



Regional Accrediting Organizations

Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)

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A national advocate and voice for promoting academic quality through accreditation, CHEA is an association of degree-granting colleges and universities and recognizes institutional and programmatic accrediting organizations.

Regional Accrediting Organizations 2019-2020

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Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC)

Western Association of Schools and Colleges

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Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, September 2016

CHEA Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Associate degree-granting institutions, with authorization to approve career or technically



oriented baccalaureate degrees, in colleges in California, Hawaii, the Territories of Guam and American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.(2019)

Higher Learning Commission (HLC)

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Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, January 2015

CHEA Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Degree granting institutions incorporated in Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming or federally authorized sovereign nations that are authorized (licensed) by the same state or nation to award higher degrees (associate, baccalaureate, master's or doctoral degrees (both research and professional)). (2012)

Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)

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Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, April 2013

CHEA Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Degree-granting institutions which offer one or more postsecondary educational programs, including those offered via distance education, of at least one academic year in length at the Associate's or higher level in Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and other geographical areas outside the United States in which the Commission conducts accrediting activities. (2019)



New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)

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Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, September 2013

CHEA Recognized Scope of Accreditation

The accreditation of institutions that award the bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees and associate's degree-granting institutions that include in their offerings at least one program in liberal studies or another area of study widely available at the baccalaureate level of regionally accredited colleges and universities in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont and internationally. (2013)

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU)

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Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, January 2019

CHEA Recognized Scope of Accreditation

The accreditation and pre-accreditation ("Candidacy status") of postsecondary degree-granting educational institutions in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and internationally, and the accreditation of programs offered via distance education within these institutions. (2019)



Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)

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Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, September 2015

CHEA Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Regional accrediting body for degree-granting institutions of higher education in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Latin America, and other Commission approved international sites, including the accreditation of programs offered via distance and correspondence education within these institutions. (2014)

WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)

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Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, January 2014

CHEA Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Baccalaureate degree or higher institutions in California, Hawaii, and the Pacific Basin; institutions that offer programs outside the United States when such institutions are capable of being reviewed effectively by WASC processes. (2014)