

Common Higher Education Acronyms

ACCJC: Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (California, Hawaii, and American territories and protectorates in the Pacific Ocean)

ACS WASC: Accrediting Commission for Schools Western Association of Schools and Colleges

ACE: American Council on Education

APLU: Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities

ASPA: Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors

CAAHEP: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

CFR: Code of Federal Regulations

CHEA: Council for Higher Education Accreditation

CIP: Classification of Instructional Programs

C-RAC: Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions

CSG: Council of State Governments

DEAC: Distance Education Accrediting Commission

ED: U.S. Department of Education

EDEE: Exclusively Distance Education Enrollment

FRCS: Federal Financial Responsibility Composite Score

FTE: Full-time equivalent/full-time equivalent enrollment

HCM: Heightened Cash Monitoring

HEA: Higher Education Act

HLC: Higher Learning Commission

IPEDS: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System

MHEC: Midwestern Higher Education Compact

M-SARA: Midwestern Higher Education Compact State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

NACIQI: National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity

NACUA: National Association of College and University Attorneys

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NASASPS: National Association of State Administrators and Supervisors of Private Schools

NCHEMS: National Center for Higher Education Management Systems

NC-SARA: National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

NEASC: New England Association of Schools and Colleges

NEBHE: New England Board of Higher Education

NECHE: New England Commission of Higher Education

Neg Reg: Negotiated Rulemaking

NPRM: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

N-SARA: New England Board of Higher Education State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

NWCCU: Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

OIRA: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs

OMB: Office of Management and Budget

OOSLP: Out-of-State Learning placements

PPA: Program Participation Agreement

RSC: Regional Steering Committees

SACSCOC: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges

SAN: State Authorization Network, a division of WCET

SARA: State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

SHEEO: State Higher Education Executive Officers Association

SPE: State Portal Entity

SREB: Southern Regional Education Board

S-SARA: Southern Regional Education Board State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

UA: Unified State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement

WCET: WICHE Cooperative for Educational Technologies

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WICHE: Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education

W-SARA: Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

WSCUC: Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission