

# Accrediting Agencies

The following regional, national, professional and specialized accrediting agencies are recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The dates specified (where they appear), are the date of initial listing as a U.S. Department of Education recognized agency, the date of the U.S. Secretary's most recent grant of renewed recognition based on the last full review of the agency by the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, and the date of the agency's next scheduled review for renewal of recognition.<sup>1</sup>

## Regional Accrediting Bodies

*Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands*

Commission on Higher Education

### **Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools M**

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*Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont*

### **New England Association of Schools and Colleges**

1952/2008/2012  
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Bedford, MA 01730-1433  
(781) 271-0022 Fax (781) 271-0950  
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Commission on Institutions of Higher Education **EH**

Barbara E. Brittingham, Director  
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(Initially recognized in 1952)

Commission on Technical and Career Institutions **EV**

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(Initially recognized in 1973)

*Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming*

The Higher Learning Commission

### **North Central Association of Colleges and Schools NH**

<sup>1</sup>U.S. Department of Education, Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies, [www2.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/accreditation.html](http://www2.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/accreditation.html).

1952/2008/2012  
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Chicago, IL 60602-2504  
(800) 621-7440 Fax (312) 263-7462  
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URL: www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org

*Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington*

### **Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities NW**

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Redmond, WA 98052  
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*Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia*

Commission on Colleges

### **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools SC**

1952/2006/2011  
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Decatur, GA 30033-4097  
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*California, Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau*

Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities

### **Western Association of Schools and Colleges WC**

1952/2007/2011  
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Alameda, CA 94501  
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Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges

### **Western Association of Schools and Colleges WJ**

1952/2008/2012  
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<sup>1</sup>U.S. Department of Education, Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies, [www2.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/accreditation.html](http://www2.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/accreditation.html).