Graduate School for Active Duty Service Obligation (ADSO) Program

U.S. Army Cadet Command Supplemental Cadet Service Agreement Graduate School for ADSO Program

Authority: Title 10, United States Code, Sections 3013, 4301 and 4334; Executive Order 9397; and DODD 1322.10.

Principal Purpose(s): To specify and record the contractual agreements and obligations for participation in the Army's Graduate School for ADSO Program.

Routine Use(s): This form will be maintained in the Cadet's military personnel records and become a permanent part of the subject individual's official personnel records as confirmation of contracting, obligation, and agreements. All uses of this form are internal to the U.S. Army.

Disclosure: Disclosure of the SSN and other personnel information is voluntary. However, failure to provide the required information may result in denial of participation in the Army's Graduate School for ADSO Program.

Name (Last, First, MI)	SSN	University/School	_
Address of Record	Graduation Date	ROTC FICE	-

Agreement of Cadet

Under the terms of the Graduate School for ADSO Program, I request the opportunity to attend graduate school in a discipline of my choice from an approved Army list at an accredited institution as approved by Human Resources Command (HRC). In exchange for receiving the opportunity to attend graduate school, as stated above, I hereby agree to incur an additional ADSO of 3 years.

Agreement of the Department of the Army

In consideration of the agreement by the Cadet above, the Department of the Army agrees to send me to graduate school between my 6th and 10th year of active duty.

Acknowledgement/Statement of Understanding

I understand that the ADSO incurred pursuant to the Army's Graduate School for ADSO Program as stated above will be in addition to the initial 3 or 4 year ADSO I incurred pursuant to AR 350-100 and the terms of my ROTC contract (CC Pam 145-4, DA Form 597-3). I further understand that the ADSO incurred pursuant to the Army's Graduate School for ADSO Program as stated above is in addition to, and must be served consecutively with, any other ADSO I may have incurred pursuant to the Army's Branch or Post for ADSO Programs.

I understand that the ADSO incurred pursuant to the Army's Graduate School for ADSO Program will be served consecutively and not concurrently with my initial 3 or 4 year ADSO and will begin on the day after my initial 3 or 4 year ADSO is completed. Thereafter, the ADSO incurred pursuant to the Graduate School for ADSO Program will be served concurrently with any other non-statutory ADSOs, unless otherwise provided by law or contract.

If I am an ROTC scholarship Cadet, I understand that upon completion of my initial 4 year ADSO, I will have satisfied the terms of my Cadet service agreement and that I will not be subject to reimbursement for a pro-rata share of the cost of my ROTC scholarship if I fail for any reason to serve any part of the ADSO incurred pursuant to the Army's Graduate School for ADSO Program.

I understand that this agreement does not supersede or replace my Cadet service agreement and that I continue to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of my Cadet service agreement.

I understand that this agreement is contingent upon my satisfying all of the necessary requirements for graduation and commissioning.

I understand that under the Graduate School for ADSO Program I will secure the option to:

- a. Attend a fully funded, full-time graduate program for up to 24 months within the United States that I select from an Army approved list of graduate programs. Program participants will not be denied the opportunity to attend a graduate program in a discipline that was on the approved list at the time the participant signed the Graduate School for ADSO contract.
- b. Request attendance at a graduate program not on the aforementioned Army approved list. Approval of such a request will be according to the needs of the Army.
- c. Pursue this graduate degree at an accredited institution of my choice within the United States.
 - d. Continue to receive full pay and benefits during such graduate school attendance.

I understand that it is my responsibility to gain admission to a graduate program and university.

I understand that if I subsequently seek assignment to the U.S. Military Academy (USMA), a functional area, or other assignment requiring an advanced degree, and I have not yet attended graduate school pursuant to this contract, I will exercise my graduate school option within an appropriate graduate program as directed by USMA or HRC thus voiding this contract.

Graduate education for medical, dental, veterinary, legal and religious professionals are separate from the Graduate School for ADSO Program. If I am selected to enter one of these professions under a separate fully funded program, I will attend graduate school under the provisions of those programs thus voiding this contract.

I understand that this contract will be validated prior to the expiration of my initial ADSO. Prior to my initial ADSO expiration, my selection to the grade of captain will constitute the first validation of my continued eligibility to participate in the Graduate School for ADSO Program. In addition, prior to attendance in a graduate program, HRC will screen the officer's personnel file to ensure that the officer is not flagged, eligible for favorable personnel actions, and has no derogatory information that would preclude the officer from attending a fully funded graduate degree program. The Director, OPMD is the final approval authority for officers to be removed from the Graduate School for ADSO Program. In the event that the Director of OPMD is not a

General Officer, then the approval authority for officers to be removed from the Graduate School for ADSO Program will be a General Officer appointed by the Commander, HRC. This authority will not be delegated below the rank of Brigadier General. If this contract is not validated prior to expiration of my initial ADSO, then this contract will become void.

I understand that upon completing my option ADSO of three years, my option to attend a fully funded graduate program under the Graduate School for ADSO Program will vest. Thereafter, unless suspended from favorable personnel actions, I will have secured assignment to a fully funded graduate program for a period of up to 24 months.

I understand that between my 5th and 9th year of service, I will apply through my assignment officer at HRC to begin graduate school not later than my 10th year of service. At my option and according to the needs of the Army, I may request to defer graduate school attendance beyond my 10th year of service. I will so notify my assignment officer of my desire to defer graduate school attendance prior to my 10th year of service. I understand that if I choose to defer the start of graduate school after my 10th year of active duty service, or if I have elected to also participate in the Branch or Post for ADSO Program, I may be required to serve longer than 15 years on active duty in order to satisfy my graduate school ADSO.

I understand that the Graduate School for ADSO Program is subject to the availability of funds. If the Army has not programmed funding in the Program Objective Memorandum for my graduate school by the time I complete my commissioning ADSO, I will have the option to void this contract before serving any part of my graduate school option ADSO.

I understand that I may remain on active duty without prejudice if I elect not to exercise my graduate school option. I further understand that if I elect not to exercise my graduate school option I must still satisfy the 36 month ADSO incurred in exchange for having the opportunity to attend graduate school pursuant to AR 350-100.

I understand that if I elect to exercise my graduate school option, I will incur a 3 month active duty service obligation for each month of graduate school attendance to a maximum ADSO of 72 months. I also understand that a minimum of 36 months of this obligation must be served after graduate school attendance. Up to a maximum of 36 months of active duty service subsequent to expiration of option ADSO and prior to graduate school attendance will reduce my total ADSO for attending graduate school. Given the foregoing, I understand that should I secure the option to attend graduate school under the Graduate School for ADSO Program, and then exercise that option by beginning school before my 10th year on active duty service, my maximum total period of obligated active duty service would not exceed 15 years. I understand that if I choose to defer the start of graduate school after my 10th year of active duty service, or if I have elected to also participate in the Branch or Post for ADSO Program, I may be required to serve longer than 15 years on active duty in order to satisfy my graduate school ADSO.

I understand that I will incur a minimum utilization assignment of 36 months upon completion of graduate school. The specifics of this utilization will be IAW the guidelines prescribed by my branch or functional area as listed in DA Pam 600-3 and AR 621-108.

IAW 10 U.S.C. § 2005 and AR 350-100, I will be subject to reimbursement for a pro-rata share of my graduate education in the event that I fail to complete the additional ADSO incurred for exercising my option to attend graduate school.

I understand that this agreement may be canceled by the Secretary of the Army, or his designee, at any time during my initial commissioning ADSO based upon the needs of the Army. Upon such cancellation, any service obligation that I may have incurred pursuant to the Graduate School for ADSO Program will become void.

I have read and understand the statements above and understand these statements are intended to constitute all the promises and guarantees concerning my participation in the Army's Graduate School for ADSO Program. No other (verbal or otherwise) promise or representation not contained in this agreement is valid or will be honored. I hereby state that I have not been promised anything other than what is written on this agreement and hereby waive any claim based upon any promise or representation not contained in this agreement.

I understand that this is the list of approved graduate programs for my year group, YG _____:

Accounting

Anthropology

Area/International/Regional Studies (African, Asian, Middle Eastern, Western European, Latin American)

Biochemistry

Biology

Business Administration

Chemistry

Computer Science

Diplomacy

Economic/Political Geography

Economics

Educational Psychology

Engineering (All)

Engineering Management

Environmental Science

English/Literature/Philosophy

Finance

Foreign Languages

Forensic Science

Geography

Geosciences

Governance

History

Human Resources Management

Information Technology

International Business

International Law

International Relations

Signature and Date
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