COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

RESOURCE GUIDE

The Department of Human Resources maintains a Resource Guide which provides clarification to Human Resources staff as they carry out their job duties. The Resource Guide provides background and relative information to the topic below.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The United States has no Federal Ministry of Education or other centralized authority exercising single national control over postsecondary educational institutions in this country. The States assume varying degrees of control over education, but, in general, institutions of higher education are permitted to operate with considerable independence and autonomy. As a consequence, American educational institutions can vary widely in the character and quality of their programs.

In order to ensure a basic level of quality, the practice of accreditation arose in the United States as a means of conducting non-governmental, peer evaluation of educational institutions and programs. Private educational associations of regional or national scope have adopted criteria reflecting the qualities of a sound educational program and have developed procedures for evaluating institutions or programs to determine whether or not they are operating at basic levels of quality.

Please note, for applications that require licensure, the designated board shall make the determination as to whether a degree and/or license satisfies the requirements for filing a Civil Service Examination.

Accreditation Process:
Accreditation is the process used in U.S. education to ensure that schools, postsecondary institutions, and other education providers meet and maintain minimum standards of quality and integrity regarding academics, administration, and related services. It is a voluntary process based on the principle of academic self-governance. Both institutions and programs within institutions participate in accreditation. The entities which conduct accreditation are associations comprised of institutions and academic specialists in specific subjects, who establish and enforce standards of membership and procedures for conducting the accreditation process.

Both the federal and state governments recognize accreditation as the mechanism by which institutional and programmatic legitimacy and capacity are measured. In international terms, accreditation by a recognized accrediting authority is accepted as the U.S. equivalent of other countries’ ministerial recognition of institutions belonging to the national education system.
Accrediting agencies are private educational associations of regional or national scope. They develop evaluation criteria and conduct peer evaluations to assess whether or not those criteria are met. Institutions and/or programs that request an agency's evaluation and that meet an agency's criteria are then "accredited" by that agency.

LISTINGS

U.S. NATIONAL ACCREDITING ASSOCIATIONS
These associations are recognized by either or both the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and the U.S. Department of Education. They accredit entire institutions, individual programs within accredited institutions, and independent schools and colleges in the U.S. and abroad. They concentrate on providing accreditation to institutions offering degree programs in a narrow range of related specialized subjects, or using nontraditional modes of delivery, rather than to comprehensive liberal arts institutions.

Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC)
2101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 302, Arlington, Virginia 22201
Phone: 703-247-4212 Fax: 703-247-4533
Web: http://www.accsc.org/

Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training
1722 N St., NW, Washington DC, 20036
Phone: 202-955-1113 Fax: 202-955-1118
Web: www.accet.org

Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS)
750 First Street NE, Suite 980, Washington, DC 20002
Phone: 202-336-6780 Fax: 202-842-2593
Web: www.acics.org

Distance Education and Training Council (DETC)
1601 Eighteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20009
Phone: 202-234-5100 Fax: 202-332-1386
Web: www.detc.org

U.S. REGIONAL ACCREDITING ASSOCIATIONS
These accrediting associations are recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and accredit entire institutions (as opposed to individual programs) in the U.S., and abroad. They accredit institutions that are located within defined groups of states and territories, as well as foreign institutions located in specified countries and world regions, which apply for U.S. accreditation. While regional associations inspect and approve all types of institutions, they particularly serve traditional institutions that offer...
degree programs in a comprehensive range of academic subjects, such as universities and colleges.

**Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)**
3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104
Phone: 267-284-5000  Fax: 215-662-5950
Web: [www.msche.org](http://www.msche.org)

**Middle States Commission on Secondary Schools**
3624 Market Street, 2 West, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104
Phone: 267-284-5000  Fax: 215-662-5950
Web: [www.css-msa.org](http://www.css-msa.org)

**New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)**
3 Burlington Woods Drive, Suite 100, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803
Phone: 781-425-7700  Fax: 781-425-1001
Web: [http://cihe.neasc.org](http://cihe.neasc.org)

**New York State Board of Regents, State Education Department, Office of the Professions**
State Education Department
The University of the State of New York
89 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12234
Phone: 518-474-5844  Fax: 518-473-4909
Web: [www.nysed.gov](http://www.nysed.gov)

**North Central Association of Schools and Colleges (NCA)**
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, Illinois 60604
Tel. 312-263-0456 Fax 312-263-7462
Web: [www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org](http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org)

**Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities**
8060 165th Avenue, NE, Suite 100, Redmond, Washington 98052
Phone: 425-558-4224 Fax: 425-376-0596
Web: [www.nwccu.org](http://www.nwccu.org)

**Oklahoma Board of Career and Technology Education**
1500 West Seventh Avenue, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074
Phone: 405-743-5444 Fax: 405-743-5541
Web: [www.okcareertech.org](http://www.okcareertech.org)

**Pennsylvania State Board of Vocational Education, Bureau of Career and Technical Education**
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Department of Education
333 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17126
Puerto Rico State Agency for the Approval of Public Postsecondary Vocational, Technical Institutions and Programs
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Department of Education
Post Office Box 190759, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00919
Phone: 787-763-2171 Fax: 787-250-0275
Web: www.de.gobierno.pr

Southern Association of Schools and Colleges (SACS)
1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033
Phone: 404-679-4512 Fax: 404-679-4528
Web address: www.sacscoc.org

Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)
985 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100, Alameda, California 94501
Tel. 510-748-9001 Fax: 510-748-9797
Web: www.wascweb.org

U.S. FAITH-RELATED ACCREDITING ORGANIZATIONS
These accrediting associations are recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and accredit faith-related institutions.

Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE)
Commission on Accreditation
5850 T.G. Lee Boulevard, Suite 130, Orlando, FL 32822
Phone: 407-207-0808 Fax: 407-207-0840
Web: abhe.gospelcom.net

Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc. (ACPE)
Accreditation Commission
1549 Claremont Road, Suite 103, Decatur, GA 30033
Phone: 404-320-1472 Fax: 404-320-0849
Web: www.acpe.edu

Association of Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools (AARTS)
11 Broadway, Suite 405, New York, NY 10004
Phone: 212-363-1991 Fax: 212-533-5335

Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS)
Commission on Accrediting
10 Summit Park Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15275-1110
Phone: 412-788-6505 Fax: 412-788-6510
Web: www.ats.edu
U.S. SPECIALIZED/PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITING ASSOCIATIONS
These associations accredit specific programs of study offered within, and by, institutions that are regionally or nationally accredited. Specialized/Professional associations do not accredit entire institutions, except in a few cases where an institution offers only one degree program in a single subject; thus, accreditation of the program is equivalent to accreditation of the institution. Following are the associations that are recognized by both the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and the U.S. Department of Education. They accredit specialized programs within regionally or nationally accredited other institutions.

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics
120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60606
Phone: 312-899-4872 Fax: 312-899-4817
Web: www.eatright.org/cade
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)
111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202
Phone: 410-347-7700 Fax: 410-625-2238
Web: www.abet.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools
7777 Leseburg Pike, Suite 314 N. Falls Church, VA 22043
Phone: (703) 917-9503 Fax: (703) 917-4109
Web: www.abhes.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM)
8941 Aztec Drive, Suite 2, Eden Prairie, MN 55347
Tel. 952-212-2434
Web: www.acaom.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Accreditation Commission for Audiology Education (ACAIE)
1718 M Street, NW #297, Washington, DC 20036
Phone: 202-544-9339 Fax: 202-544-9318
Web: www.acaieaccredited.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation
Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing
3343 Peachtree Road, NE, Suite 500, Atlanta, GA 30326
Phone: 404-975-5000  Fax: 404-975-5020
Web: www.nlnac.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education
8403 Colesville Road, Suite 1550, Silver Spring, MD 20910
Phone: 240-485-1802  Fax: 240-485-1818
Web: www.midwife.org/accreditation
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP)
11520 West 119th Street, Overland Park, KS 66213
Phone: 913-339-9356  Fax: 913-339-6226
Web: www.acbsp.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)
135 South LaSalle Street, Suite 4100, Chicago, IL 60603
Phone: 312-664-3575  Fax: 312-664-4652
Web: www.acpe-accredit.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, Inc.
(ARC-PA)
12000 Findley Road, Suite 240, Duluth, GA 30097
Phone: 770-476-1224  Fax: 770-476-1738
Web: www.arc-pa.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications
(ACEJMC)
School of Journalism, Stauffer-Flint Hall
1435 Jayhawk Boulevard, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS 66045
Phone: 785-864-3986  Fax: 785-864-5225
Web: www2.ku.edu/~acejmc
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Academy for Liberal Education
127 S. Peyton Street, Suite 210, Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: 703-717-9719  Fax: 202-452-8620
Web: www.aale.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education
American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT/COAMFTE)  
Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education  
112 South Alfred Street, Alexandria, VA 22314  
Phone: 703-838-9808  Fax: 703-253-0508  
Web: [www.aamft.org](http://www.aamft.org)  
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS)  
Council for Accreditation (CFA)  
400 North Columbus Street, Suite 202, Alexandria, VA 22314  
Phone: 703-706-4600  Fax: 703-706-4663  
Web: [www.aafcs.org](http://www.aafcs.org)  
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (CoA-NA)  
222 South Prospect Avenue, Suite 304, Park Ridge, IL 60068  
Phone: 847-692-7050  Fax: 847-692-7137  
E-mail: fgerbasi@aan.org  
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education and  
Admissions to the Bar  
321 North Clark Street, 21st Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60610  
Phone 312-988-6744  Fax 312-988-5681  
Web: [www.abanet.org/legaled/](http://www.abanet.org/legaled/)  
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE)  
Committee on Accreditation  
3414 Ashland Avenue, Suite G, St. Joseph, MO 64506  
Phone: 816-233-3747  Fax: 816-233-3793  
Web: [www.abfse.org](http://www.abfse.org)  
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Council for Construction Education (ACCE)  
Board of Trustees  
1717 North Loop 1604 East, Suite 320, San Antonio, TX 78232  
Phone: 210-495-6161  Fax: 210-495-6168  
Web: [www.acce-hq.org](http://www.acce-hq.org)  
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Culinary Federation, Inc. (ACFEF)  
Accrediting Commission  
180 Center Place Way Street, St. Augustine, FL 32095  
Phone: 800-624-9458  Fax: 904-825-4758  
Web: [www.acchefeds.org](http://www.acchefeds.org)  
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation
American Dental Association (ADA)
Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)
211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60611
Phone: 312-440-2940  Fax: 312-587-5107
Web: www.ada.org/100.aspx
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

American Library Association (ALA)
Committee on Accreditation (COA)
50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611
Phone: 800-280-2432  Fax: 312-280-2433
Web: www.ala.org/accreditation
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA)
Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE)
4720 Montgomery Lane, PO Box 31220, Bethesda, MD 20824
Phone: 301-652-2682  Fax: 301-652-1417
Web: www.acoteonline.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Optometric Association (AOA)
Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE)
243 North Lindbergh Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63141
Phone: 314-991-4100  Fax: 314-991-4101
Web: www.theacoe.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Osteopathic Association (AOA)
Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA)
142 E. Ontario St., Chicago, IL 60611
Phone: 312-202-8048  Fax: 312-202-8202
Web: www.osteopathic.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA)
Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME)
9312 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
Phone: 301-581-9200  Fax: 301-571-4903
Web: www.cpme.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation
American Psychological Association (APA)
Committee on Accreditation (COA)
750 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002
Phone: 202-336-5979  Fax: 202-336-5978
Web: www.apa.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)
Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB)
636 I Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001
Phone: 202-898-2444  Fax: 202-898-1185
Web: www.asla.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)
Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology
2200 Research Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850
Phone: 301-296-5796  Fax: 301-296-8750
Web: www.asha.org/academic/accreditation/default.htm
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA)
Division of Education and Research
1931 North Meacham Road, Suite 100, Schaumburg, IL 60173
Phone: 847-925-8070  Fax: 847-925-9329
Web: www.avma.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Association of Technology, Management, and Applied Engineering (ATMAE)
1390 Eisenhower Place, Ann Arbor, MI 48108
Phone: 734-677-0720  Fax: 734-677-0046
Web: www.atmae.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)
777 South Harbour Island Boulevard, Suite 750, Tampa, FL 33602-5730
Phone: 813-769-6500  Fax: 813-769-6559
Web: www.aacsb.edu
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Aviation Accreditation Board International (AABI)
3410 Skyway Drive, Auburn, AL USA 36830
Phone: 334-844-2431  Fax: 334-844-2432
Web: www.aabi.aero
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)
American Physical Therapy Association (APTA)
1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: 703-706-3245 Fax: 703-706-3387
Web: www.capteonline.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
1361 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33756
Phone: 727-210-2350 Fax: 727-210-2354
Web: www.caahep.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME)
1700 Rockville Pike, Suite 400, Rockville, MD 20852
Phone: 301-998-6101 Fax: 301-881-6898
Web: www.cahme.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIM)
233 North Michigan Avenue, 21st Floor, Chicago, IL 60601
Phone: 312-233-1183 Fax: 312-233-1483
Web: www.cahiim.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA)
801 North Fairfax Street, Suite 402A, Alexandria, VA 22314 USA
Phone: 703-519-2070 Fax: 703-683-8099
Web: www.cea-accredit.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Commission on Massage Therapy Accreditation
Commission on Massage Therapy Accreditation
5335 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Suite 440, Washington, DC 20015
Phone: 202-895-1518 Fax: 202-895-1519
Web: www.comta.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Commission on Opticianary Accreditation (COA)
PO Box 592, Canton, NY 13617
Phone: 703-468-0566
Web: www.coaccreditation.com
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation
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Committee of Bar Examiners of the State Bar of California
180 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94105
Phone: 415-538-2000
Web: http://admissions.calbar.ca.gov/FutureLawyers.aspx
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)
1001 North Fairfax Street, Suite 510, Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: 703-535-5990  Fax: 703-739-6209
Web: www.cacrep.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE)
Commission on Accreditation
8049 North 85th Way, Scottsdale, AZ 85258
Phone: 480-443-8877  Fax: 480-483-7333
Web: www.cce-usa.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Council on Education for Public Health
800 Eye Street, NW, Suite 202, Washington, DC 20001
Phone: 202-789-1050  Fax: 202-789-1895
Web: http://ceph.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA)
206 Grandville Avenue, Suite 350, Grand Rapids, MI 49503
Phone: 616-458-0400  Fax: 616-458-0460
Web: www.accredit-id.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Council on Naturopathic Medical Education
PO Box 178, Great Barrington, MA 01230
Phone: 413-528-8877
Web: http://www.cnme.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Council on Occupational Education
7840 Roswell Road, Building 300, Suite 325, Atlanta, Georgia 30350
Phone: 770 396-3898  Fax: 770 396-3790
Web: www.council.org
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Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE)
Commission on Standards and Accreditation
1699 E. Woodfield Road, Suite 300, Schaumburg, IL 60173
Phone: 847-944-1345  Fax: 847-944-1324
Web: www.core-rehab.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
Commission on Accreditation
1701 Duke Street, Suite 200, Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: 703-519-2048  Fax: 703-683-8099
Web: www.cswe.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Forensic Science Educational Program Accreditation Commission (FEPAC)
410 North 21st Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904
Phone: 719-636-1100  Fax: 719-636-1993
Web: www.aafs.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE)
11257 Strang Line Road, Lenexa, KS 66215
Phone: 913-631-3009  Fax: 913-631-9154
Web: www.iacbe.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

International Fire Service Accreditation Congress Degree Assembly (IFSAC-DA)
Oklahoma State University, 1700 West Tyler, Stillwater, OK 74078
Phone: 405-744-8802  Fax: 405-744-8303
Web: www.ifSac.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Joint Review Committee on Education Programs in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT)
20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60606
Phone: 312-704-5300  Fax: 312-704-5304
Web: www.jrcert.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT)
2000 W. Danforth Road, Suite 130, #203, Edmond, OK 73003
Phone: 405-285-0546  Fax: 405-285-0579
Web: www.jrcnmt.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation
Kansas State Board of Nursing
900 S.W. Jackson Street, Suite 1051, Topeka, KS 66612
Phone: 785-296-4929  Fax: 785-296-3929
Web: http://www.ksbn.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME)
The LCME is administered in odd-numbered years, beginning each July 1, by:
Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association
515 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois 60610
Phone: 312-464-1690 Fax: 312-464-5830
Web: www.ama-assn.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Maryland Board of Nursing
Patricia A. Noble, Executive Director
4140 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Phone: 410-585-1900  Fax: 410-358-3530
Web: www.mbon.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Midwifery Education Accreditation Council
1935 Pauline Blvd, Suite 100B, Ann Arbor, MI 48103
Phone: 360-466-2080
Web: www.measchools.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Missouri State Board of Nursing
P.O. Box 656, 3605 Missouri Boulevard, Jefferson City, MO 65102
Phone: 573-751-0681  Fax: 573-751-0075
Web: www.pr.mo.gov/nursing.asp
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education, Commission on Accreditation
313 Second Street, S.E., Suite 112, Chalottesville, VA 22902
Phone: 434-202-7793  Fax: 888-525-8838
Web: www.MACTE.org
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National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)
5600 North River Road, Suite 720, Rosemont, IL 60018
Phone: 773-714-8880  Fax: 773-714-8886
Web: www.naacs.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

National Accrediting Commission of Career Arts and Sciences
4401 Ford Ave. Suite 1300, Alexandria, VA 22302
Phone: 703-600-7600  Fax: 703-379-2200
Web: http://naccas.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

National Recreation & Park Association
Council on Accreditation of Parks, Recreation, Tourism, and Related Professions (COAPRT)
22377 Belmont Ridge Road, Ashburn, VA 20148
Phone: 703-858-2195  Fax: 703-858-0794
Web: www.nrpa.org/coaprt
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NSPPAA)
Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation (COPRA)
1029 Vermont Ave. Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005
Phone: 202-628-8965  Fax: 202-626-4978
Web: www.nasppaa.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

North Dakota Board of Nursing
919 South 7th Street, Suite 504, Bismarck, ND 58504
Phone: 701-328-9781  Fax: 701-328-9785
Web: www.ndbon.org
Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Planning Accreditation Board (PAB)
2334 W. Lawrence Ave, Suite 209, Chicago, IL 60625
Phone: 773-334-7200 Fax: 515-252-7404
Web: www.planningaccreditationboard.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS)
1101 East Tenth Street, IU Psychology Building, Bloomington, IN 47405
Phone: 812-856-2570  Fax: 812-322-5545
Web: www.pcsas.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation
Society of American Foresters (SAF)
5400 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814
Phone: 301-897-8720 Fax: 301-897-3690
Web: www.safnet.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC)
One Dupont Circle, Suite 320, Washington, DC 20036
Phone: 202-466-7236 Fax: 202-831-3013
Web: www.teac.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITING ASSOCIATIONS
The U. S. Department of Education does not accredit institutions in foreign countries. However, the Secretary of Education does appoint members to the National Committee on Foreign Medical Education and Accreditation. Not all U.S. institutions, employers, and licensing authorities perform evaluations of non-U.S. diplomas, credits, or qualifications. Applicants or candidates who have completed their education or earned their degrees in foreign countries must have their educational credentials evaluated by an acceptable foreign credential evaluation services. An evaluation agency that is a member of one or more of the following organizations is recognized by the Department of Human Resources:

National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES)
Web: www.naces.org/

NACES Membership Directory:

A2Z Evaluations, LLC
216 F Street, #29, Davis, CA 95616
Phone: 530-400-9266
Web: www.a2zeval.com

Academic Evaluation Services, Inc.
5620 E. Fowler Ave, Suite E, Tampa, FL 33617
Phone: 813-374-2020 Fax: 813-374-2023
Web: http://aes-edu.org

Center for Applied Research, Evaluations, & Education, Inc.
P.O. Box 18358 Anaheim, CA 92817
Phone: 714-237-9272 Fax: 714-237-9279
Web: www.iescaree.com

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Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc.
P.O. Box 514070, Milwaukee, WI 53203
Phone: 414-289-3400 Fax: 414-289-3411
Web: www.ece.org

Education International, Inc.
29 Denton Road, Wellesley, MA 02482
Phone: 781-235-7425 Fax: 781-235-6831
Web: www.educationinternational.org

Educational Perspectives
P.O. Box 618056, Chicago, IL 60661
Phone: 312-421-9300 Fax: 312-421-9353
Web: www.educational-perspectives.org

Educational Records Evaluation Service, Inc.
601 University Avenue, Suite 127, Sacramento, CA 95825
Phone: 916-921-0790 Fax: 916-921-0793
Web: www.eres.com

E-ValReports
3213 W. Wheeler St., #287, Seattle, WA 98199
Phone: 206-257-4249 Fax: 425-349-3420
Web: www.e-valreports.com

Evaluation Service, Inc.
333 W. North Avenue, #284, Chicago, IL 60610
Phone: 845-223-6455 Fax: 845-223-6454
Web: www.evaluationservice.net

Foreign Academic Credential Service, Inc.
P.O. Box 400, Glen Carbon, IL 62034
Phone: 618-656-5291 Fax: 618-656-5292
Web: www.facsusa.com

The Foreign Educational Document Service
P.O. Box 4091, Stockton, CA 95204
Phone: 209-948-6589

Foundation for International Services, Inc.
505 5th Avenue South, Suite 101 Edmonds, WA 98020
Phone: 425-248-2255 Fax: 425-248-2262
Web: www.fis-web.com
Global Credential Evaluators, Inc.
P.O. Box 9203, College Station, TX 77842
Phone: 800-707-0979  Fax: 979-690-6342
Web: www.gceus.com
Or www.gcevaluators.com

Global Services Associates, Inc.
409 North Pacific Coast Highway, # 393, Redondo Beach, CA 90277
Phone: 310-828-5709  Fax: 310-828-5709
Web: www.globaleval.org

International Academic Credential Evaluators, Inc.
P.O. Box 2465, Denton, TX 76202
Phone: 940-383-7498  Fax: 940-382-4874
Web: www.iacei.net

International Consultants of Delaware, Inc.
3600 Market Street, Suite 450, Philadelphia, PA 19104
Phone: 215-243-5858
Web: www.icdeval.com

International Education Research Foundation, Inc.
P.O. Box 3665, Culver City, CA 90231
Phone: 310-258-9451  Fax: 310-342-7086
Web: www.ierf.org

Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.
7101 S.W. 102 Avenue, Miami, FL 33173
Phone: 305-273-1616  Fax: 305-273-1338
Web: www.jsilny.com/

SpanTran Educational Services, Inc.
2400 Augusta Drive, Suite 451, Houston, TX 77057
Phone: 713-266-8805  Fax: 713-789-6022
Web: www.spantran.com

Transcript Research
9090 Skillman St, #182-A PMB 364, Dallas, TX 75243
Phone: 214-810-1124  Fax: 888-745-6756
Web: http://transcriptresearch.com

World Education Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 5087, Bowling Green Station, New York, NY 10274
Phone: 212-966-6311  Fax: 212-739-6100
Web: www.wes.org
Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc. (AICE)
Web: [www.aice-eval.org](http://www.aice-eval.org)

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Academic Credentials Evaluation Institute, Inc. (ACEI)
P.O. Box 6908, 280 S. Beverly Drive, Suite 312, Beverly Hills, CA 90212
Phone: 310-275-3530
Web: [www.acei1.com](http://www.acei1.com)

American Education Research Corporation (AERC)
P.O. Box 996, West Covina, CA 91793
Phone: 626-339-4404 Fax: 626-339-9081
Web: [www.aerc-eval.com](http://www.aerc-eval.com)

Foreign Credential Evaluations, Inc.
1425 Market Boulevard, Suite 330, PMB 305, Roswell, GA 30076
Phone: 770-642-1108 Fax: 770-641-8381
Web: [www.fceatlanta.com](http://www.fceatlanta.com)

Globe Language Services, Inc. (Evaluation Service & Translation)
305 Broadway, Suite 401, New York, NY 10007
Phone: 212-227-1994 Fax: 212-693-1489
Web: [www.globelanguage.com](http://www.globelanguage.com)

International Evaluation Services
P.O. Box 505, Marlboro, NJ 07746
Phone 732-462-5502 Fax: 732-462-5664
Web: [www.iesedu.org](http://www.iesedu.org)

Lisano International (LI)
P.O.Box 407, Auburn, AL 36831
Phone: 334-745-0425
Web: [www.lisano-intl.com](http://www.lisano-intl.com)

SDR Educational Consultants
2600 Gessner, Suite 236, Houston,TX 77080
Phone: 713-460-3525
Web: [www.sdreducational.org](http://www.sdreducational.org)
PUBLICATIONS
A concise listing of junior/community colleges (two-year) and four-year colleges and universities can be found in the last section of Webster's New World Dictionary, 2nd College Edition. A more thorough listing of regional, national, and professional and international accrediting bodies can be found in any of the reference manuals listed below:

*World List of Universities (21st Edition)*
By the International Association of Universities (IAU)
Published by Stockton Press
345 Park Avenue South, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10010
(Information on how to order the book is available on the Internet: [www.unesco.org/iau/wlu.html](http://www.unesco.org/iau/wlu.html), or [www.stocktonpress.com](http://www.stocktonpress.com), or Email: macdir@macmillan.co.uk)

*World List of Universities (1997 online data base)*
This website provides a link to 7,030 Universities in 179 countries. The data base is maintained by Klaus Forster, reproduction and distribution are permissible for non-profit purposes only, but no changes are to made to these documents without the author's written consent.

*International Handbook of Universities*
By International Association of Universities
Published by Stockton Press
345 Park Avenue South, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10010

*American Universities and Colleges*
Produced in collaboration with the American Council on Education (ACE)
Published by Walter de Gruyter, Inc
100 Saw Mill River Road, Hawthorne, NY 10532

*Accredited Institution of Postsecondary Education*
By the American Council on Education
Published in consultation with the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)
One Dupont Circle, NW, Washington, DC 20036

*AACRAO International Education Series Publications*
American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers (AACRAO) is a nonprofit, voluntary, professional association of more than 9,000 higher education admissions and registration professionals who represent approximately 2,300 institutions in more than 35 countries. A complete listing of AACRAO publications and purchasing information is available at:
Web: [http://www.aacrao.org/publications/catalog/wes.htm](http://www.aacrao.org/publications/catalog/wes.htm)
Commonwealth Universities Yearbook 1996-97 Volumes I & II
Association of Commonwealth Universities
Published by the Association of Commonwealth Universities
John Foster House
35 Gordon Square, London, England WC1H 0PF

INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION
The following links are helpful in doing an independent search for information about education around the world. They are organized by topic.

Worldwide Government Information

Governments on the WWW:
This website provides links to government agencies and other official web sites for nearly all countries of the world. The list, maintained by Gunnar Anzinger in Germany, is regularly updated and is organized by region and country.
Web: http://gksoft.com/govt/en/

UNESCO, the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization:
This website provides a mega-site with extensive information on international education and statistics and links to organizations, diplomatic missions, and research and policy bodies around the world.
Web: http://en.unesco.org/

OECD, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development:
This site provides education and economic information concerning the 25 countries that are members of OECD.
Web: www.oecd.org/

International Education Links

UNESCO Educational Information Services:
This website provides extensive information on UNESCO education projects, links to affiliated organizations, and access to the World Academic Database.

The International Association of Universities (IAU):
This association maintains the World Academic Database, containing descriptive data on postsecondary institutions in all countries as well as international educational institutions and national agencies and educational organizations.
Web: www.iau-aiu.net/

The Worldwide Classroom:
This website provides extensive links to primary, secondary, and some postsecondary schools in many countries. General educational information about each country is also presented.
The German Institute for International Pedagogical Research:
This institute presents a variety of research information on comparative education and various national education systems, plus a database of German language materials on education. Information is available in German and English.
Web: www.dipf.de/de/dipf-aktuell/aktuelles

The Institute of International Education (IIE):
This institution is the principal source of information and data on international educational mobility to and from the United States. The IIE Web site permits access to statistics from Open Doors, its annual report on student mobility, as well as many other resources and links.
Web: www.iie.org/

Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU):
It is the official organization of higher education institutions throughout the British Commonwealth of Nations member countries. The Web site provides much useful information on Association activities and links.
Web: www.acu.ac.uk/

OTHER USEFUL LINKS

American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO)
Web: www.aacrao.org

Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)
Web: www.chea.org

National Association of Foreign Student Advisors: Association of International Educators (NAFSA: AIE)
Web: www.nafsa.org
Web: www.aie.org

United States Department of Education
Web: www.ed.gov
Web: www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ous/international/usnei/us/edlite-vitus-forrecog.html

California Department of Education
Web: www.cd.ca.gov