Introduction

The U.S. Department of Education has released amendments to the Higher Education Act of 1965 that may impact online, distance, and print-based education providers. §600.9(c) State authorization states:

If an institution is offering postsecondary education through distance or correspondence education to students in a State in which it is not physically located or in which it is otherwise subject to State jurisdiction as determined by the State, the institution must meet any State requirements for it to be legally offering postsecondary distance or correspondence education in that State. An institution must be able to document to the Secretary the State’s approval upon request.

Activities

Edinboro University is working with the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education and has developed a strategy for applying for the necessary authorizations in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories. Specific information on each state is listed below, and will be updated here as it becomes available.

Edinboro University is actively engaged in the following general activities to ensure compliance with the state authorization regulations:

- Tracking prospective and current students’ programs, online and off-campus classes, internships, student teaching, practicums, field placements, service learning activities, and state of residence.
- Monitoring marketing and recruiting efforts.
- Monitoring the state residence of faculty, staff, and administrators that support distance education.
- Working to achieve authorization for all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories.
- Staying abreast of federal and state regulations, policies, and practices related to the state authorization requirements.
Below is the status of Edinboro University's applications to obtain the necessary state authorizations from all US states and territories.

**Approved** (includes exempt & no authorization required based on current activities):

- Alaska
- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Florida
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Maine
- Massachusetts
- Mississippi
- Montana
- Nebraska
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New York
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah
- Vermont
- Virginia
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming

**Applied** (waiting to hear from the state):

- Maryland
- Louisiana

**Under Review** – (applications being prepared):

- Alabama
- Arkansas
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Georgia
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Missouri
- Nevada
- New Mexico
- North Carolina
- Oregon
- Washington

If you are interested in an online program at Edinboro University and your state is not listed, please contact StateAuth@edinboro.edu

**Additional Information by State**

**Texas**

Edinboro University is not regulated in Texas under Chapter 132 of the Texas Education Code; Please see the State Authorization and Complaint Webpage for information regarding accreditation and our complaint process.

http://www.edinboro.edu/academics/distance-education/complaint-process.html