

COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

FACT SHEET #7

NONPROFIT AND FOR-PROFIT HIGHER EDUCATION AND ACCREDITATION

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*(Revised. Data provided to CHEA by accrediting organizations for accrediting activity during 2008-09.
Includes both Title IV and Non-Title IV Institutions.)*

Accrediting Organizations

Fifteen of the **19** recognized institutional accreditors review both nonprofit and for-profit institutions: **eight** regional accreditors and **seven** national career-related accreditors.*

Regional organizations accredited 3,040 institutions in 2008-09

- **2,935** nonprofit institutions, **2,932** degree-granting and **3** non-degree-granting.
- **105** for-profit institutions, **102** degree-granting and **3** non-degree-granting.

National career-related organizations accredited 3,933 institutions in 2008-09

- **378** nonprofit institutions, **181** degree-granting and **197** non-degree-granting. **210** institutions are public.
- **3,555** for-profit institutions, **1,000** degree-granting and **2,555** non-degree granting.

Fourteen Major For-Profit Higher Education Corporations

(Arrayed by category and enrollment. Includes 844 locations as identified on corporate Websites.)

Accredited by Both Regional and National Organizations (varies among 738 locations identified)

1. Apollo Group
2. Education Management Corporation
3. Career Education Corporation
4. Corinthian Colleges
5. DeVry
6. Kaplan, Inc.
7. ITT Educational Services
8. Laureate
9. Lincoln Educational Services
10. American Public Education

Accredited by Regional Organizations (106 locations identified)

1. Strayer Education
2. Bridgepoint Education
3. Capella Education
4. Grand Canyon Education

INSTITUTIONAL TOTALS

Accredited Institutions: 6,973

Regional Accreditation:	3,040	Degree-granting:	4,215	For-profit:	3,660
National Career-related Accreditation:	3,933	Non-degree-granting:	2,758	Nonprofit:	3,313

**Does not include the four recognized national faith-related accreditors; one organization accredits two for-profit institutions.*