning Program. A Cadet enrolled at an MJC who has completed all ROTC requirements, commissions under the ECP upon graduation.

(1) HRC assigns ECP lieutenants to USAR units or transfers them to the local National Guard JFHQ for appointment and assignment to ARNG units.

(2) See **USACC Reg 145-9**, Accessioning and Commissioning (Chapter 5) for documents required prior to and after commissioning.

(3) MJC commissionees who have not secured a lieutenant position in an RC unit prior to graduation and commissioning from the MJC will request the assistance of the gaining PMS at the four-year institution in finding unit vacancies at RC units in the area. DA Form 4651-R and the unit letter of acceptance will process through the unit's command channels to HRC for assignment to the USAR unit or transfer to the ARNG for appointment and assignment.

b. Completion Cadet Program. SMP Cadets who are in a completion status may continue their SMP status in their RC unit. Only Completion Cadets who were previously SMP participants may continue to participate after all ROTC course requirements are completed.

(1) Completion Cadets who continue participating in the SMP retain their unit pay and any benefits to which they are entitled through unit membership.

(2) Completion Cadets do not receive an ROTC subsistence allowance.

(3) Cadets must remain satisfactory participants in their units and may remain in a completion Cadet status no more than 24 months unless proper authority grants an extension.

10-8. Revocation of GRFD Control Numbers.

a. Non-Scholarship Cadets. Non-Scholarship GRFD Cadets who wish to revoke their GRFD Cadet Contract Endorsement and compete for an active component selection must request revocation of the GRFD endorsement through the BDE by **1 June** in the year in which they are to access through the DA/ROTC Selection and Branching Board, using **USACC Form 204-R** (Revocation of GRFD Non-scholarship Cadet Endorsement).

(1) The PMS will forward Cadets request for revocation through their BDE to USACC HQ for consideration. Complete this process before transmitting the Cadet's accession packet to the National OML Ranking process and DA/ROTC Selection and Branching Board.

(2) GRFD Cadets who request and selected for active component may be subject to recoupment for any benefits received from the SRMGIB, MGIB Kicker, federal tuition assistance, and ARNG state tuition assistance programs. Counseling of SMP Cadets must occur before initiating a revocation request.

b. Scholarship Cadets. GRFD and Dedicated GRFD scholarship Cadets cannot revoke their GRFD endorsement to compete for an active component accession. The only scholarship exceptions are Ike Skelton ECP, HPSP, and USUHS Scholarship Cadets **IAW USC Title 10 2107a**.

c. Approval Authority. The CG, USACC, or designee, is the final approving authority for non-scholarship revocation requests. Revocation of the GRFD contract is not a guarantee. Requests sent to the Command have a strict suspense date of **1 June**.

10-9. GRFD Scholarship Conversions.

a. Scholarship Conversion. Contracted Scholarship Cadets may request to convert their scholarship to a GRFD scholarship or Dedicated GRFD scholarship following the procedures outlined in the **USACC Pam 145-1 Chapter 10**.

(1) Cadets awarded scholarships in excess of two years may only convert to a Dedicated GRFD Scholarship.

(2) G2G Scholarship Cadets may convert their scholarship to a GRFD or a Dedicated GRFD scholarship.

b. Contracted GRFD scholarship Cadets may not convert their GRFD scholarship to a Line (Nurse, STEM, Language, etc.) scholarship.

c. Contracted Nurse Scholarship Cadets may not convert their Nurse Scholarship to a GRFD Scholarship.

10-10. SMP Additional Information.

a. Grade. SMP participants receive enlisted grade E-5 pay. Members of RC units who held a higher grade prior to becoming an SMP participant will continue to receive pay at the higher grade. Disenrolled SMP participants from the SROTC Program will return to the pay grade held prior to SMP participation.

b. Rank. Commanders will ensure that Cadets are extended the same respect and courtesy (except saluting) normally reserved for commissioned officers of the United States Armed Forces.

(1) Soldiers/Officers will address Cadets as Mister, Ms, or Cadet.

(2) Cadets will salute all officers and warrant officers.

c. Incentives.

(1) All Selected Reserve Incentive Programs that could apply to potential SMP participants listed above will terminate when the individual enters the ROTC/SMP on enrollment in the SROTC Program or becomes an assigned member of Control Group (ROTC).

(2) Individuals who were eligible for MGIB benefits prior to contracting in the SROTC Program do not lose their eligibility simply based on contracting. These Cadets will also be eligible to receive the MGIB SMP Kicker if otherwise qualified. This includes Cadets who are receiving financial assistance under an Ike Skelton Scholarship (**Title 10, U.S. Code 2107a**).

d. SMP TPU Size Guidance.

(1) RC units may assign Cadets to a unit but attach elsewhere to facilitate training; e.g., a unit geographically closer to the SROTC Program.

(2) The total number of Cadets drilling with a USAR RC unit will not exceed three SMP members per commissioned officer supervisor. Assignment of a Cadet will count against over-strength of officer positions.

(3) Unique ARNG requirements:

(a) ARNG authorizes assignment of SMP participants based on commissioned officer vacancies, or projected vacancies within the unit.

(b) This includes authorized over-strength positions. The total number of SMP participants per state will not exceed 4% of wartime required aggregate (officer & enlisted) strength without prior approval of the NGB Chief.

(c) The unit commander will determine the number of ARNG SMP members based upon the number that can effectively supervise and train.

(d) To attach SMP members to other units, the State MILPO must control the total number attached.

e. Training Priorities.

(1) All SMP members are required to attend both Annual Training (AT) and ROTC advance camp. When dates conflict, priority will go to the ROTC advance camp and AT attendance will be rescheduled IAW NGR 350-1(ARNG) and AR 601-210(USAR). Commanders will interview all Cadets to determine the best time to reschedule their AT. AT rescheduling will not conflict with college classes or coursework.

(2) Attendance at ROTC airborne or air assault is encouraged and authorized. Report constructive credit to these members on a DA Form 1379 for IDT or AT.

(3) Weekend Training. If conflicts occur between a unit drill weekend and an ROTC FTX, Dining In, or military ball, the following applies:

(a) If the ROTC event is part of the required program of instruction in MS III or MS IV, attendance is mandatory for the Cadets and the ROTC training will have priority. However, the Cadet is responsible for notifying the unit in advance and providing a training attendance certificate. The PMS must also verify that the Cadet conducts ROTC training.

(b) If the ROTC training is not part of the required program of instruction and is voluntary, the RC weekend drill will have priority.

(c) When a weekend drill is missed, the unit commander has the option to grant an exception, which authorizes normal drill pay, authorize an excused absence (no pay involved), or authorize equivalent training (ET) for pay. Authorization of duties at a ROTC program can count towards an exception or ET.

Appendix A -- References

Section I – Required Publications

- a. **AR 40-29**, Medical Examination of Applicants for U.S. Service Academies, ROTC Scholarship Programs, including the Air Force, Army, and Navy 2- and 3-Year College Scholarship Program, and the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
- b. **AR 40-501**, Standards of Medical Fitness
- c. **AR 135-100**, Appointment of Commissioned and Warrant Officers of the Army
- d. **AR 145-1**, Senior ROTC Program: Organization, Administration, and Training
- e. **AR 601-25**, Delay in Reporting For and Exemption From Active Duty, Initial Active Duty Training, and Reserve Forces Duty
- f. **AR 601-141**, U.S. Army Health Professions Scholarship Program
- g. **AR 635-10**, Processing Personnel for Separation
- h. **AR 635-200**, Enlisted Personnel
- i. **USACC Reg 145-3**, ROTC Pre-commissioning Training and Leadership Development
- j. **USACC Reg 145-4**, Marketing, Advertising, and Publicity to Support Enrollment
- k. **USACC Reg 145-6**, Army ROTC Green to Gold Policy
- l. **USACC Reg 145-9**, ROTC Accessioning and Commissioning
- m. **USACC Reg 145-12**, Cadet Data Base (under revision)
- n. **USACC Pam 145-1**, ROTC Army ROTC Incentives Procedures
- o. **USACC Pam 145-4**, PMS Guide for Enrollment, Retention, and Disenrollment
- p. **Reserve Officers Training Corps/DODMERB Guide of Medical Processing**
- q. **USAREC Regulation 601-37**, Army Medical Department Recruiting Program
- r. **USAREC Regulation 601-105**, Health Professions Scholarship Program
- s. **DA Pamphlet 611-21**, Military Occupational Classification and Structure

Section II – Related Publications

- a. **AR 25-400-2** (The Modern Army Recordkeeping Systems (MARKS))
- b. **AR 600-8-2** (Suspension of Favorable Personnel Actions)
- c. **AR 600-9** (The Army Weight Control Program)
- d. **AR 600-43** (Conscientious Objection)
- e. **AR 601-210** (Regular Army and Army Reserve Enlistment Program)
- f. **National Guard Regulation 600-100** (Commissioned Officers Federal Recognition and Related Personnel Actions)
- g. **National Guard Regulation 600-200**, Enlisted Personnel Management
- h. Marketing Action Plan
- i. DoDI 1340.27

Appendix B -- Glossary

Section I – Abbreviations

ACRONYM	Description
ACES	Army Continuing Education System
ACFT	Army Combat Fitness Test
ACS	Assistant Chiefs of Staff
ADM	Academic Discipline Mix
ADO	Active Duty Option
ADSO	Active Duty Service Obligation
AFCEA	Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association
AFS	Active Federal Service
AMEDD	Army Medical Department
AR	Army Regulation
ARNG	Army National Guard
ASI	Additional Skill Identifiers
AUSA	Association of the United States Army
BCT	Basic Combat Training
BDE	Brigade
BEUM	Battalion End User's Manual
BNC	Brigade Nurse Counselor Cadet Command
BOLC	Basic Officer Leaders Course
BSN	Bachelor of Science Nursing Degree
CBEF	Cadet Background Experience Form
CCIMM	Cadet Command Information Management Module
CES	Cadet Evaluation System
CG	Commanding General
CGPA	Cumulative Grade Point Average
CLIP-B	Culture and Language Incentive Pay-Bonus
CY	Calendar Year
CONUS	Continental United States
CRB	Cadet Record Brief
DA	Department of the Army
DLPT	Defense Language Proficiency Test
DOD	Department of Defense
DODMERB	Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board
EAP	Educational Assistance Program
ECP	Early Commissioning Program
EOB	Extension of Benefits
EPS&N	Engineer, Physical Science and Nursing
ERB	Enlisted Record Brief
ET	Equivalent Training
ETP	Exception to Policy
FTA	Federal Tuition Assistance
FTX	Field Training Exercise
FY	Fiscal Year
G2G	Green to Gold
GPA	Grade Point Average
GRFD	Guaranteed Reserve Force duty
HBCU	Historically Black College/University
HCR	Health Care Recruiter
HPSP	Health Profession Scholarship Program
HQ USACC	Headquarters, U.S. Army Cadet Command
HRC	Human Resource Command
HT/WT	Height Weight

IAW	In Accordance With
IDT	Inactive Duty Training
IRR	Individual Ready Reserve
JFHQ	Joint Force Headquarters
JFTR	Joint Federal Travel Regulation
LOA	Leave of Absence or Letter of Acceptance
LT	Lieutenant
MGIB	Montgomery GI Bill
MJC	Military Junior College
MS	Military Science
MOS	Military Occupational Skill
NACLC EPSQ	National Agency Check, Local Agency Check, and Credit Check
NAPS	Normal Academic Progression System
NCLEX-RN	National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses
NGB	National Guard Bureau
NLT	No Later Than
OBC	Officer Basic Course
OPI	Oral Proficiency Interview
OPORD	Operations Order
PFT	Presidential Fitness Test
PharmD	Doctor of Pharmacy
PMS	Professor of Military Science
RA	Regular Army
RMID	Recruiting, Marketing, Incentives Directorate
ROTC	Reserve Officers' Training Corps
RC	Reserve Component
RRC	Regional Readiness Command (USAR)
SAL	Scholar-Athlete-Leader
SAT	Scholastic Aptitude Test
SMP	Simultaneous Membership Program
SofN	School of Nursing
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics
SY	School Year
TPU	Troop Program Unit
TAG	The Adjutant General (ARNG)
USACC	U.S. Army Cadet Command
USAR	U.S. Army Reserve
USAREC	U.S. Army Recruiting Command
USUHS	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

Section II -- Terms

a. Academically and Militarily Aligned. Status of an ROTC Cadet who has completed a similar number of academic and ROTC classes and has a like number of years remaining for degree and ROTC completion; i.e., MS I Cadet would be an academic freshman, etc. Cadets in a documented 5-year degree program and receiving extended benefits are classified as MS V. Contracted Cadets who have completed all ROTC requirements but have not completed degree requirements are classified as completion Cadets.

b. Advanced Designated Scholarships. (3AD) A 4-year scholarship that pays 3 years of benefits provided the applicant successfully passes the first year which is a probationary year in which the Cadet receives no benefits. (2AD) A 3-year scholarship that pays 2 years of benefits provided the applicant successfully passes the sophomore year which is a probationary year in which the Cadet receives no benefits.

c. Alternate. An applicant declared eligible by HQ'S USACC but did not receive a scholarship from available allocations/funds or the adjustment pool.

d. Conditional Winner. An applicant who has been selected to receive a scholarship. However, due to an unresolved medical and/or administrative problem, the award is not final. Award must be final & notification received prior to contracting as a scholarship Cadet.

e. Completion Cadet. A Cadet who has completed their ROTC requirements but who has not completed their degree requirements. Completion Cadets do not receive stipend or scholarship benefits.

f. Cooperative Program. A work/study program that causes a student to take more than four normal academic years to complete.

g. Dedicated GRFD Scholarships. A GRFD scholarship that is 2.5 years or more in which the Cadet commits at the time of contracting to either the ARNG or USAR.

h. Enrolled Cadet. Any individual currently enrolled in ROTC who has signed **CC Form 139** Army ROTC Loyalty oath and Conscientious Objector Statement).

i. Mission Set. A Cadet's commissioning date determines the mission set. Mission Set year runs from 1 Oct - 30 Sep, i.e., May 2023 commissioning date places a Cadet in Mission Set 23. December 2023 commissioning date places a Cadet in Mission Set 24.

j. MS 6 Cadet. A Cadet who has completed degree requirements but who still needs to complete ROTC requirements to commission. MS 6 Cadets do not receive stipend or scholarship benefits.

k. Nonenrolled Student. Any individual not currently enrolled in an ROTC Military Science Course. If student has completed some MS courses but is not currently taking MS, he is considered non-enrolled.

l. Qualified Winner. A fully qualified scholarship recipient. No further action is required by HQs USACC or Brigade, as the individual is fully qualified for the scholarship. The PMS must ensure the winner is still fully qualified at the time of enrollment and contracting as a scholarship Cadet.