In accordance with the 2021 CHEA Standards and Procedures for Recognition, Procedures-B.11, this summary provides the reason(s) for the recognition decision by the CHEA Board of Directors.

Profile of Accrediting Organization

Type of Accreditor: Institutional

Number of Institutions: 88

Current CHEA-Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Accreditation and preaccreditation of Christian postsecondary institutions in the United States, U.S. territories, and other locations determined by the Accrediting Commission that offer certificates, diplomas, and associate, baccalaureate, and graduate degrees, including institutions that offer Distance Education. (2017)

CHEA Recognition Information

History: Initial recognition May 2001
Continuing recognition for up to 10 years, September 2011

Most Recent Recognition Action

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, October 4, 2021
Decision: CHEA Board of Directors awards continuing CHEA-recognition for a term of seven-years with an Interim Report due at the midpoint of the recognition term (June 1, 2025).

Previous Recognition Actions

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, September 19–20, 2011
Decision: Recognition for up to 10 years

The CHEA Committee on Recognition and the Board of Directors reviewed the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) Accreditation Commission. 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 (2006 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures, Paragraphs 12A-12F, pp. 5-8).

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

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