

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 (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.¹

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

1952/2002/2007

3624 Market Street

Philadelphia, PA 19104-2680

(267) 284-5000 Fax (215) 662-5501

Jean Avnet Morse, Executive Director

E-mail: info@msche.org

URL: www.msche.org

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

New England Association of Schools and Colleges

1952/2002/2007

209 Burlington Road

Bedford, MA 01730-1433

(781) 271-0022 Fax (781) 271-0950

Jacob Ludes III, Executive Director

E-mail: jludes@neasc.org

URL: www.neasc.org

Commission on Institutions of Higher Education **EH**

Barbara E. Brittingham, Director of the Commission

E-mail: bbrittingham@neasc.org

(Initially recognized in 1952)

Commission on Technical and Career Institutions **EV**

Paul J. Bento, Director

E-mail: pbento@neasc.org

(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

¹U.S. Department of Education, Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies, www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/accreditation.html.

1952/2002/2007

30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400

Chicago, IL 60602-2504

(800) 621-7440 Fax (312) 263-7462

Steven D. Crow, Executive Director

E-mail: info@hlcommission.org

URL: www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org

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

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities NW

1952/2002/2007

8060 165th Avenue, NE, Suite 100

Redmond, WA 98052

(425) 558-4224 Fax (425) 376-0596

Sandra E. Elman, Executive Director

E-mail: selman@nwccu.org

URL: www.nwccu.org

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

1866 Southern Lane

Decatur, GA 30033-4097

(800) 248-7701 Fax (404) 679-4558

Belle S. Wheelan, President

E-mail: bwheelan@sacscoc.org

URL: www.sacscoc.org

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

1952/2006/2011

985 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100

Alameda, CA 94501

(510) 748-9001 Fax (510) 748-9797

Ralph A. Wolff, Executive Director

E-mail: wascsr@wascsenior.org

URL: www.wascweb.org

Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges

Western Association of Schools and Colleges WJ

1952/2002/2007

10 Commercial Boulevard, Suite 204

Novato, CA 94949

(415) 506-0234 Fax (415) 506-0238

Barbara A. Beno, Executive Director

E-mail: accjc@pacbell.net

URL: www.wascweb.org

¹U.S. Department of Education, Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies, www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/accreditation.html.

National, Professional and Specialized Accrediting Bodies

Acupuncture

Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM)

1988/2005/2010
Maryland Trade Center 3
7501 Greenway Center Drive, Suite 820
Greenbelt, MD 20770
(301) 313-0855 Fax (301) 313-0912
Dort S. Bigg, Executive Director
E-mail: acaom1@compuserve.com
URL: www.acaom.org

First-professional master's degree and professional master's level certificate and diploma programs in acupuncture and Oriental medicine, and freestanding institutions that offer such programs **ACUP**

Allied Health

Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES)

1969/2004/2009
7777 Leesburg Pike, Suite 314N
Falls Church, VA 22043
(703) 917-9503 Fax (703) 917-9504
Carol Moneymaker, Executive Director
E-mail: cmoneymaker@abhес.org
URL: www.abhes.org

Institutions specializing in allied health education **ABHES**

Specialized programs for

Medical laboratory technician **MLTAB**
Medical assistant **MAAB**

Council on Accreditation and Recognition
Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
1361 Park Street
Clearwater, FL 33756
(727) 210-2350 Fax (727) 210-2354
Kathleen Megivern, Executive Director
E-mail: caahep@caahep.org
URL: www.caahep.org

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) is recognized as an accrediting agency for accreditation of education for the allied health occupations. In carrying out its accreditation activities, CAAHEP cooperates with the Committees on Accreditation sponsored by various allied health and medical specialty organizations. CAAHEP is the coordinating agency for accreditation of education for the following allied health occupations:

Anesthesiologist assistant **AA**
Blood bank technology **BBT**
Cardiovascular technologist **CVT**
Cytotechnologist **CYTO**
Diagnostic medical sonographer **DMS**
Electroneurodiagnostic technologist **EEG**
Emergency medical technician-paramedic **EMT**
Kinesiotherapy **KIN**
Medical assistant **MAC**
Medical illustrator **MIL**
Orthotist/prosthetist **OPE**
Perfusionist **PERF**

Respiratory therapist **RSTH**
Respiratory therapy technician **RSTHT**
Surgeon assistant **SURGA**
Surgical technologist **SURGT**

Anesthesiologist Assistant

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Accreditation Review Committee for the Anesthesiologist's Assistant

4358 Whittington Way
Norcross, GA 30092
(770) 414-4431
Brad Maxwell, Chair
E-mail: b_j_maxwell@yahoo.com

Post-baccalaureate programs for anesthesiologist assistant **AA**

Art

Commission on Accreditation National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD)

1966/2002/2007
11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21
Reston, VA 20190
(703) 437-0700 Fax (703) 437-6312
Samuel Hope, Executive Director
E-mail: info@arts-accredit.org
URL: www.arts-accredit.org

Degree-granting schools and departments and non-degree-granting schools that are predominantly organized to offer education in art, design, or art/design related disciplines **ART**

Aviation

Aviation Accreditation Board International

3410 Skyway Drive
Auburn, AL 36830
(334) 844-2431 Fax (334) 844-2432
Gary W. Kitley, Executive Director
E-mail: caa@auburn.edu
URL: www.caaaccreditation.org

Programs for aviation **AAB**

Bible College Education

Commission on Accreditation Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE)

1952/2006/2011
5575 S. Semoran Boulevard, Suite 26
Orlando, FL 32822-1781
(407) 207-0808 Fax (407) 207-0840
Ralph E. Enlow, Jr., Executive Director
E-mail: renlow@abhe.org
URL: www.abhe.org

Bible colleges and institutions offering undergraduate programs **BI**

Blood Bank Technology

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

American Association of Blood Banks (AABB)

8101 Glenbrook Road
Bethesda, MD 20814-2749
(301) 907-6977 Fax (301) 907-6895

Candice Tretter, Director of Education
E-mail: aabb@aabb.org
URL: www.aabb.org

Programs for blood bank technologist **BBT**

Business

AACSB-The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business

777 South Harbour Island Boulevard, Suite 750
Tampa, FL 33602
(813) 769-6500 Fax (813) 769-6559
Jerry Trapnell, Executive Vice President and Chief Accreditation Officer
E-mail: accreditation@aacsb.edu
URL: www.aacsb.edu

Programs for:

Business and management education **BUS**
Accounting **BUSA**

Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS)

1956/2006/2011
750 First Street NE, Suite 980
Washington, DC 20002-4241
(202) 336-6780 Fax (202) 842-2593
Sheryl L. Moody, Executive Director
E-mail: smoodly@acics.org
URL: www.acics.org

Private, postsecondary institutions offering specialized associate, associate, baccalaureate and master's degree programs to educate students for professional, technical, or occupational careers **ACICS**

Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP)

7007 College Boulevard, Suite 420
Overland Park, KS 66211
(913) 339-9356 Fax (913) 339-6226
Douglas Viehland, Executive Director
E-mail: info@acbsp.org
URL: www.acbsp.org

Business administration, management, accounting and related business fields **ACBSP**

Cardiovascular Technology

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Joint Review Committee on Education in Cardiovascular Technology (JRC-CVT)

1248 Harwood Road
Bedford, TX 76021-4244
(214) 206-3117 Fax (817) 354-8519
Jeff Davis, Interim Director
URL: www.jrccvt.org

Programs for cardiovascular technology **CVT**

Chiropractic

Commission on Accreditation
The Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE)

1974/2006/2011
8049 North 85th Way
Scottsdale, AZ 85258-4321
(480) 443-8877 Fax (480) 483-7333
Martha S. O'Connor, Executive Director
E-mail: cce@cce-usa.org

URL: www.cce-usa.org

Programs leading to and institutions offering the Doctorate of Chiropractic (D.C.) degree **CHIRO**

Christian Studies Education

Accreditation Commission
Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS)

1991/2004/2009
PO Box 328
Forest, VA 24551

(434) 525-9539 Fax (434) 525-9538
Russell G. Fitzgerald, Executive Director
E-mail: info@tracs.org
URL: www.tracs.org

Christian liberal arts institutions which offer a certificate/diploma, associate, baccalaureate and graduate degrees **TRACS**

Clinical Laboratory Sciences

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)

8410 West Bryn Mawr Avenue, Suite 670
Chicago, IL 60631-3415
(773) 714-8880 Fax (773) 714-8886

Olive M. Kimball, Executive Director
E-mail: naacslinfo@naacsl.org
URL: www.naacsl.org

Programs for:

- histologic technician/technologist **HT**
- medical laboratory technician (certificate) **MLTC**
- medical laboratory technician (associate) **MLTAD**
- medical technologist **MT**
- pathologists' assistant **PA**

Clinical Pastoral Education

Accreditation Commission
Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc. (ACPEI)

1969/2001/2006
1549 Clairmont Road, Suite 103
Decatur, GA 30033-4611
(404) 320-1472 Fax (404) 320-0849
Teresa E. Snorton, Executive Director
E-mail: acpe@acpe.edu
URL: www.acpe.edu

Basic, advanced and supervisory clinical pastoral education programs **PAST**

Construction Education

American Council for Construction Education (ACCE)

1717 North Loop 1604 East, Suite 320
San Antonio, TX 78232-1570
(210) 495-6161 Fax (210) 495-6168
Michael Holland, Executive Vice President
E-mail: mholland@acce-hq.org
URL: www.acce-hq.org

Associate and baccalaureate degree programs **CONST**

Continuing Education

Accrediting Commission
Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training (ACCET)
1978/2002/2007

1722 N Street NW
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 955-1113 Fax (202) 955-1118
Roger J. Williams, Executive Director
E-mail: rjwilliams@accet.org
URL: www.accet.org

Institutions offering noncollegiate continuing education and institutions offering occupational associate degree programs **CNCE**

Cosmetology

National Accrediting Commission of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences (NACCAS)

1970/2006/2008
4401 Ford Avenue, Suite 1300
Alexandria, VA 22302-1432
(703) 600-7600 Fax (703) 379-2200
Christopher C. Walck, Executive Director
E-mail: naccas@naccas.org
URL: www.naccas.org

Postsecondary schools and departments of cosmetology arts and sciences and massage therapy **COSME**

Counseling and Related Educational Programs

American Counseling Association
Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)

1001 North Fairfax Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 535-5990 Fax (703) 739-6209
Carol L. Bobby, Executive Director
E-mail: cacrep@aol.com
URL: www.cacrep.org

Master's degree programs in community counseling, marriage and family counseling, mental health counseling, school counseling, student affairs practice in higher education and doctorate degree programs in counselor education and supervision **CACREP**

Culinary Arts

Accrediting Commission
American Culinary Federation, Inc.
180 Center Place Way Street
St. Augustine, FL 32095
(904) 824-4468 Fax (904) 825-4758
Candice Childers, Accreditation Manager
E-mail: acf@acfchefs.net
URL: www.acfchefs.org

Programs in culinary arts and food service management which award certificates, diplomas or associate degrees **ACFEI**

Cytotechnology

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)
Cytotechnology Programs Review Committee
American Society of Cytopathology
400 West 9th Street, Suite 201
Wilmington, DE 19801-1555
(302) 429-8802 Fax (302) 429-8807
Debby Macintyre, CPRC Secretary
E-mail: asc@cytopathology.org
URL: www.cytopathology.org

Programs for the cytotechnologist **CYTO**

Dance

Commission on Accreditation
National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD)

1983/2002/2007
11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21
Reston, VA 20190
(703) 437-0700 Fax (703) 437-6312
Samuel Hope, Executive Director
E-mail: info@arts-accredit.org
URL: www.arts-accredit.org

Institutions and units within institutions offering degree- and non-degree-granting programs in dance and dance-related disciplines **DANCE**

Dental and Dental Auxiliary Programs

Commission on Dental Accreditation
American Dental Association (ADA)
1952/2006/2011

211 East Chicago Avenue, 18th Floor
Chicago, IL 60611
(800) 621-8099 Fax (312) 440-2915
Laura M. Neumann, Interim Director
E-mail: neumannL@ada.org
URL: www.ada.org

Programs leading to:

- D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree, advanced general dentistry and specialty programs **DENT**
- Dental hygiene **DH**
- Dental assisting **DA**
- Dental laboratory technology **DT**

Diagnostic Medical Sonography

Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography

2025 Woodlane Drive
St. Paul, MN 55125-2998
(651) 731-1582
Amanda Glassing, Accreditation Coordinator
E-mail: jrc-dms@jcahpo.org
URL: www.jrcdms.org

Programs for the diagnostic medical sonographer **DMS**

Dietetics

Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education

The American Dietetic Association
1974/2002/2007

120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000
Chicago, IL 60606-6995
(312) 899-4872 Fax (312) 899-4817
Beverly E. Mitchell, Director
Accreditation and Student Operations
E-mail: bmitchell@eatright.org
URL: www.eatright.org/cade

Coordinated programs in dietetics **DIETC**
Didactic programs **DIETD**
Post-baccalaureate internships **DIETI**
Dietetic technician programs **DIETT**

Distance Education and Training

Accrediting Commission
Distance Education and Training Council (DETC)

1959/2006/2011
1601 18th Street NW
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 234-5100 Fax (202) 332-1386
Michael P. Lambert, Executive Director
E-mail: detc@detc.org
URL: www.detc.org

Distance education institutions including associate, baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degree-granting programs primarily through the distance learning method **DETC**

Electroneurodiagnostic Technology

Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Committee on Accreditation for Education in Electroneurodiagnostic Technology

6654 South Sycamore Street
Littleton, CO 80120
(303) 738-0770 Fax (303) 738-3223
Theresa Sisneros, Executive Secretary
E-mail: office@coa-end.org

Programs for the electroneurodiagnostic technologist **EEG**

Emergency Medical Services

Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Committee on Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions

1248 Harwood Road
Bedford, TX 76021-4244
(817) 283-9403 Fax (817) 354-8519
George Hatch, Executive Director

Programs for the emergency medical technician-paramedic **EMT**

Engineering

Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc. (ABET)

111 Market Place, Suite 1050
Baltimore, MD 21202-4012
(410) 347-7700 Fax (410) 625-2238
George D. Peterson, Executive Director
E-mail: abet@abet.org
URL: www.abet.org

Basic (baccalaureate) and advanced (master's) level programs in engineering **ENG**
Associate and baccalaureate degree programs in engineering technology **ENGT**
Engineering-related programs at the baccalaureate and advanced degree level **ENGR**

Baccalaureate programs in computer science **CS**

English Language

Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA)

2003/2005/2010
1725 Duke Street, Suite 500
Alexandria, VA 22314-3457
(703) 519-2070 Fax (703) 683-8099
Teresa D. O'Donnell, Executive Director
E-mail: todonnell@cea-accredit.org
URL: www.cea-accredit.org

Non-degree-granting English language programs and institutions **CEA**

Family and Consumer Sciences

Council for Accreditation
American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS)
400 North Columbus Street, Suite 202
Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 706-4600 Fax (703) 706-4663
Karen Tucker, Executive Director
E-mail: info@aaafs.org
URL: www.aaafs.org

Baccalaureate programs in family and consumer sciences **AAFCS**

Forestry

Society of American Foresters (SAF)
5400 Grosvenor Lane
Bethesda, MD 20814-2198
(301) 897-8720 Fax (301) 897-3690
Terry Clark, Associate Director of Science and Education
E-mail: clarkt@safnet.org
URL: www.safnet.org

Programs leading to a bachelor's or higher first-professional degree in forestry **FOR**
Associate degree programs for forest technology **FORTEC**

Funeral Service Education

Committee on Accreditation
American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE)
1972/2002/2007
3432 Ashland Avenue, Suite U
St. Joseph, MO 64506
(816) 233-3747 Fax (816) 233-3793
Dr. Michael Smith, Executive Director
E-mail: exdir@abfse.org
URL: www.abfse.org

Institutions and programs awarding diplomas, associate and bachelor's degrees in funeral service or mortuary science **FUSER**

Health Services Administration

Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME)
1970/2002/2007
2000 14th Street North, Suite 780
Arlington, VA 22201
(703) 894-0960 Fax (703) 894-0941
Pamela S. Jenness, Director of Accreditation Operations
E-mail: pjenness@cahmeweb.org
URL: www.cahmeweb.org

Graduate programs in health services administration **HSA**

Histologic Technology

See Clinical Laboratory Sciences

Home Study Education

See Distance Education and Training

Industrial Technology

National Association of Industrial Technology
3300 Washtenaw Avenue, Suite 220

Ann Arbor, MI 48104-4200
(734) 677-0720 Fax (734) 677-0046
Rick Coscarelli, Executive Director
E-mail: nait@nait.org
URL: www.nait.org

Programs designed to prepare technical and/or management professionals to manage, operate, and maintain complex technological systems **NAIT**

Interior Design

Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA)

146 Monroe Center NW, Suite 1318
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2822
(616) 458-0400 Fax (616) 458-0460
Holly Mattson, Executive Director
E-mail: info@accredit-id.org
URL: www.accredit-id.org

Two-year pre-professional assistant level programs (certificate and associate degree), first professional degree level programs (master's and baccalaureate degree and three-year certificate) **CIDA**

Journalism and Mass Communications

Accrediting Committee Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC)

University of Kansas School of Journalism
Stauffer-Flint Hall
1435 Jayhawk Boulevard
Lawrence, KS 66045-7575
(785) 864-3986 Fax (785) 864-5225
Susanne Shaw, Executive Director
E-mail: sshaw@ku.edu
URL: www.ku.edu/~acejmc

Units within institutions offering professional baccalaureate and master's degree programs **JOUR**

Kinesiotherapy

Committee on Accreditation of Education Programs for Kinesiotherapy

University of Southern Mississippi
Box 5142
Hattiesburg, MS 39406
(601) 266-5371 Fax (601) 266-4445
Jerry W. Purvis
E-mail: jerry.purvis@usm.edu

Kinesiotherapy programs **KIN**

Landscape Architecture

Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board
American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)
636 Eye Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001-3736
(202) 898-2444 Fax (202) 898-1185
Ron Leighton, Director of Education
E-mail: rleighton@asla.org
URL: www.asla.org

Baccalaureate and master's programs leading to the first professional degree **LSAR**

Law

Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar

American Bar Association (ABA)

1952/2006/2008
321 North Clark Street, 21st Fl
Chicago, IL 60610-4714
(312) 988-6746 Fax (312) 988-5681
Hulett H. Askew, Consultant on Legal Education
E-mail: askewh@staff.abanet.org
URL: www.abanet.org/legaled

Programs in legal education; professional schools of law **LAW**

Liberal Education

American Academy for Liberal Education (AALE)

1995/2001/2006
1050 17th Street NW #400
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 452-8611 Fax (202) 452-8620
Jeffrey D. Wallin, President
E-mail: info@aale.org
URL: www.aale.org

Institutions of higher education and programs within institutions of higher education that offer liberal arts degree(s) at the baccalaureate level or a documented equivalency **AALE**

Librarianship

Committee on Accreditation
American Library Association (ALA)
50 East Huron Street
Chicago, IL 60611
(800) 545-2433 Fax (312) 280-2433
Karen O'Brien, Director of Accreditation
E-mail: accred@ala.org
URL: www.ala.org/accreditation

Master's programs leading to the first professional degree **LIB**

Marriage and Family Therapy

Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education
American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT)
1978/2005/2008
112 South Alfred Street
Alexandria, VA 22314-3061
(703) 253-0459 Fax (703) 253-0508
Jeff S. Harmon, Director of Accreditation Services
E-mail: COAMFTE@aamft.org
URL: www.aamft.org

Clinical training programs at the master's, doctorate and post-graduate levels **MFC**

Massage Therapy

Commission on Massage Therapy Accreditation

2002/2004/2009
1007 Church Street, Suite 302
Evanston, IL 60201-4444
(847) 869-5039 Fax (847) 864-6739
Steve Fridley, Executive Director
E-mail: stevefridley@comta.org
URL: www.comta.org

Institutions that award postsecondary certificates, diplomas, and associate degrees in the practice of massage therapy and bodywork **COMTA**

Medical Assistant Education

Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES)

1982/1999/2003 (see listing under Allied Health)

Private medical assistant schools and programs **MAAB**

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Curriculum Review Board American Association of Medical Assistants Endowment

20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 1575
Chicago, IL 60606-2963
(312) 899-1500 Fax (312) 899-1259
Judy Jondahl, Director of Accreditation
E-mail: jjondahl@aama-ntl.org
URL: www.aama-ntl.org

One and two year medical assistant programs **MAC**

Medical Laboratory Technician Education

Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES)

1982/2004/2009 (see listing under Allied Health)

Schools and programs for the medical laboratory technician **MLTAB**

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)

(see listing under Clinical Laboratory Sciences)

Programs for medical laboratory technician (certificate) **MLTC**
(associate degree) **MLTAD**

Medical Illustrator Education

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Accreditation Review Committee for the Medical Illustrator

Saint Luke's Hospital Instructional Resources
32531 Meadowlark Way
Pepper Pike, OH 44124
(216) 595-9363 Fax (216) 595-9360
Kathy Jung, Chair, ARC-MI
E-mail: kijung@aol.com

Programs for medical illustrator **MIL**

Medical Technology

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)

(see listing under Clinical Laboratory Sciences)

Programs for medical technologist **MT**

Medicine

Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) of the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association and the Association of American Medical Colleges

1952/2002/2007
The LCME is administered in odd-numbered years, beginning each July 1, by:

Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association (AMA)

515 North State Street
Chicago, IL 60610
(312) 464-4657 Fax (312) 464-5830
Barbara Barzanski, Interim Secretary
E-mail: barbara.barzanski@ama-assn.org
URL: www.lcme.org

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

Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC)

2450 N Street NW
Washington, DC 20037-1127
(202) 828-0596 Fax (202) 828-1125
Dan Hunt, LCME Secretary
E-mail: dhunt@aamc.org
URL: www.lcme.org

Programs leading to the M.D. degree **MED**

Midwifery Education

Midwifery Education Accreditation Council (MEAC)

2001/2002/2007
515 East Cherry Avenue
Flagstaff, AZ 86001-4607
(928) 214-0997 Fax (928) 773-9694
Mary Ann Baul, Executive Director
E-mail: info@meacschools.org
URL: www.meacschools.org

Accreditation of direct-entry midwifery educational institutions and programs conferring degrees and certificates **MEAC**

Montessori Teacher Education

Commission on Accreditation Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (MACTE)

1995/2003/2008
524 Main Street, Suite 202
Racine, WI 53403
(262) 898-1846 Fax (262) 898-1849
Gretchen Warner, Executive Director
E-mail: warner@macte.org
URL: www.macte.org

Montessori teacher-education programs and institutions **MACTE**

Music

Commission on Accreditation
Commission on Non-Degree-Granting Accreditation
Commission on Community/Junior College Accreditation
National Association of Schools of Music (NASM)

1952/2002/2007
11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21
Reston, VA 20190
(703) 437-0700 Fax (703) 437-6312

Samuel Hope, Executive Director
E-mail: info@arts-accredit.org
URL: www.arts-accredit.org

Institutions and units within institutions offering degree- and non-degree-granting programs in music and music-related disciplines **MUS**

Naturopathic Medical Education

Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME)

2003/2005/2008
PO Box 178
Great Barrington, RI 01230
(413) 528-8877 Fax (413) 528-8880
Daniel Seitz, Executive Director
E-mail: staff@cnme.org
URL: www.cnme.org

Graduate-level, four-year naturopathic medical education programs **NATUR**

Nuclear Medicine Technology

Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology

1974/2006/2011
2000 West Danforth Road, Suite 130
Edmund, OK 73003
(405) 285-0546 Fax (405) 285-0579
Jan M. Winn, Executive Director
E-mail: jrcnmt@coxinet.net
URL: www.jrcnmt.org

Programs for the nuclear medicine technologist **NMT**

Nurse Anesthetists

Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs
American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA)
1955/2002/2007
222 South Prospect Avenue, Suite 304
Park Ridge, IL 60068-4001
(847) 692-7050 Fax (847) 692-6968
Francis Gerbasi, Director of Accreditation and Education
E-mail: info@aana.com
URL: www.aana.com

Nurse anesthesia educational institutions and programs at the certificate, master's and doctoral degree levels **ANEST**

Nurse-Midwifery

Division of Accreditation
American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM)
1982/2006/2009
8403 Colesville Road, Suite 1550
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(240) 485-1800 Fax (240) 485-1818
Diane Boyer, Chair, Division of Accreditation
E-mail: info@acnm.org
URL: www.midwife.org

Pre-certification, basic certificate and master's degree nurse-midwifery educational programs **MIDWF**

Nurse Practitioners

Council on Accreditation
National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health

1996/2002/2007
505 C Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 543-9693 Fax (202) 543-9858
Susan Wysocki, Executive Director
E-mail: info@npwh.org
URL: www.npwh.org

Women's health nurse practitioner programs **NPRH**

Nursing

Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

2000/2006/2011
One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 530
Washington, DC 20036-1120
(202) 887-6791 Fax (202) 887-8476
Jennifer Butlin, Director
E-mail: jbutlin@aacn.nche.edu
URL: www.aacn.nche.edu/accreditation

Baccalaureate and higher degree nursing education **NURSE**

Accrediting Commission National League for Nursing (NLNAC)

1952/2001/2006
61 Broadway, 33rd Floor
New York, NY 10006
(800) 669-1656 Fax (212) 812-0390
Sharon J. Tanner, Executive Director
E-mail: stanner@nlac.org
URL: www.nlnac.org

Programs in:

Practical nursing (certificate) **PNUR**
Diploma nurse education **DNUR**
Associate degree **ADNUR**
Baccalaureate and higher degree nurse education **NUR**

Occupational Education

Council on Occupational Education (COE)

1969/2001/2005
41 Perimeter Center East, NE, Suite 640
Atlanta, GA 30346
(770) 396-3898 Fax (770) 396-3790
Gary Puckett, President
E-mail: info@council.org
URL: www.council.org

Occupational/vocational institutions that grant the applied associate degree in specific vocational/occupational fields **COE**

Occupational Therapy

Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education
American Occupational Therapy Association

1952/2006/2011
4720 Montgomery Lane, PO Box 31220
Bethesda, MD 20824-1220
(301) 652-2682 Fax (301) 652-7711
Neil Harrison, Executive Director of Accreditation
E-mail: nharrison@aota.org
URL: www.aota.org

Occupational therapy programs **OT**
Occupational therapy assistant programs **OTA**

Opticianry

Commission on Opticianry Accreditation (COA)

1985/2001/2006
8665 Sudley Road #341
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 940-9134 Fax (703) 940-9135
Tamara A. L. Halstead, Director of Accreditation
E-mail: coa@coaccreditation.com
URL: www.coaccreditation.com

Two-year programs for ophthalmic dispenser **OPD**

One-year programs for ophthalmic laboratory technician **OPLT**

Optometry

Accreditation Council on Optometric Education

American Optometric Association (AOA)

1952/2002/2007
243 North Lindbergh Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63141
(314) 991-4100 Fax (314) 991-4101
Joyce L. Urbeck, Administrative Director
E-mail: jlurbeck@aoa.org
URL: www.aoa.org

Programs in:

First professional **OPT**
Optometric residency **OPTR**
Optometric technology **OPTT**

Orthotic and Prosthetic Education

Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

National Commission on Orthotic and Prosthetic Education (NCOPE)

330 John Carlyle Street, Suite 200
Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 836-7114 Fax (703) 836-0838
Robin C. Seabrook, Director
E-mail: rseabrook@ncope.org

Programs for orthotic and prosthetic education **OPE**

Osteopathic Medicine

Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation

American Osteopathic Association

1952/2005/2010
Department of Education
142 East Ontario Street
Chicago, IL 60611-2864
(312) 202-8048 Fax (312) 202-8202
Konrad C. Miskowicz-Retz, Director
E-mail: kretz@osteopathic.org
URL: www.osteopathic.org

Programs leading to and institutions offering the D.O. (Doctor of Osteopathy/Osteopathic Medicine) degree **OSTEO**

Perfusion

Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Accreditation Committee for Perfusion Education

6654 South Sycamore Street
Littleton, CO 80120
(303) 738-0770 Fax (303) 738-3223
Theresa Sisneros, Executive Secretary

E-mail: ac-pe@msn.com

Programs for the perfusionist **PERF**

Pharmacy

Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)

1952/2006/2011
20 North Clark, Suite 2500
Chicago, IL 60602-5109
(312) 664-3575 Fax (312) 664-4652
Peter H. Vlases, Executive Director
E-mail: csinfo@acpe-accredit.org
URL: www.acpe-accredit.org

Professional degree programs in pharmacy
PHAR

Physical Therapy

Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education
American Physical Therapy Association (APTA)

1977/2006/2011
Trans Potomac Plaza
1111 North Fairfax Street
Alexandria, VA 22314-1448
(703) 706-3245 Fax (703) 684-7343
Mary Jane Harris, Director
E-mail: maryjaneharris@apta.org
URL: www.apta.org

Professional programs for the physical therapist
PTA
Programs for the physical therapist assistant
PTAA

Physician Assistant

Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA)

12000 Findley Road, Suite 240
Duluth, GA 30097
(770) 476-1224 Fax (770) 476-1249
John McCarty, Executive Director
E-mail: arc-pa@arc-pa.org
URL: www.arc-pa.org

Programs for the physician assistant **ARCPA**

Planning (City and Regional)

Planning Accreditation Board
American Institute of Certified Planners/ Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning

122 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 1600
Chicago, IL 60603
(312) 334-1271 Fax (312) 334-1273
Shonagh Merits, Executive Director
E-mail: pab@planning.org
URL: showcase.netins.net/web/pab_fi66/index.htm

Bachelor and master's level programs in planning
PLNG

Podiatry

Council on Podiatric Medical Education
American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA)

1952/2005/2010
9312 Old Georgetown Road
Bethesda, MD 20814-1621

(301) 571-9200 Fax (301) 571-4903
Alan R. Tinkleman, Director
E-mail: artinkleman@apma.org
URL: www.cpme.org

Colleges and programs of podiatric medicine, including first professional and graduate degree programs **POD**

Psychology

Committee on Accreditation
American Psychological Association (APA)

1970/2004/2009
750 First Street NE
Washington, DC 20002-4242
(202) 336-5979 Fax (202) 336-5978
Susan F. Zlotlow, Director Program Consultation and Accreditation
E-mail: apaaccred@apa.org
URL: www.apa.org/ed/accred.html

Doctoral programs in:

Clinical psychology **CLPSY**
Counseling psychology **COPSY**
Combined professional-scientific psychology **PSPSY**
School psychology **SCPSY**
Pre-doctoral internship program in professional psychology **IPSY**
Post-doctoral residency in professional psychology **PDPSPY**

Public Affairs and Administration

Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation
National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA)
1120 G Street, NW, Suite 730
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 628-8965 Fax (202) 626-4978
Laurel McFarland, Executive Director
E-mail: naspaa@naspaa.org
URL: www.naspaa.org

Master's degree programs in public affairs and administration **SPAA**

Public Health

Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)

1974/2002/2007
800 Eye Street NW, Suite 202
Washington, DC 20001-3710
(202) 789-1050 Fax (202) 789-1895
Laura Rasar King, Executive Director
E-mail: lking@ceph.org
URL: www.ceph.org

Graduate schools of public health **PH**
Graduate programs offered outside schools of public health in:

Community health education **CHE**
Community health/preventive medicine
CHPM

Rabbinical and Talmudic Education

Accreditation Commission
Association of Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools (AARTS)

1974/2002/2007
11 Broadway, Suite 405
New York, NY 10004
(212) 363-1991 Fax (212) 533-5335

Bernard Fryshman, Executive Vice President
Advanced rabbinical and Talmudic schools
RABN

Radiologic Technology

Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology

1957/2006/2011
20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 2850
Chicago, IL 60606-3182
(312) 704-5300 Fax (312) 704-5304
Joanne S. Greathouse, Executive Director
E-mail: mail@jrcert.org
URL: www.jrcert.org

Programs for:
Radiographer **RAD**
Radiation therapist technologist **RTT**

Recreation, Park and Leisure Studies

Council on Accreditation
National Recreation and Park Association/ American Association for Leisure and Recreation (NRPA/AALR)
22377 Belmont Ridge Road
Ashburn, VA 20148-4501
(703) 858-0784 Fax (703) 858-0794
James O'Connor, Accreditation Manager
E-mail: info@nrpa.org
URL: www.nrpa.org

Baccalaureate degree programs in recreation, park resources and leisure studies **NRPA**

Rehabilitation Education

Commission on Standards and Accreditation
Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE)
300 North Martingale Road, Suite 460
Schaumburg, IL 60173
(847) 944-1345 Fax (847) 944-1324
Marv Kuehn, Executive Director
E-mail: mkuehn@emporia.edu
URL: www.core-rehab.org

Rehabilitation counselor education programs at the master's level **CORE**

Respiratory Therapy

Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)
Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC)
1248 Harwood Road
Bedford, TX 76021-4244
(800) 874-5615 Fax (817) 354-8519
Richard T. Walker, Executive Director
E-mail: info@coarc.com
URL: www.coarc.com

Programs for:
Respiratory therapist **RSTH**
Respiratory therapist technician **RSTHT**

Social Work

Commission on Accreditation
Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
1725 Duke Street, Suite 500
Alexandria, VA 22314-3457
(703) 683-8080 Fax (703) 739-9048

Dean Pierce, Director, Office of Social Work Accreditation and Educational Excellence
E-mail: accred@cswe.org
URL: www.cswe.org

Master's and baccalaureate degree programs
SW

Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

Council on Academic Accreditation
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)
1967/2002/2007
10801 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852-3279
(301) 897-5700 Fax (301) 571-0457
Patrima L. Tice, Director Credentialing
E-mail: accreditation@asha.org
URL: www.asha.org

Master's and doctoral degree programs in:
Audiology **AUD**
Speech-language pathology **SP**

Surgical Technology

Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs (see listing under Allied Health)

Accreditation Review Committee for the Surgical Technologist (ARC-ST)

6 West Dry Creek Circle
Littleton, CO 80120
(303) 694-9130 Fax (303) 694-9169
Keith Orloff, Executive Director
E-mail: CoA@ast.org

Programs for the surgical technologist **SURGT**

Teacher Education

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)

1952/2006/2011
2010 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Suite 500
Washington, DC 20036-1023
(202) 466-7496 Fax (202) 296-6620
Arthur Wise, President
E-mail: ncate@ncate.org
URL: www.ncate.org

Baccalaureate and graduate programs for the preparation of teachers and other professional personnel for elementary and secondary schools **TED**

Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC)

2003/2005/2010
One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 320
Washington, DC 20036-1110
(202) 466-7236 Fax (202) 831-3013
Frank B. Murray, President
Email: teac@teac.org
URL: www.teac.org

Professional teacher education programs in institutions offering baccalaureate and graduate degrees for the preparation of K-12 teachers **TEAC**

Theatre

Commission on Accreditation National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST)

1982/2002/2007
11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21
Reston, VA 20190
(703) 437-0700 Fax (703) 437-6312
Samuel Hope, Executive Director
E-mail: info@arts-accredit.org
URL: www.arts-accredit.org

Institutions and units within institutions offering degree-granting and non-degree-granting programs in theatre and theatre-related disciplines **THEA**

Theology

Commission on Accreditation Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS)

1952/2004/2009
10 Summit Park Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15275-1103
(412) 788-6505 Fax (412) 788-6510
Daniel O. Aleshire, Executive Director
E-mail: ats@ats.edu
URL: www.ats.edu

Freestanding schools, as well as schools affiliated with larger institutions, offering graduate professional education for ministry and graduate study of theology **THEOL**

Trade and Technical Education

Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology (ACCST)

1967/2004/2009
2101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 302
Arlington, VA 22201
(703) 247-4212 Fax (703) 247-4533
Elise Scanlon, Executive Director
E-mail: info@accst.org
URL: www.accst.org

Private, postsecondary degree-granting and non-degree-granting institutions that are predominantly organized to educate students for trade, occupational or technical careers **ACCST**

Veterinary Medicine

Council on Education American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA)

1952/2006/2011
1931 North Meacham Road, Suite 100
Schaumburg, IL 60173
(800) 248-2862 Fax (847) 925-1329
Donald G. Simmons, Director Education and Research
E-mail: avmainfo@avma.org
URL: www.avma.org

Colleges of veterinary medicine offering programs leading to a D.V.M./D.M.V. professional degree **VET**

Other

New York State Board of Regents

1952/2002/2007
State Education Department
The University of the State of New York
Albany, NY 12224
(518) 474-5844 Fax (518) 473-4909
Richard Mills, Commissioner of Education
E-mail: rmills@mail.nysed.gov
URL: www.nysed.gov

Degree-granting institutions of higher education in New York that designate the agency as their sole or primary nationally recognized accrediting agency for purposes of establishing eligibility to participate in Higher Education Act programs **NY**

Accrediting Agencies and Associations Recognized for their Pre-accreditation Categories¹

Under the terms of the Higher Education Act and other Federal legislation providing funding assistance to postsecondary education, an institution or program is eligible to apply for participation in certain Federal programs if, in addition to meeting other statutory requirements, it is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association—or if it is an institution with respect to which the U.S. Secretary of Education has determined that there is satisfactory assurance the institution or program will meet the accreditation standards of such agency or association within a reasonable time. An institution or program may establish satisfactory assurance of accreditation by acquiring pre-accreditation status with a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association which has been recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education for the award of such status. According to the Criteria for Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies and Associations, if an accrediting agency or association has developed a pre-accreditation status, it must demonstrate that it applies criteria and follows procedures that are appropriately related to those used to award accreditation status.

The following is a list of accrediting agencies and associations recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education for their pre-accreditation categories and the categories which are recognized.

Regional Institution Accrediting Bodies

Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Higher Education: *Candidate for Accreditation*

New England Association of Schools and Colleges: *Candidate for Accreditation*

North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Institutions of Higher Education: *Candidate for Accreditation*

Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges
Commission on Colleges: *Candidate for Accreditation*

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges: *Candidate for Accreditation*

Western Association of Schools and Colleges
Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges: *Candidate for Accreditation*

Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities: *Candidate for Accreditation*

National, Professional and Specialized Accrediting Bodies

Accreditation Council for Pharmaceutical Education: *Candidate, Pre-candidate*

American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy,
Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education: *Candidate for Accreditation*

Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools: *Recognized Candidate for Accreditation*

American Academy for Liberal Education: *Candidate for Accreditation*

American College of Nurse-Midwives
Division of Accreditation: *Pre-accreditation*

American Optometric Association
Accreditation Council on Optometric Education: *Reasonable Assurance, Preliminary Approval* (for professional degree programs); *Candidacy Pending* (for optometric residency programs and optometric technician programs)

American Osteopathic Association
Bureau of Professional Education: *Provisional Accreditation*

American Physical Therapy Association
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education: *Candidate for Accreditation*

American Podiatric Medical Association
Council on Podiatric Medical Education: *Candidate for Accreditation*

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Council on Academic Accreditation: *Candidate for Accreditation*

American Veterinary Medical Association
Council on Education: *Reasonable Assurance of Accreditation*

Association for Biblical Higher Education
Commission on Accreditation: *Candidate for Accreditation*

Association of Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools
Accreditation Commission: *Correspondent, Candidate for Accreditation*

Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
Commission on Accrediting: *Candidate for Accredited Status*

Council on Education for Public Health: *Pre-accreditation*

Council on Occupational Education: *Candidate for Accreditation*

Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools
Accreditation Commission: *Candidate for Accreditation*

¹U.S. Department of Education, Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies and Associations, www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/accreditation.html.