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Policy

The University of South Carolina Beaufort (USCB) is a member of (SOC), the Service Members Opportunity Colleges. SOC is a consortium of colleges and universities that work together in order to make it easier for military students and their family members to complete a degree. If a military student or family member is transferred, he or she can obtain a SOCMAR or SOCNAV student agreement that will allow the student to complete the associate degree requirements at their next duty station and still earn, if they choose, an associates degree from USCB.

Procedure

SOC agreements are encouraged by USCB and are automatically generated upon admission to the university. The SOC agreement is used by USCB military counselors as an advisement tool for future course scheduling and degree completion. **However, the elements of this agreement can only be put into practice after the following criteria have been met:**

- I. The student must complete fifteen hours with USCB
- II. The student must attend at least one semester as a degree-seeking student
- III. Students must maintain a GPA of 2.0
- IV. Degree requirements must be completed within five years of leaving USCB

At the date of this writing, the SOCMAR and SOCNAV degree completion programs do not apply to baccalaureate degrees.