Chapter 11 Constructive Credit and Appointment Rank

Constructive Credit is awarded by USAREC IAW AR 135-101. Credit is awarded to individuals based on advanced education, internship/residency training, professional experience and prior commission services.

The first table outlines the amount of constructive credit awarded and the second table shows rank and the amount of credit required by specialty to be appointed to that rank.

When figuring constructive credit, a given time period can only be counted once. For example you can not count it as experience and commission time in another branch.

Credit beyond the minimum for that rank is used to adjust the date of rank.

Constructive credit is computed on a DA Form 5074-1. See example and form below.

Constructive Credit		
Commission Service In Specialty	1 year for 1 year	
Commission Service Not in specialty	½ year for 1 year	
Medical/Dental School	4 years	
Internship/Residency (MC or DC)	1 year for 1 year	
Personal Experience The experience has to be in the specialty and the max allowed for professional experience is 3 years. In special cases, MC may be awarded additional credit beyond 3 years if they have more than 6 years of professional experience and exceptional experience. This is determined by USAREC.	½ year for 1 full year	
15A reappointing to 67J WO appt to 67J no credit	Current Grade Held (CGH)	
Physician Assistance w/both BS in PA and MS in PA PA w/BS in other than PA and MS in PA – no credit	2 years	
Other Educational Credit	See AR 135-101	

Appointment Rank		
Rank	Req. Credit MC, DC	Req. for AN, MS, SP, VC, Med & Dent Students
2LT	N/A	Less than 2 years
1LT	N/A	2 years
CPT	4 years	7 years
MAJ	14 years	14 years
LTC	21 years	21 years