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SUBJ: DOD- CY12-13 INFORMATION ASSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

REF/A/DOD INFORMATION ASSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION PROGRAM

REF/B/AR 621-7/DATE 8 AUGUST 1997/ARMY FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

1. (U) THE DOD INFORMATION ASSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SERVES AS A MULTIFACETED PROGRAM INSTITUTIONALIZED WITHIN DOD TO BRING IN AND RETAIN A CORPS OF HIGHLY SKILLED IA/IT PROFESSIONALS (MILITARY AND CIVILIAN) TO ACCOMMODATE THE DIVERSE WARFIGHTING AND UNIQUE MISSION REQUIREMENTS, WHILE PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO STRENGTHEN IA/IT RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN CRITICAL AREAS OF INTEREST TO THE ARMY AND DOD.
2. (U) ACTIVE COMPONENT (AC) AND UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE-ACTIVE GUARD RESERVE (USAR-AGR) SERVICE MEMBERS MUST SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO THEIR CAREER MANAGER AT THE U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCE CENTER, FORT KNOX, KY IN ORDER TO COMPETE FOR THIS PROGRAM NOT LATER THAN 05 JANUARY 2012. HRC WILL REVIEW AND FORWARD THE APPLICATIONS OF THOSE GRANTED PERMISSION TO COMPETE TO THE ARMY CYBER DIRECTORATE. ALL OTHER SERVICE MEMBERS AND CIVILIANS MUST SUBMIT THEIR PACKET TO: ARMY CYBER DIRECTORATE, 2530 CRYSTAL DRIVE, 6TH FLOOR TAYLOR BUILDING, ARLINGTON, VA, ATTN: DORIS WRIGHT, ARLINGTON VIRGINIA, 22202 NO LATER THAN 17 JANUARY 2012.
3. (U) THE DOD INFORMATION ASSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CONSIST OF TWO PARTS.
 - 3.1 (U) THE FIRST PROGRAM IS THE RECRUITMENT PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM PROVIDES SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING TO CURRENT STUDENTS (NON-DOD INDIVIDUALS) STUDYING AT SELECT CENTERS OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN IA EDUCATION AND RESEARCH THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES. THESE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED TO RISING JUNIORS AND SENIORS TO COMPLETE THEIR BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND TO GRADUATE STUDENTS TO BEGIN OR COMPLETE A MASTER'S OR PHD PROGRAM IN EXCHANGE FOR A SERVICE COMMITMENT TO DOD FOLLOWING GRADUATION. ORGANIZATIONS REQUIRING A COLLEGE INTERN MUST HAVE A BILLET FOR THE INDIVIDUAL UPON GRADUATION. ALL ORGANIZATIONS MUST IDENTIFY BILLETS FOR FUTURE HIRING NO LATER THAN JANUARY 17, 2012.

3.2. (U) THE SECOND PROGRAM IS THE RETENTION PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS FOR DOD CIVILIANS AND MILITARY MEMBERS WHO ARE EMPLOYED BY THE ARMY TO ATTEND SCHOOL FULL TIME OR PART TIME TO EARN GRADUATE LEVEL DEGREES. THE MASTER AND DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AT WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO AND THE INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COLLEGE OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON DC, IN CONJUNCTION WITH ONE OF THE IASP PARTNER UNIVERSITIES AND THE NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL IN MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA.

4. (U)RETENTION PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: ACTIVE COMPONENT MILITARY (ENLISTED; OFFICER; AND WARRANT OFFICER); USAR-AGR (ENLISTED AND OFFICER); AND PERMANENT DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE RETENTION PROGRAM. ACTIVE COMPLONENT (AC) BRANCH OFFICERS MUST HAVE NO MORE THAN NINETEEN ACTIVE FEDERAL COMMISSIONED SERVICE (AFCS) YEARS AS OF JANUARY 2013.

REGULAR ARMY WARRANT OFFICERS MUST NOT EXCEED 24 YEARS OF ACTIVE WARRANT OFFICER SERVICE (AWOS) AS OF JANUARY 2013. OTHER THAN REGULAR ARMY WARRANT OFFICERS MUST NOT EXCEED 16 ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE YEARS AS OF JANUARY 2013. USAR-AGR BRANCH OFFICERS MUST HAVE A MANADATORY REMOVAL DATE OF 01 SEPTEMBER 2021 OR LATER (IF APPLYING FOR THE MASTERS DEGREE) OR 01 SEPTEMBER 2015 OR LATER (IF APPLYING FOR THE DOCTORATE DEGREE). TPU, IMA, AND IRR RESERVE OFFICERS MAY SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION IF THEY AGREE IN WRITING TO BE ACCEPTED INTO THE AGR PROGRAM IF SELECTED INTO THE IASP. FOR GUIDANCE ON BECOMING USAR-AGR PLEASE CONTACT CAPTAIN DANIEL E. GRAHAM, USAR-AGR ACCESSIONS AT HR.OPMD.OPDRAA@CONUS.ARMY.MIL. ENLISTED MEMBERS MUST HAVE NO MORE THAN 22 YEARS OF ACTIVE ARMY SERVICE AS OF JANUARY 2013 AND AN END TERM OF SERVICE OF 01 SEPTEMBER 2021 OR LATER (IF APPLYING FOR THE MASTERS DEGREE) OR 01 SEPTEMBER 2025 OR LATER (IF APPLYING FOR THE DOCTORATE DEGREE).

5. (U)PROGRAM COSTS: PERSONNEL SELECTED FOR THE RETENTION PROGRAM RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING FOR TUITION AND REQUIRED BOOKS AND FEES IN EXCHANGE FOR SERVICE PAYBACK. STUDENTS WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THEIR MILITARY PAY OR CIVILIAN SALARIES. CIVILIANS MUST MAKE SURE THAT THEIR CIVILIAN PERSONNEL CENTER AND THEIR CAREER PROGRAM MANAGER ARE INFORMED. MILITARY MEMBERS MUST ENSURE THEIR BRANCH MANAGER IS INFORMED. ANY OTHER COSTS INCLUDING TDY NECESSARY TO ATTEND ANY OF THE PROGRAMS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE NOMINEE AND/OR CURRENT COMMAND, IAW AR 621-7, CHAPTER 2, PARAGRAPH 2-9 (A)(3). MILITARY PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION (PCS) ORDERS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ATTENDANCE AT A PARTNER UNIVERSITY AS SOON AS THE STUDENT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES TRAINING AT IRMC ONLY. ARMY CIO/G6 WILL WORK WITH THE HUMAN RESOURCE COMMAND TO COMPLETE THIS PROCESS. MILITARY PCS ORDERS FOR THE NAVAL AND AIR FORCE ACADEMIES WILL BE COMPLETED ONCE ACCEPTED INTO THE PROGRAM BY DOD.

6. (U)RETENTION PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP QUOTAS: THE NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILBALE WILL BE CONTINGENT ON THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDING THROUGH DOD. DOD SCHOLARSHIP BOARD SCREENS IASP PACKAGES FROM ALL SERVICES PRIOR TO SELECTIONS.

7. (U)PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS:

7.1 (U) THE AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY OFFERS MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREES WITH MAJORS IN CYBER OPERATIONS, INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, COMPUTER ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE. CIVILIAN AND MILITARY OF ANY GRADE CAN PARTICIPANT IN THIS PROGRAM HOWEVER APPLICANTS PURSUING A MASTER'S DEGREE MUST HAVE AN APPROPRIATE BACHELOR'S DEGREE WITH A MINIMUM 3.0 GPA. APPLICANTS PURSUING A DOCTORATE MUST HAVE AN APPROPRIATE MASTER'S DEGREE AND A 3.5 GPA. GRADUATE RECORD EXAM (GRE) SCORES MUST SHOW AT LEAST A 550 VERBAL/650 QUANTITATIVE. APPLICANTS MUST HAVE AT LEAST A SECRET CLEARANCE OR ELIGIBLE FOR SECRET CLEARANCE UPON ACCEPTANCE TO THE PROGRAM. MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE IA PROGRAM MAY BE FOUND AT [HTTP://WWW.AFIT.EDU/EN/CCR/INDEX/CFM](http://www.afit.edu/en/ccr/index/cfm).

7.2 (U) THE INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COLLEGE OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY: THIS PROGRAM FOCUSES ON DOD CIVILIANS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL IN THE GRADE OF GS/GM-12 OR ABOVE AND SERVICE MEMBERS IN GRADE 0-4 OR ABOVE. IRMC REQUIRES THAT A MASTER'S DEGREE

APPLICANT HAVE A BACHELOR DEGREE WITH A MINIMUM GRADE POINT AVERAGE OF 3.0 AND PHD APPLICANTS MUST HAVE A MASTER'S DEGREE WITH A GPA OF 3.2. ALL DEGREES MUST BE FROM REGIONALLY ACCREDITED COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES. GRE SCORES OR A GRADUATE MANAGEMENT ADMISSION TEST IS REQUIRED AND A SECRET CLEARANCE IS REQUIRED AS WELL. SELECTED STUDENTS WILL COMPLETE THE FIRST PART OF THEIR DEGREE THROUGH IRMC AND THEN ENTER A PARTNER UNIVERSITY TO COMPLETE THE REMAINING DEGREE REQUIREMENTS. STUDENTS WILL COMPLETE THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER (CIO) CERTIFICATE AND 4011 CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS THROUGH THE ADVANCED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (AMP), A 14-WEEK RESIDENT PROGRAM AT THE FORT MCNAIR, WASHINGTON DC, CAMPUS, PLUS ONE ADDITIONAL COURSE THAT THEY MAY TAKE VIA DISTANCE LEARNING, EITHER IN ADVANCE OF OR AT THE SAME TIME AS AMP. STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE BOTH THE CIO AND 4011 CERTIFICATES PRIOR TO CONTINUING THEIR STUDY WITH ONE OF THE IRMC PARTNER COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES. NOMINEES MAY ALSO INCLUDE CANDIDATES WHO HAVE EARNED THE IRMC CIO AND 4011 CERTIFICATES IN FY08 OR LATER. FURTHER SPECIFICS ON THE IRMC CIO AND IA PROGRAMS MAY BE FOUND AT WWW.NDU.EDU/IRMC.

7.3(U) THE NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL: THIS PROGRAM IS FOCUSED ON DOD CIVILIANS IN THE GRADE OF GS-9 OR HIGHER, E-4 THROUGH E-9, WARRANT OFFICER ONE THROUGH WARRANT OFFICER 4 AND OFFICER 0-1 OR HIGHER. APPLICANTS MAY APPLY FOR EITHER THE MASTER OF SCIENCE OR PHD IN COMPUTER SCIENCE. MILITARY ENLISTED PERSONNEL CAN ONLY APPLY FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE PROGRAM. THE PHD REQUIRES THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE THE MS REQUIRES AT LEAST SEVEN TO EIGHT ACADEMIC QUARTERS WHICH EQUATES TO TWO YEARS. THE NPS DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE IS DESCRIBED IN MORE DETAILS AT WWW.NPS.NAVY.MIL/CS

8. (U) OBLIGATIONS: ALL STUDENTS SELECTED FOR THE PROGRAM MUST MAINTAIN GOOD STANDING IN THEIR DEGREE PROGRAMS, TO CONTINUE IN SERVICE AS CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OR MILITARY MEMBERS. MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY SERVICES SHALL SERVE ON ACTIVE DUTY WHILE FULFILLING DESIGNATED ARMY SERVICE OBLIGATIONS. DOD CIVILIAN AND MILITARY EMPLOYEES SHALL SIGN A CONTINUED SERVICE AGREEMENT (SF 182) THAT COMPLIES WITH 10 U.S.C.2200, PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THEIR EDUCATION, TO CONTINUE SERVICE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE UPON CONCLUSION OF THEIR EDUCATION FOR A PERIOD OF THREE CALENDAR YEARS FOR EACH ACADEMIC YEAR FOR WHICH THE SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE WAS PROVIDED.

9. (U) APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

9.1(U) COVERSHEET

A. WITH APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION (I.E, OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS, OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER (VOICE AND FAX)).

B. SUPERVISOR CONTACT INFORMATION (I.E, NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER.

C. LIST OF PREVIOUS COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED (I.E, SCHOOL NAME, DEGREE, GPA)

D. PROPOSED UNIVERSITY (IRMC+ PARTNER UNIVERSITY, NPS OR AFIT).

APPLICANTS MAY PROVIDE UP TO THREE CHOICES (I.E, PROPOSED DEGREE PROGRAM, PROPOSED START DATE, PROPOSED STUDENT STATUS). THE APPLICANT MUST NOTE IF ATTENDING AFIT AND/OR NPS FULL-TIME AND ATTENDING IRMS FULL-TIME OR PART -TIME TO INCLUDE THE SAME REQUIREMENT FOR THE PARTNER UNIVERSITY.

9.2(U) CONTINUED SERVICE AGREEMENT (SF 182,)

9.3 (U) STANDARDS MILITARY OR CIVILIAN PERSONNEL RESUME,

9.4(U) CURRENT SF 50 (DOD CIVILIANS ONLY), DATED WITHIN ONE MONTH OF THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION,

9.5(U) APPLICANT'S PERSONAL GOALS STATEMENT (4-6 DOUBLE SPACE PAPER),

9.6(U) RECOMMENDATION FROM THE INDIVIDUAL'S SUPERVISOR WITH THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE NEXT LEVEL SUPERVISOR: RECOMMENDATIONS MUST BE ON SEPARATE MEMORANDUMS. ALL RECOMMENDATIONS AND ENDORSEMENTS SHOULD HIGHLIGHT HOW THE STUDENT'S IA EDUCATION WILL BE USED,

9.7(U) COPY OF GRE OR GMAT SCORES,

9.8(U) UNOPENED SEALED OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS FOR ALL UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE WORK,

9.9(U) COPY OF EACH TRANSCRIPT THAT REFLECTS UNDERGRADUATE AND/OR GRADUATE COURSEWORK AS APPROPRIATE,

9.10(U) DOCUMENTATION OF THE SECURITY CLEARANCE: A MEMORANDUM SIGNED BY THE SECURITY MANAGER IS APPROPRIATE OR A PRINT OUT FROM JPAS,

9.11 (U) DA FORMS 4187 REQUESTING TO COMPETE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: "I REQUEST TO COMPETE FOR THE CY 12/13 IASP. I UNDERSTAND IF I AM SELECTED I WILL INCUR AN ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE OBLIGATION (ADSO) OF THREE FOR ONE COMPUTED IN DAYS, IAW AR 350-100. I UNDERSTAND THIS ADSO IS SERVED CONCURRENTLY WITH OTHER CIVILIAN ADSOS. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT ANY TDY REQUIRED FOR THIS PROGRAM, NOT COVERED BY THIS SCHOLARSHIP, REMAINS MY SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OR THAT OF MY CURRENT COMMAND. I AUTHORIZED HRC TO SUBMIT MY APPLICATION PACKET TO ANYONE INVOLVED IN THE SELECTION OF THIS PROGRAM." THE DA FORM 4187 MUST BE SIGNED BY CANDIDATE AND THE CANDIDATE'S COL/06 OR CIVILIAN EQUIVALENT. (ACTIVE COMPONENT AND U.S. ARMY RESERVE-ACTIVE GUARD RESERVE SERVICE MEMBERS ONLY).

10. (U) POINTS OF CONTACTS: MS PHYLLIS BAILEY, PHYLLIS.E.BAILEY2.CIV@MAIL.MIL,703-545-1698 OR MS DORIS WRIGHT,703-545-1703. HRC POC IS MR. STROUT AT JOEL.STROUT@US.ARMY.MIL

11. (U) EXPIRATION DATE MARCH 2012