

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZED ACCREDITING INSTITUTIONS

Degrees from United States Institutions

“Accredited” institutions are those institutions accredited by a recognized agency. The City of Los Angeles accepts degrees from institutions that are accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) or Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The first link below can be used to access charts listing the USDE and CHEA accrediting agencies recognized by the City of Los Angeles.

USDE and CHEA Recognition Status as of December 2021:

<https://www.chea.org/chea-and-usde-recognized-accrediting-organizations>

To search for a specific institution, links are provided below to the USDE and CHEA databases. If a school is listed in either database, it is recognized by the City of Los Angeles as being accredited by the respective accrediting agency.

United States Department of Education (USDE) Institution Database:

<https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/#/home>

Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) Institution Database:

<https://www.chea.org/search-institutions>

Degrees from International Institutions

Publications generated by the International Association of Universities (IAU) are credible references for determining whether an international degree is accredited. The link below can be used to access the IAU database of international schools. Once accessed, individuals may use an interactive world map to select a country of interest or scroll down for a list of accredited institutions organized by country.

<https://www.iau-aiu.net/List-of-IAU-Members?lang=en>

If appropriate, degrees that have been evaluated and deemed equivalent to degrees from United States recognized institutions by an academic credential evaluation agency may also be acceptable. Recognized credential evaluation agencies are listed with the following organizations:

The National Association of Credential Evaluation Services:

<http://www.naces.org>

Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc:

<http://www.aice-eval.org>

Please note that, in accordance with California Government Code 1031, Regulation 9053 (e)(5) (A), equivalent degrees do not meet the education requirements for entry level law enforcement positions.

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