Waiver/Recoupment Process:

ArmyIgnitED – Service Member

General Information about Recoupments:

1. As per DoDI 1322.25 and AR 621-5, students are required to reimburse the Army for a course(s) for which Military Tuition Assistance was used and a satisfactory course completion was not obtained.
2. Students have no more than 30 days (suspense date) from the date of receipt of the unsatisfactory course completion to:
   a. Begin a recoupment action through deductions from military pay.
   OR
   b. Request a Recoupment Waiver (only for a “W” withdrawal grade).
3. If a student chooses not to begin one of the above actions prior to the suspense date, an automatic deduction of the full amount will be initiated against their pay.
4. As per DoDI 1322.25 and AR 621-5, unsatisfactory course completion grades include: “W” for withdrawal; “I” for incomplete after 180 days of course end date; “D” or “F” undergraduate courses; “C”, “D” or “F” for graduate courses; any other non-passing grade or status; and no grade posted in the student’s ArmyIgnitED account.
5. If the student believes the unsatisfactory grade is in error, they have until the suspense date to provide an updated satisfactory grade. Recoupments processed after the suspense date will not be stopped or refunded even if a satisfactory grade is submitted.
6. Recoupments can ONLY be made via payroll deduction.
7. If students need assistance updating a grade, completing a recoupment action, or submitting a Request for Recoupment Waiver, they should contact their Education Center.
Student Notification of Recoupment Action:

- Students will receive an email letting them know they have a message waiting for them to view regarding course recoupment. Students will check messages in the ArmyIgnitED portal and view the recoupment action message.

Click ‘Recoupsments’ then click ‘Process Recoupment’:
Read ‘recoupment conditions’ - ‘I Understand These Conditions’:

**Initiate Recoupment**

1. Recoupment waivers are only considered if the circumstances clearly show events were beyond the control of the student and the student made every effort to work with the instructor and academic institution to request extensions or appeal for government refund.

2. You may request Recoupment Waiver consideration for the following reasons:
   a. Short notice (less than 7 days) to enroll in a course required for your degree. (Note: this includes both regular-term and summer-term enrollment.)
   b. Emergency leave (Military, National Guard or Reserve duty, or other unforeseen circumstances).
   c. Recruitment/retention efforts initiated by the academic institution.
   d. Medical documentation indicating the student is unable to complete the course.
   e. Death of a parent or legal guardian.
   f. Disputes or changes in the course.

3. You must have all supporting documentation uploaded and submitted for review prior to your suspension date. As a minimum, the following must be uploaded:
   a. A letter from your instructor describing the circumstances and the impact to your course.
   b. Support documentation for the reason(s) for the recoupment request.

4. After reviewing your recoupment request, you will be notified if approved or denied. You will receive an email notification and can view status of recoupment.

5. If this recoupment waiver is approved, an email notification will be sent and further action is required on your part.

**Initiate Recoupment/Request Detail Screen:**

- Student has 3 choices for ‘Method of Recoupment’:
  1. Lump Sum Payroll Deduction
  2. Payroll Deduction (up to 6 months)
  3. Waiver (a Request for Recoupment Waiver for the following reasons):

**Choose recoupment method:**

‘Lump Sum Payroll’ -> ‘Submit’
‘Payroll Deduction’ -> ‘Number of Months’ (2, 3, 4, 5, 6) -> ‘Submit’: 

‘Waiver’ -> ‘Recoupment Waiver Reason’ -> Upload SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION (Orders, Medical, Emergency Leave Form, etc.) -> ‘Submit’: 

NOTE: ‘Waiver’ CAN ONLY BE SELECTED FOR A ‘W’ GRADE!!!

Request is sent directly to Access Central Office.

General Information on Requests for Recoupment Waivers:

1. Requests for Recoupment Waivers can only be submitted for courses with a grade of “W” Withdrawal.

2. Recoupment Waivers are only considered if the circumstances clearly show events were beyond the control of the student and the student made every effort to work with the instructor and academic institution to request extensions to complete the course or appeal for a government refund.

3. You may request a Recoupment Waiver consideration for the following reasons:
a. Short notice PCS/TDY after course start date that prevents attendance at an in-person class (not asynchronous or self-paced distance learning). The length of TDY will be considered when assessing a waiver request. Note: Permissive TDY is not a valid consideration for waiver.

b. Emergency leave (IAW AR 600-8-10, para. 4-5; documentation required)

c. Emergency health issues (documentation required)

d. Hospitalization of a length to preclude course completion, and the academic institution disapproved a request for extension (documentation required)

e. Short notice changes in work schedule that interfered with course attendance and completion. Note: Change to work schedule is not a valid consideration for waiver of an asynchronous or self-paced distance learning course. (documentation required)

4. You must have all supporting documentation uploaded and submitted for review prior to your suspense date. At a minimum, the following must be uploaded:

   a. DA Form 7793 (Request for Recoupment Waiver): The DA Form 7793 must explain in detail the timelines and circumstances that led to your difficulties completing the course. The DA Form 7793 is signed by the student and endorsed by your Commander to indicate personal knowledge of the circumstances and attest to the veracity of your statements.

      i. Include the course start and stop dates, and your course scheduled meeting times and dates.

      ii. Explain all efforts made to work with your instructor to request an extension or an "I" incomplete grade.

      iii. Include any request to the academic institution to refund tuition to the government.

   b. Supporting Documentations: You must include supporting information and documents to support your rationale.

      i. PCS - Include in your Recoupment Waiver request the date you were notified of the PCS movement and your actual date of departure. Attach a legible copy of the PCS orders showing your name, issue date, and departure date.

      ii. TDY - Include in your Recoupment Waiver request the date you were notified of the TDY, your actual departure date, and your return date. Attach a legible copy of the approved TDY orders (DD Form 1610, Request for Official Travel) showing your name, issue date, departure date, and TDY duration.

      iii. Emergency Leave (IAW AR 600-8-10, para. 4-5): Include in your Recoupment Waiver request the date the emergency arose, your actual departure date, and return date. Attach a legible copy of the approved DA Form 31 showing your name, issue date, effective date, leave duration, and Emergency Leave in block 8.

      iv. Hospitalization/Unanticipated Health Situation: Include in your Recoupment Waiver request the date the injury/illness occurred. If hospitalized, include the date of admission and the date of discharge (attach a legible copy of admission/discharge orders showing your name, admit date, and discharge date). If you were placed on quarters or convalescent leave, include those dates in your Recoupment Waiver request and attach a copy of approved DD Form 689, Individual Sick Slip indicating quarters as the disposition, or DA Form 31 Request and Authority for Leave granting convalescent leave showing name, start date, and stop date.

      v. Change of Military Duties: Include in your Recoupment Waiver request your duty hours at the start of the course, the scheduled class meeting times and dates, your duty hours following
the change, and the reason for the change. Note: Change in military duties will not be considered if the course is asynchronous or self-paced distance learning.

c. Withdrawal Documentation from Academic Institution: Provide a copy of the withdrawal paperwork or the Change of Enrollment slip with your Recoupment Waiver package.

d. Academic Institution Refund/Appeal Action Documentation (optional): Include documentation of applying for an academic institution refund or appeal.

e. Miscellaneous (optional): Include any other documentation to support your request for a Recoupment Waiver.

5. All decisions will be made based solely on documents provided. Please ensure your package is complete.

6. All decisions are final. You must ensure that all supporting documents are provided at the same time since reconsiderations will not be granted.

7. Should a Recoupment Waiver request be denied, you will be notified via email.

8. If a Recoupment Waiver is approved, you will receive an email notification and no further action is required on your part.