

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY SERVICE AGREEMENT  
F. EDWARD HEBERT ARMED FORCES UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES  
FOR THE POSTGRADUATE CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM**

(For use of this form see USAREC Reg 601-37 and DODI 5105.45)

The proponent agencies are the Offices of the Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) and The Surgeon General of the Army.

**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT**

**AUTHORITY:** Chapter 104, Title 10, United States Code.

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:** Service Agreement is used as the contract between the US Army and students selected to enter the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) Program that offers a postgraduate clinical psychology education in return for an active duty service obligation (ADO).

**ROUTINE USES:** A signed and witnessed Service Agreement, which includes the student's social security number, must be submitted by selectees to enter the Program. The student certifies to specific eligibility statements and that he or she agrees to and understands requirements and active duty obligation the (ADO). The social security number is used for identification purposes. The signed and witnessed Service Agreement becomes a part of the member's official military personnel file at the applicable Service Personnel Center.

**MANDATORY OR VOLUNTARY DISCLOSURE:** Voluntary. If not submitted with other appointment and program entry documents, appointment in the Regular Army and enrollment in the USUHS Program will not be processed.

**NAME OF APPLICANT** (*Print or Type*) :

**SSN:**

1. I hereby certify that:

- a. I am a citizen of the United States of America.
- b. I will be at least 18 and no more than 47 years upon appointment as a commissioned officer.
- c. I am of good moral character.
- d. To the best of my knowledge, I meet the standards for medical fitness and security requirements for a regular commission in the US Army.
- e. I have attained a baccalaureate degree from an accredited academic institution in the United States, Canada, or Puerto Rico.
- f. I have successfully completed the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) within 3 years of matriculation.
- g. I am sincerely motivated and dedicated to pursue a medical career in the US Army.
- h. I am not obligated or committed for service in the US Army beyond the expected date of admission as a result of current or prior participation in programs of study or training sponsored by the Army with the exception of Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) and the United States Military Academy (USMA). I understand that my ROTC and the USMA active duty obligation (ADO), if any, as well as any contractual Reserve Service Obligation, will be added to the service commitment incurred as a result of participation in the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences (USUHS) Program.
- i. I am not obligated for future service to any health institution or community or other entity by virtue of any scholarship, grant, contract, or other agreement, and I will not make any such contract or other agreement without approval of The Surgeon General of the Army (TSG) until I have completed my service obligation under this Program.
- j. I am free of any court judgment in favor of the United States creating a lien against my property arising from a civil or criminal proceeding regarding a debt and am not in default of any federal debt.
- k. I understand that if I falsely certify or fail to comply with this agreement, or if any of my above certifications are invalid, then I may be subject to disenrollment from the Program.

2. As a member of USUHS, I agree that, unless sooner separated, I will remain in and complete this Program leading to a postgraduate degree in clinical psychology. I specifically acknowledge that I may not unilaterally terminate my participation in the Program by refusing to apply for or accept the monetary or other benefits of the Program set forth elsewhere in this agreement.

3. I understand selection for admission to the USUHS is contingent upon meeting all eligibility requirements. I further understand this agreement is void if it is determined I am ineligible for admission or entry into the military. By executing this contract, I represent that I meet eligibility criteria for admission into the USUHS and commissioning, as defined by statute, Army regulation, Department of Defense (DOD) policy, instructions, or directives and this Service Agreement.

a. I represent that I have disclosed or will disclose any and all pre-existing medical conditions and nonmedical conditions that would make me ineligible for appointment/reappointment in the US Army and admission as specified in statute, Army regulations, and current DOD and Army policy governing appointment, admission and this contract. If I am ineligible for appointment or admission based on a particular medical or nonmedical condition, but such ineligibility may be waived, I must obtain an approved waiver before executing this agreement. Failure to have disclosed or to disclose any disqualifying condition will subject me to loss of admission, discharge, and possible recoupment of benefits. I understand that referral to a physical evaluation board for a fitness determination is mandatory if, subsequent to admission and/or graduation, I fail to meet medical retention standards of AR 40-501, chapter 3, due to a nonduty related medical condition(s), and I am processed for separation due to failure to meet such medical retention standards.

b. I agree to comply with and perform administrative duties, consistent with Army and USUHS requirements, to maintain the appropriate student status. I specifically acknowledge that my student and or military status may be terminated if I fail to comply with Service requirements, as set forth in Army regulations and DOD guidance.

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4. I agree to pursue my studies and training on a continuous basis as set forth in the schedules of USUHS, and, to the best of my ability direct my efforts toward completion of course requirements prerequisite to my receiving the designated degree for which I was selected.
5. I understand that I will not be granted an extension of this program for the purpose of pursuing studies toward completion of course requirements prerequisite to receiving any other degree.
6. I agree to participate in designated military training while I am in the Program.
7. I agree to complete the requirements for appointment as a commissioned officer. I agree to meet the physical fitness and uniform wear and appearance standards as established by applicable policy and regulation.
8. I understand that I will not be permitted to voluntarily withdraw from the Program.
9. As a result of Program participation, I understand that:
  - a. I will incur an ADO in accord with the AR 351-3 and DODI 6000.13, which imposes a 3 year ADO for the first year and an additional ADO of 6 months for each 6 month period of education, or portion thereof.
  - b. Any subsequent changes in my marital or dependent status or in my physical condition will not be grounds for subsequent release from the terms of this contract unless specifically provided for by statute or applicable DOD policy or Army regulations in effect at the time my status changes. I understand that I must immediately notify TSG of any administrative or medically related problem I might incur while enrolled in the Program.
  - c. If I am twice nonselected for promotion to major and have not yet fulfilled the term of continuous AD under this agreement, then I acknowledge the Army will not discharge me until completion of the statutory ADO incurred for participation in this program.
10. I understand that the following provisions apply to the discharge of my ADO:
  - a. Prior AD service and any period of time spent in military intern or residency training (internships, residencies, or fellowships) shall not be creditable in satisfying my USUHS Program obligation.
  - b. An assertion of community essentiality will not be considered as a ground for relief from the Program obligation or for delay in fulfilling the Program obligation.
  - c. Time spent on AD or active duty for training while a member of the Program prior to completion of professional degree requirements will not be credited toward fulfillment of any ADO or ready reserve obligation.
  - d. If I am relieved of my ADO before the completion of the service obligation, I may be given, with or without my consent, any of the following alternative obligations, as determined by the Secretary of the Army.
    - (1) An ADO in another armed force for a period of time not less than my remaining ADO.
    - (2) A service obligation in a component of the Selected Reserve of a period not less than twice as long as my remaining ADO.
    - (3) In addition to the alternative obligations specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) above, if I am relieved of my ADSO by reason of separation because of a physical disability, I may be offered by the Secretary a service obligation as a civilian employed as a health care professional in a facility of any of the Uniformed Services for a period of time equal to my remaining ADO.
  - e. I agree to be commissioned and serve my ADO in another military service if TSG determines that I am excess to my Service's needs.
11. I understand that if my status as a student is suspended or discontinued for deficiency in conduct or studies, or for other reasons, I will be required to perform AD in an appropriate military capacity in accordance with the ADO incurred, when such service is determined to be in the best interest of the Government.
12. Pursuant to section 2005, title 10, United States Code, I understand and agree:
  - a. To complete the educational requirements specified in this agreement and to serve on AD for the period specified in this agreement.
  - b. That, if I fail to complete the education requirements specified in this agreement, I will serve on AD for the period specified in this agreement.
  - c. To the other terms and conditions specified in this agreement.
  - d. I acknowledge and agree that the term "voluntarily" includes, but is not limited to, failure due to conscientious objection or because of resignation for any reason from the Army.
  - e. I acknowledge and agree that the term "misconduct" includes, but is not limited to, failure due to separation because of drug abuse, alcohol abuse, criminal conduct, civil conviction, civil confinement, or moral or professional dereliction.
13. Uniform and appearance.
  - a. I acknowledge that I have been informed of and agree to comply with the US Army uniform and appearance policy contained in AR 670-1 (Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia).
  - b. The current policy is as follows:
    - (1) Tattooing in areas of the body (for example face, legs, hands, fingers, etcetera,) that would cause the tattoo to be exposed in a Class A uniform would detract from a soldierly appearance.
    - (2) Soldiers are expected to maintain good daily hygiene and wear their uniform so as not to detract from an overall military appearance.
  - c. Any person who is not in compliance with AR 670-1 as it applies to tattoos will not be accepted for appointment in the US Army.
  - d. Any person with a tattoo on the head, neck, scalp, or face will not be accepted. Furthermore, regardless of a tattoo's location, any tattoo deemed offensive, racist, profane, and/or linked to a criminal activity or extremist group may be denied appointment. I have been advised that while a member of the US Army I may not violate the above policy. I will refrain from obtaining any body markings or I may be denied entry for violation of the above expressed policy.

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14. I understand and agree that I may not be relieved of my ADO arising from participation in the the Program solely because of willingness and ability to refund all payments made by the United States Government pursuant to sections 2112, Title 10, United States Code; DODI 5105.45, and this agreement.

15. I further understand that the US Army cannot guarantee accommodation of religious practices. I acknowledge and understand that Department of the Army policy accommodates religious practices as long as the practice will not have an adverse impact on military readiness, unit cohesion, standards, health, safety, morale, or discipline. I further acknowledge and understand that the US Army has the right to amend or eliminate any such accommodation based on the needs of the Army.

16. My acceptance of the terms and conditions of this agreement signifies my readiness to bear arms, to engage in and support combat operations, and to operate and support operations of approved weapons systems.

17. I understand that, as a commissioned officer and Program participant, I am subject to military laws, rules, customs, and traditions that include restrictions on my personal behavior and conduct that are different from the restrictions imposed on nonmilitary personnel. I understand that false statements made about my qualification for commissioned military service, including but not limited to statements regarding my health, may result in criminal prosecution.

18. I understand that all financial inducements and benefits, including, but not limited to, basic pay, housing allowances, health care benefits, bonuses, professional pay, variable incentive pay, special pay, commissary privileges, retirement benefits, annual leave, and other benefits are either statutory or regulatory and are subject to change at any time without notice and any subsequent loss of such financial inducements or benefits by virtue of a statutory, regulatory, or policy change will not release me from any obligations incurred under this contract.

19. I understand that my remaining ADO for my participation in (place "X" as applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ USMA; \_\_\_\_\_ ROTC; \_\_\_\_\_ other (list) \_\_\_\_\_ calculated to be \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months \_\_\_\_\_ days and a remaining reserve service obligation calculated to be \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months \_\_\_\_\_ days. I understand that this obligation will be added to any obligation incurred as a participant in the US Army USUHS Program.

20. I understand that this is the entire contract between myself and the US Army. I certify that there are no oral or other agreements or understanding or representations affecting the contract or relating to my military service except as otherwise specifically provided herein. I have read and thoroughly understand the above statements of terms under which I am being admitted, including all statutes, directives, policies, and regulations, incorporated by reference. I understand that I will be subject to all of the requirements and lawful commands of the officers who will from time to time be placed over me. I certify that no promise of any kind has been made to me concerning assignment to duty as an inducement to me to sign this contract.

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Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

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Name of Applicant (Type or Print)

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Signature of Applicant

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Name of Witness (Type or Print)

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Signature of Witness

Accepted for and on behalf of the United States of America

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Typed Name, Grade, Title

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Signature