COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

RECOGNITION DECISION SUMMARY

COUNCIL FOR INTERIOR DESIGN ACCREDITATION
(CIDA)

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 Accréditor: Programmatic
Number of Programs: 174

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: Initial recognition by CHEA in April 2002
Recognition for up to 10 years, September 2013

Most Recent Recognition Action

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, May 1, 2023
Decision: The CHEA Board of Directors awarded continuing recognition for a term of seven years with a Follow-up Report due March 1, 2024 and an Interim Report due at the midpoint of the recognition term (October 1, 2026). The Follow-up Report is to address Standard 2.B. which requires the accrediting organization to implement and uphold standards, policies or procedures that require accredited institutions and programs to provide current, readily accessible, accurate data to the public regarding student learning outcomes and/or achievement data.

Summary of Prior Recognition Decisions

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, September 24, 2013: The CHEA Board of Directors awarded recognition for the maximum term of 10 years. The CHEA recognition policy requires that an accrediting organization undergo a recognition review at least every 10 years and submit two interim reports.

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).

Profile, scope and recognition information as of May 2023