

Solomon Amendment

The Solomon Amendment requires institutions to provide Department of Defense representatives access to student recruitment information on students age 17 and older. The Department of Education has determined the Solomon Amendment supersedes most elements of [FERPA](#). Therefore, an institution is obligated to release data included in the list of student recruitment information noted below. However, Cornell University will not release information for students who have FERPA holds on their student record.

Definition of Student Recruitment Information

- Name
- Address
- Telephone
- Email
- Age
- Class level
- Academic major

Procedure for Releasing Information

1. All requests for information must be sent to the [Office of the University Registrar](#) (OUR).
2. Information will be released for military recruitment purposes only.
3. Military recruiters from the five major branches of the armed services (Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard) may request student recruitment information once each semester.
4. The request must be submitted in writing on letterhead that clearly identifies the unit of service requesting the student recruitment information.
5. The request must specify whether the information is for a current or previous semester.
6. OUR staff will confirm if the request aligns with what is allowed to be released.
7. OUR will not release information for students who have FERPA holds on their student record.
8. OUR may send a response email indicating the request has been received, advise which of the data elements the school collects and any it does not and cannot supply, and provide a reasonable timeframe for response.
9. Data is transferred securely using [Cornell Secure File Transfer](#).

Questions regarding the release of this information should be directed to the [Office of the University Registrar](#).