

applicants. The use of such automated online systems during recruitment allows USPTO to remain competitive, meet hiring goals, and fulfill the Agency's Congressional commitment to reduce the pendency rate for the examination of patent applications.

Form Numbers: None.

Type of Review: Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or maintain benefits.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 7,226 respondents.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 7,226 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 30 minutes (0.5 hours) to complete. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed request to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 3,613 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Net-Hourly Cost Burden: \$0.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce, USPTO information collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website, www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number, 0651–0042.

Further information can be obtained by:

- *Email:* InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "0651–0042 information request" in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Justin Isaac, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

Justin Isaac,

Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA–2023–HQ–0013]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Department of the Army, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by February 28, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lane Purvis, (571) 372–0460, whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Silver Jackets Program Nomination and Awards; ENG Form 6128; OMB Control Number 0710–0023.

Type of Request: Revision.

Number of Respondents: 54.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 54.

Average Burden per Response: 20 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 18.

Needs and Uses: The information collection request is necessary to obtain input and feedback from our state government partners regarding the performance and achievement of state-led Silver Jackets teams. Through the National Flood Risk Management Program, USACE supports the Silver Jackets Program, which has teams in all states and several territories, bringing together multiple state, federal, local, and tribal agencies to learn from one another and work together to reduce risk from floods and other natural hazards. The ENG Form 6128, "Silver Jackets State Team of the Year," provides the vehicle for Silver Jackets teams to nominate their fellow teams for consideration for the Silver Jackets

Team of the Year Award. The responses to this information collection are used to recognize excellent work by teams, thank the team partners for their efforts, and provide incentives for future team participation.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Matthew Oreska.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number, and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Lane Purvis.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Purvis at whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

Dated: January 23, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (BoR USUHS) will take place.

DATES: Monday, February 5, 2024, open to the public from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. (EST).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held virtually. To participate in the meeting, see the Meeting Accessibility section for instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Annette Askins-Roberts, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at (301) 295-3066 or bor@usuhs.edu. Mailing address is 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814. Website: <https://www.usuhs.edu/ao/board-of-regents>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to circumstances beyond the control of the DFO and the DoD, the BoR USUHS was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a) concerning its February 5, 2024 meeting. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the DoD, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

This meeting is being held under the provisions of chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as the “Federal Advisory Committee Act” or “FACA”), 5 U.S.C. 552b (commonly known as the “Government in the Sunshine Act”), and sections 102-3.140 and 102-3.150 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense, through the USD(P&R), on academic and administrative matters critical to the full accreditation and successful operation of Uniformed Services University (USU). These actions are necessary for USU to pursue its mission, which is to educate, train, and comprehensively prepare uniformed services health professionals, officers, scientists, and leaders to support the Military and Public Health Systems, the National Security and National Defense Strategies of the United States, and the readiness of our Uniformed Services.

Agenda: The schedule includes opening comments from the Chair; a brief from the President of USU; an update from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs; an update from the Liaison Committee of Medical Education Site Survey visit; and a brief on the USU Facilities Master Plan.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to Federal statutes and regulations (5 U.S.C. Appendix, 5 U.S.C. 552b, and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165), the meeting will be held virtually and is open to the public from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting virtually should contact Ms. Angela Bee via email at

bor@usuhs.edu no later than five business days prior to the meeting.

Written Statements: Pursuant to section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the BoR USUHS about its approved agenda pertaining to this meeting or at any time regarding the Board’s mission. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to Ms. Askins-Roberts at the address noted in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Written statements that do not pertain to a scheduled meeting of the BoR USUHS may be submitted at any time. If individual comments pertain to a specific topic being discussed at the planned meeting, then these statements must be received at least five calendar days prior to the meeting. Otherwise, the comments may not be provided to or considered by the Board until a later date. The DFO will compile all timely submissions with the BoR USUHS’ Chair and ensure such submissions are provided to BoR USUHS members before the meeting.

Dated: January 23, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2023-OS-0114]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Defense University, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by February 28, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open

for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lane Purvis, (571) 372-0460, whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Master’s Degree Application Form for International Students; OMB Control Number: 0704-0599.

Type of Request: Extension.

Number of Respondents: 120.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 120.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 30.

Needs and Uses: This form is used to collect the information required to admit international students to a National Defense University (NDU) master’s degree program. The respondents are prospective international students who wish to be admitted to an NDU master’s degree program. They respond to this information collection in partial fulfillment of NDU application and admissions requirements. The completed collection instrument is processed by the NDU registrars and a committee of NDU faculty who review the application in consideration of admission to a master’s degree program. The successful effect of this information collection is to satisfy NDU master’s degree application requirements for international students so that an admissions decision can be made.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number, and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Lane Purvis.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to