fense industry employees" and inserted "or homeland security" after "and defense".

Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 115-91, §581(c)(2)(B), inserted "or the Department of Homeland Security, as applicable" before period at end.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 115-91, §581(b)(4), substituted "covered private sector employees" for "defense industry employees".

2015—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 114–92, \$1081(a)(13), substituted "only so long as" for "only so long at". Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 114–92, \$558, substituted "will

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 114-92, §558, substituted "will not require an increase in the permanently authorized size of the faculty" for "will be done on a space-available basis and not require an increase in the size of the faculty".

2013—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 112-239, §589(b)(1), inserted "or professional continuing education certificate" after "graduate degree".

Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 112-239, §589(b)(2), inserted "or an appropriate professional continuing education certificate, as applicable" before period at end.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

§9414b. United States Air Force Institute of Technology: administration

(a) COMMANDANT.—

(1) SELECTION.—The Commandant of the United States Air Force Institute of Technology shall be selected by the Secretary of the Air Force.

(2) ELIGIBILITY.—The Commandant shall be one of the following:

(A) An officer of the Air Force on active duty in a grade not below the grade of colonel who possesses such qualifications as the Secretary considers appropriate and is assigned or detailed to such position.

(B) A member of the Senior Executive Service or a civilian individual, including an individual who was retired from the Air Force in a grade not below brigadier general, who has the qualifications appropriate for the position of Commandant and is selected by the Secretary as the best qualified from among candidates for the position in accordance with a process and criteria determined by the Secretary.

(3) TERM FOR CIVILIAN COMMANDANT.—An individual selected for the position of Commandant under paragraph (2)(B) shall serve in that position for a term of not more than five years and may be continued in that position for an additional term of up to five years.

(b) PROVOST AND ACADEMIC DEAN.-

(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established at the United States Air Force Institute of Technology the civilian position of Provost and Academic Dean who shall be appointed by the Secretary.

(2) TERM.—An individual appointed to the position of Provost and Academic Dean shall serve in that position for a term of five years.

(3) COMPENSATION.—The individual serving as Provost and Academic Dean is entitled to such compensation for such service as the Secretary shall prescribe for purposes of this section, but not more than the rate of compensation authorized for level IV of the Executive Schedule.

(Added Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title V, §554(a), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1414, §9314b; renumbered §9414b, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §806(a)(3), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1832.)

References in Text

Level IV of the Executive Schedule, referred to in subsec. (b)(3), is set out in section 5315 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Amendments

 $2018\mbox{--}\mbox{Pub. L}.$ 115–232 renumbered section 9314b of this title as this section.

Effective Date of 2018 Amendment

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

§ 9415. Community College of the Air Force: associate degrees

(a) ESTABLISHMENT AND MISSION.—There is in the Air Force a Community College of the Air Force. Such college, in cooperation with civilian colleges and universities, shall—

(1) prescribe programs of higher education for enlisted members described in subsection (b) designed to improve the technical, managerial, and related skills of such members and to prepare such members for military jobs which require the utilization of such skills; and

(2) monitor on a continuing basis the progress of members pursuing such programs.

(b) MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR PROGRAMS.—Subject to such other eligibility requirements as the Secretary concerned may prescribe, the following members of the armed forces are eligible to participate in programs of higher education under subsection (a)(1):

(1) Enlisted members of the Air Force.

(2) Enlisted members of the armed forces other than the Air Force who are serving as instructors at Air Force training schools.

(c) SERIOUSLY WOUNDED, ILL, OR INJURED FORMER AND RETIRED ENLISTED MEMBERS.—(1) The Secretary of the Air Force may authorize participation in a program of higher education under subsection (a)(1) by a person who is a former or retired enlisted member of the armed forces who at the time of the person's separation from active duty—

(A) had commenced but had not completed a program of higher education under subsection (a)(1); and

(B) is categorized by the Secretary concerned as seriously wounded, ill, or injured.

(2) For purposes of this subsection, a person who may be categorized as seriously wounded, ill, or injured is a person with a serious injury or illness (as that term is defined in section 1602(8) of the Wounded Warrior Act (title XVI of Public Law 110–181; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note)).

(3) A person may not be authorized under paragraph (1) to participate in a program of higher education after the end of the 10-year period beginning on the date of the person's separation from active duty.