In accordance with the 2019 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures, Paragraph 39, this summary describes the formal status of an accrediting organization in relation to recognition by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

Profile of Accrediting Organization

Type of Accréditor: Programmatic

Number of Programs: 110

Current CHEA-Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Programs in regionally and nationally accredited institutions within the United States and internationally that provide professional education in journalism and mass communications at the baccalaureate and master’s degree level (only profession-focused master’s level programs). (2011)

CHEA Recognition Information

History: Recognized by CHEA in April 2002

Most Recent Recognition Action

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, January 27, 2014

Decision: Recognition for up to 10 years with a report due October 1, 2014

The CHEA Committee on Recognition and the Board of Directors reviewed the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC). 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).

ACEJMC 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: ACEJMC is required to provide a report on full implementation of accreditation standards or policies that require institutions or programs routinely to provide reliable information to the public on their performance, including student achievement as determined by the institution or program (Paragraph 12 (B)(1), 2010 CHEA Policy and Procedures).

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

Profile, scope and recognition information as of March 27, 2014