(f) Demonstrates to the Secretary's satisfaction that the existence of extraordinary circumstances prevents the fellowship recipient from making a scheduled payment.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7475(b))

## § 535.55 What is the length of the deferment of repayment?

- (a) Unless the Secretary determines otherwise, a fellowship recipient shall apply to renew a deferment on a yearly basis.
- (b) Deferments for military or Peace Corps service may not exceed three years.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7475(b))

## §535.56 Under what circumstances is repayment waived?

The Secretary may waive repayment if the fellowship recipient demonstrates the existence of extraordinary circumstances that justify a waiver.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7475(b)(2))

## § 535.57 How shall the fellowship recipient account for the obligation?

(a) Within six months of the date a fellowship recipient meets the criteria in §535.50(b)(1) or (2), the fellowship recipient shall submit to the Secretary one of the following items:

- (1) A description of the activity in which the fellowship recipient is employed.
- (2) Repayment required under  $\S535.51$  and 535.52.
- (3) A request to repay the obligation in installments.
- (4) A request for a deferment or waiver as described in §§ 535.54 and 535.56 accompanied by a statetment of justification.
- (b) A fellowship recipient who submits a description of employment under paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall notify the Secretary on a yearly basis of the period of time during the preceding year that the fellowship recipient was employed in the activity.
- (c) A fellowship recipient shall inform the Secretary of any change in employment status.
- (d) A fellowship recipient shall inform the Secretary of any change of address.
- (e)(1) A fellowship recipient's failure to timely satisfy the requirements in paragraphs (b) through (d) of this section results in the fellowship recipient being in non-compliance or default status subject to collection action.
- (2) Interest and costs of collection may be collected in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3717 and 34 CFR part 30.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7475(b))