

Solomon Amendment & FERPA

The **Solomon Amendment** is a federal law that allows military recruiters to access some address, biographical and academic program information on students age 17 and older.

The Department of Education has determined the Solomon Amendment supersedes most elements of FERPA. An institution is therefore obligated to release data included in the list of student recruiting information, which may or may not match Moraine Valley's FERPA directory information list.

If the student has submitted a request to restrict the release of his/her directory information, then no information from the student's education record will be released under the Solomon Amendment. Get more information on [directory information](#). However, a student cannot request to restrict the release of student recruitment information to military recruiters only.

Student Recruitment Information (as defined by the Department of Defense)

1. Name
2. Address (home and mailing — only city/town of residence is defined as directory information at MVCC)
3. Telephone (not defined as directory information at MVCC)
4. Age/Date of birth (not defined as directory information at MVCC)
5. Place of birth (not defined as directory information at MVCC)
6. Level of education
7. Academic major
8. Degrees received
9. Most recent educational institution attended

Procedure for releasing information to military recruiters

1. Under the Solomon Amendment, information will be released for military recruitment purposes only. The military recruiters may request student recruitment information once each fall and spring semester for each of the 12 eligible units within the five branches of the service:
 - a. **Army:** Army, Army Reserve, Army National Guard
 - b. **Navy:** Navy, Navy Reserve
 - c. **Marine Corps:** Marine Corps, Marine Corps Reserve
 - d. **Air Force:** Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air Force National Guard
 - e. **Coast Guard:** Coast Guard, Coast Guard Reserve
2. The request should be submitted in writing on letterhead clearly identifying the unit of service requesting the student recruitment information.
3. The request should specify whether the information needed is for the current or previous semester.

Submit Solomon Amendment requests to:

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