

## **AUTHORIZED INSTITUTIONS\***

A.T. Still University  
American College of Healthcare Sciences  
Argosy University  
Babel University Professional School of Translation  
Brigham Young University  
Central Michigan University  
Central Texas College  
Chaminade University  
Columbia College  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical  
Georgetown University  
Hawaii Medical College  
Hawaii Pacific University  
Hawaii Tokai International  
Institute of Clinical Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine  
Maharishi University of Management  
National University  
Pacific University  
Pacific Rim Christian University  
Remington College  
Southeastern University  
University of Maryland University College  
University of Oklahoma  
University of Phoenix  
University of Southern California  
Wayland Baptist University

University of Hawaii System (authorized by State Constitution)

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# HPEAP

Hawaii Post-Secondary Education Authorization Program

*Your Guide to Federal and  
State Agency Resources*



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## **FEDERAL AGENCY RESOURCES**

### **U.S. Department of Education, College Navigator**

<http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>

Find out a school's profit or non-profit status, accreditation, default and graduation rates

### **U.S. Department of Education, College Affordability and Transparency Center**

<http://collegecost.ed.gov/>

### **U.S. Department of Education, Database of Accredited Postsecondary Institutions**

<http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx>

### **Council for Higher Accreditation**

<http://www.chea.org/>

### **Federal Student Aid**

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/>

Find out about federal student loans

### **Find out about possible loan discharges:**

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/closed-school>

### **For a complaint that cannot be resolved with a lender, notify the federal ombudsman:**

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/repay-loans/disputes/prepare>

### **Federal Trade Commission**

[www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0206-diploma-mills](http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0206-diploma-mills)

[www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0082-scholarship-and-financial-aid-scams](http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0082-scholarship-and-financial-aid-scams)

[www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0160-student-loans](http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0160-student-loans)

### **Consumer Financial Protection Bureau**

[www.consumerfinance.gov/paying-for-college/](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/paying-for-college/)

[www.consumerfinance.gov/complaint/#student-loan](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/complaint/#student-loan)

### **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs:**

<http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/>

<http://inquiry.vba.va.gov/weamspub/buildSearchInstitutionCriteria.do>

For questions regarding veteran's educational benefits, call an Education Case Manager at 1-888-442-4551.

### **Hawaii State Approving Agency for Veterans Training:**

<https://www.hawaii.edu/offices/studentaffairs/saavt.html>

Elizabeth Alexander, ELR (Acting SAA), (808) 433-0537 or [elizabeth.alexander1@va.gov](mailto:elizabeth.alexander1@va.gov)

**Also visit:** <http://veteranseducationsuccess.org/>

## **STATE AGENCY RESOURCES**

### **Hawaii Post-Secondary Education Authorization Program (HPEAP), DCCA**

The Hawaii Post-Secondary Education Authorization Program (HPEAP) operates within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 305J. HPEAP authorizes accredited, degree-granting institutions physically present in Hawaii. Purely online institutions are not required to be authorized, but they may choose to apply for authorization.

Contact: (808) 586-7327 or [hpeap@dcca.hawaii.gov](mailto:hpeap@dcca.hawaii.gov)  
[cca.hawaii.gov/hpeap](http://cca.hawaii.gov/hpeap)

### **Office of Consumer Protection (OCP), DCCA**

Information on Unaccredited Degree-Granting Institutions

Contact: (808) 586-2630 or [ocp@dcca.hawaii.gov](mailto:ocp@dcca.hawaii.gov)  
[cca.hawaii.gov/ocp/udgi/](http://cca.hawaii.gov/ocp/udgi/)

### **Board of Barbering & Cosmetology, DCCA**

Licenses beauty schools

Contact: (808) 586-2696 or [barber\\_cosm@dcca.hawaii.gov](mailto:barber_cosm@dcca.hawaii.gov)

### **Real Estate Commission, DCCA**

Pre-license real estate school regulation in Hawaii

[cca.hawaii.gov/reb/](http://cca.hawaii.gov/reb/)

### **Board of Nursing, DCCA**

Hawaii nursing program information

[cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/nursing/](http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/nursing/)

### **State of Hawaii Department of Education**

Licenses vocational schools (including massage schools)

Contact: (808) 305-9759 or [hilary\\_apanamckee@hawaiiidoe.org](mailto:hilary_apanamckee@hawaiiidoe.org)

[www.hawaiipublicschools.org/TeachingAndLearning/AdultEducation/Pages/Licensing-a-vocational-school.aspx](http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/TeachingAndLearning/AdultEducation/Pages/Licensing-a-vocational-school.aspx)

### **Hawaii State Teacher Standards Board**

Information on teacher preparation programs in Hawaii

[www.htsb.org/licensing-permits/preparation-programs/](http://www.htsb.org/licensing-permits/preparation-programs/)

### **State Postsecondary Education Commission (SPEC)**

The State Postsecondary Education Commission (SPEC) is administratively managed by the UH System Office of Student Affairs and was established to provide a framework that preserves Hawaii's eligibility to receive and disburse student aid funding under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. The programs administratively attached to SPEC include student programs administered by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE).

[www.hawaii.edu/offices/studentaffairs/spec.html](http://www.hawaii.edu/offices/studentaffairs/spec.html)