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ICAC Oversight

- The Institutional Certification Advisory Committee is mandated by Arkansas law and is appointed by the Commissioner of ADHE
- ICAC has oversight of out-of-state postsecondary institutions that are not in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARA) and Arkansas private institutions
- Institutions exempt from ICAC oversight:
 - Church-related training
 - Institutions on military bases
 - Institutions in regional and national reciprocity agreements (like SARA)

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 to ADHE 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.
- 39 Arkansas institutions are in SARA; over 2,400 institutions nationwide have joined.
- For more information and data on Arkansas enrollments, go to: nc-sara.org/

Out-of-State and Arkansas Private Institutions

2023-24: 42 Institutions

9 Arkansas Campuses

33 Institutions with programs delivered only through distance technology to Arkansas students

5 Institutions offering programs both on Arkansas campuses and delivered through distance technology

3 Institutions offering programs only on an Arkansas campus

Degrees Offered

July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Type of Degree	Number of degrees offered
Undergraduate	285
Graduate	533
Total	818

106 more programs were certified last year and made available for students to enroll.

Student Enrollment and Graduates

July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

- Total Enrollment – 3,811
(641 more than last year)
- Total Graduates – 1,341
(165 more than last year)

Graduates by Degree

July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Type of Degree	Number of Graduates by Degree Type
Certificates	342
Associate of Applied Science Degrees	359
Associate of Arts/Science Degrees	17
Bachelor's Degrees	140
Master's Degrees	328
Doctoral Degrees	155
Total	1,341

Institutions Exempt from Certification

- 30 institutions offering only church-related training (at Arkansas institutions, seminaries, and churches, 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 SARA