

COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

RECOGNITION DECISION SUMMARY

COUNCIL FOR INTERIOR DESIGN ACCREDITATION (CIDA)

In accordance with the [2010 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures, Paragraph 43](#), this summary of recognition status describes the formal action taken by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) Board of Directors with regard to an accrediting organization seeking recognition by CHEA.

Profile of Accrediting Organization

Type of Accrerator: Programmatic

Number of Programs: 180

Current CHEA-Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Professional-level interior design programs that culminate in a bachelor's or master's degree located in the United States or internationally. (2013)

CHEA Recognition Information

History: Recognized by CHEA in April 2002

Most Recent Recognition Action

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, September 24, 2013

Decision: Recognition for up to 10 years

The CHEA Committee on Recognition and the Board of Directors reviewed the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA). The review was based on the six CHEA recognition standards that require an accrediting organization to show that its accreditation process advances academic quality, demonstrates accountability, encourages self-scrutiny and planning, employs fair and appropriate procedures and demonstrates ongoing review of practice, and that it possesses sufficient resources to carry out its accreditation processes (*2010 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures*, Paragraphs 12A-12F, pp. 5-8).

CIDA demonstrated that it meets these standards and that its accreditation process is consistent with the quality improvement and accountability expectations that CHEA has established.

Additional Determination: CIDA is required to provide two reports that document the implementation of accreditation standards or policies that require programs routinely to provide reliable information to the public on their performance, including student achievement as determined by the institution or program (Paragraph 12B.1, *2010 CHEA Policy and Procedures*).

The CHEA recognition policy requires that an accrediting organization undergo a recognition review at least every 10 years and submit two interim reports.

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