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AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

2021 INSTITUTIONAL CERTIFICATION

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

ICAC Oversight

- The Institutional Certification Advisory Committee is mandated by Arkansas law and is appointed by the Director of ADHE
- ICAC has oversight of out-of-state postsecondary institutions and for-profit institutions
- Institutions exempt from ICAC oversight:
 - Institutions offering only church-related training
 - Institutions on military bases
 - Institutions in regional and national reciprocity agreements

Institutions Certified under ICAC Rules

2020-21: 40 Institutions

13 Arkansas Campuses

27 institutions with programs delivered only through distance technology

9 institutions offering programs both on Arkansas campuses and delivered through distance technology

2 institutions offering programs only on an Arkansas campus

Degrees Offered

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

Type of Degree	Number of degrees offered
Undergraduate	253
Graduate	287
Total	540

Student Enrollment and Graduates

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

- Total Enrollment – 6,711
- Online enrollment – 2,826
- Arkansas campus enrollment – 3,885
- Total Graduates – 1,609

Graduates by Degree

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

Type of Degree	Number of Graduates by Degree Type
Certificates	307
Associate of Applied Science Degrees	412
Associate of Arts/Science Degrees	201
Bachelor's Degrees	90
Master's Degrees	329
Doctoral Degrees	270
Total	1,609

Tuition Rates

- Out-of-state and/or private institutions have varying tuition rates

Highest: Pepperdine University \$1,866 per credit hour

Lowest: Rasmussen University \$274 per credit hour

- Highest in-state tuition per credit hour rate at an Arkansas public institution is \$803
- Lowest in-state tuition per credit hour rate at an Arkansas public institution is \$82

Institutions Exempt from Certification

- 31 institutions offering only church-related training (at Arkansas institutions and online from other states)
- 3 institutions offering programs on military installations
The majority (51% of total annual enrollment) of students enrolled at the institution located on the military installation must be active or retired military personnel and/or their dependents
- Out-of-state institutions approved by state higher education agencies to offer degrees by distance technology through a recognized regional or national education compact such as the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) or the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement

State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARA)

- ADHE must approve Arkansas colleges and universities offering distance technology programs for SARA participation based on institutional accreditation, financial stability, and student complaint resolution policy and procedures.
- SARA participation is optional for Arkansas institutions.
- Applications from out-of-state institutions have decreased as more states and institutions have joined SARA.
- Every state, Puerto Rico, D.C., and the Virgin Islands has joined SARA except California.
- 38 Arkansas institutions are in SARA; over 2,300 institutions nationwide have joined.