

**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.

PPG 123 - ACCREDITED COLLEGE EDUCATION

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

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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

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

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>

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

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

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

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

Pennsylvania State Board of Vocational Education, Bureau of Career and Technical Education

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Department of Education

333 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17126

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Phone: 717-783-9780 Fax: 717-787-7222

Web: www.education.state.pa.us

**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

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**Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS)
Accreditation Commission**
15935 Forest Road, Forest, VA 24551
Phone: 434-525-9539 Fax: 434-525-9538
Web: www.tracs.org

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 Leesburg 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 (ACAE)

1718 M Street, NW #297, Washington, DC 20036
Phone: 202-544-9339 Fax: 202-544-9318
Web: www.acaeaccred.org
Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

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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

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**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

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

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@aana.com

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/

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

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

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.acfchefs.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

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**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

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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 (CAHIIM)**

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

Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

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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

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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

The LCME is administered in even-numbered years, beginning each July 1, by:

Association of American Medical Colleges

2450 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20037

Phone: 202-828-0596 Fax: 202-828-1125

Web: www.lcme.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.meacschools.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, Charlottesville, 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.naacls.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.naspaa.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

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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.

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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
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Foundation for International Services, Inc.

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Global Credential Evaluators, Inc.

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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
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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

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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

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

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

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

International Evaluation Services

P.O.Box 505, Marlboro, NJ 07746

Phone 732-462-5502 Fax: 732-462-5664

Web: www.iesedu.org

Lisano International (LI)

P.O.Box 407, Auburn, AL 36831

Phone: 334-745-0425

Web: www.lisano-intl.com

SDR Educational Consultants

2600 Gessner, Suite 236, Houston, TX 77080

Phone: 713-460-3525

Web: 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, or 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 be made to these documents without the author's written consent.

Web: <http://univ.cc/world.php>

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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>

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.

Web: www.unesco.org/unedi/index.php/eng/doc/tous.html

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.

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Web: www.worldwide.edu/index.html

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-vistus-forrecog.html

California Department of Education

Web: www.cd.ca.gov