NC-SARA Out-of-State Students & NC-SARA



Central Alabama Community College (CACC) is approved by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) to participate in the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (NCSARA). NC-SARA is a voluntary, regional approach to state oversight of postsecondary distance education. By streamlining regulations around distance education programs, NC-SARA's policies help protect students and provide benefits to both states and institutions carrying out distance education in multiple states.

California is the only state not currently participating in NC-SARA. CACC does not fall under the governance of the California Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education, so approval for CACC to offer online programs for residents of California is not required. CACC complies with California regulations concerning postsecondary distance education. Since California is not an NC-SARA member, students can direct complaints to the <u>California Department of Consumer Affairs</u>.

Under the purview of NC-SARA, out-of-state student complaints must first go through CACC's procedures as outlined in the <u>Catalog</u> and the <u>Student Handbook</u>. If institutional procedures do not result in a satisfactory conclusion, the student may proceed to the State Portal Entity to complete a <u>written complaint</u>. A list of <u>NC-SARA State Portal Entity Contacts</u> is available through the NC-SARA webpage.

.In the event of institutional closure, Central Alabama Community College will observe the procedures stated in the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) document entitled, "Closing a Program, Site, Branch or Institution". Information for students and potential students about obtaining records from closed institutions can be found on the websites of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) and SACSCOC.

Disaster Recovery Plan Backup Procedures

Central Alabama Community College has a current disaster recovery plan and backup procedures on file. Please direct all inquiries concerning this to Jerri Carroll, Dean of Students, at jcarroll@cacc.edu.

Professional Licensure Resources for Students Not Located in Alabama

The following educational programs meet educational requirements for specific professional licenses or certifications that are required for employment in certain occupations in the State of Alabama. For each of these programs, the College has not determined if program completion is sufficient to meet the licensure requirements for employment in particular occupations in states other than Alabama, and the College has not determined if the program curriculum meets the educational requirements for licensure or certification in states other than Alabama. Students located in states other than Alabama are encouraged to use the following resources to determine the professional licensure or certification requirements of the state(s) where they intend to pursue employment in an occupation related to a listed program.

Nursing

Information regarding the requirements for nursing licensure in each state can be found at the following website: https://nurse.org/articles/guide-to-registered-nurse-licensure-by-state/

Uniform licensure requirements for every state in the U.S. is provided by the NCSBN at the following website: https://www.ncsbn.org/12 ULR table adopted.pdf. All students who successfully complete a CACC nursing program, practical nursing, and/or associate degree in nursing, are eligible to sit for the respective NCSBN licensure exam. Students may apply for licensure at any state of choice at the completion of their nursing program at CACC, but may only apply to one state for initial licensure. The NCSBN licensure exam is the same exam whether taken in Alabama or Alaska; the state for which the exam is taken does not matter. Once licensed, graduates may apply for additional licensure at any state in the U.S.

Nursing Program Degrees and Certificates Professional Licensure/Certification Disclosures						
Does this program meet the certificate or licensure requirements in this state?						
State	Yes	Not Yet Determined	Not yet determined but	No	Date	
			program meets national		Updated	
			standard and/or AL licensure			
			may offer reciprocity			
Alabama	Χ				2/1/22	
Alaska		X			2/1/22	
Arizona		X			2/1/22	
Arkansas		X			2/1/22	
California		X			2/1/22	
Colorado		X			2/1/22	
Connecticut		X			2/1/22	
Delaware		Х			2/1/22	
Florida		Х			2/1/22	
Georgia		Х			2/1/22	
Hawaii		Х			2/1/22	
Idaho		Х			2/1/22	
Illinois		Х			2/1/22	
Indiana		Х			2/1/22	
Iowa		Х			2/1/22	
Kansas		Х			2/1/22	
Kentucky		Х			2/1/22	
Louisiana		Х			2/1/22	
Maine		Х			2/1/22	
Maryland		Х			2/1/22	
Massachusetts		Х			2/1/22	
Michigan		Х			2/1/22	
Minnesota		Х			2/1/22	
Mississippi		Х			2/1/22	
Missouri		Х			2/1/22	
Montana		Х			2/1/22	
Nebraska		Х			2/1/22	
Nevada		Х			2/1/22	
New Hampshire		Х			2/1/22	
New Jersey		Х			2/1/22	
New Mexico		Х			2/1/22	
New York		Х			2/1/22	
North Carolina		Х			2/1/22	
North Dakota		Х			2/1/22	
Ohio		Х			2/1/22	
Oklahoma		Х			2/1/22	
Oregon		Х			2/1/22	
Pennsylvania		Х			2/1/22	
Rhode Island		Х			2/1/22	

South Carolina	X	2/1/22
South Dakota	X	2/1/22
Tennessee	X	2/1/22
Texas	X	2/1/22
Utah	X	2/1/22
Vermont	X	2/1/22
Virginia	X	2/1/22
Washington	X	2/1/22
West Virginia	X	2/1/22
Wisconsin	X	2/1/22
Wyoming	X	2/1/22
D.C.	X	2/1/22