

COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

RECOGNITION DECISION SUMMARY

AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR CONSTRUCTION EDUCATION (ACCE)

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: Programmatic

Number of Programs: 90

Current CHEA-Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Master's, baccalaureate and associate degree programs in construction, construction science, construction management, construction technology and other construction-related studies and single-purpose institutions that offer associate degree programs in construction-related occupational education. Accredited degree programs and single-purpose institutions may be located anywhere in the United States of America or at any international location. (2023)

CHEA Recognition Information

History: Initial recognition January 2001
Continuing recognition January 2011
Defer action on Recognition for one year, October 2021

Most Recent Recognition Action

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, October 3, 2022

Decision: The CHEA Board of Directors awarded continuing CHEA-recognition for a term of seven years with an Interim Report due at the midpoint of the recognition term (April 1, 2026).

Prior Actions on ACCE's Application for Recognition

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, October 4, 2021: Defer action on Recognition for one year, based on recommendation of the Committee on Recognition. ACCE is to submit a response addressing CHEA Standards 11.A.1./12.D.3. (reasons for accreditation decisions on website and in directory of accredited programs), 11.A.3.(timely action for underperforming programs), 11.B.1.(timely, accessible, current and consistent aggregate performance and student achievement data), 12.E. (requirement for all standards to be met), and 12.H. (organizational resource capacity).

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting September 25-26, 2017: The CHEA Board of Directors approved the request change in scope of accreditation.

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting January 24, 2011: The CHEA Board of Directors accepted the CHEA Committee on Recognition's recommendation to grant the American Council for Construction Education (ACCE) recognition for up to 10 years and approval of a change in the CHEA-recognized scope of accreditation), including a report in one year.

The CHEA Committee on Recognition and the Board of Directors reviewed the ACCE for recognition. 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, 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.)

ACCE 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

ACCE is required to provide a report on the implementation of accreditation standards or policies that call for 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), *2006 CHEA Recognition Policies and Procedures*).

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

Scope information as of October 10, 2017. Profile updated June 26, 2020. Recognition information as of October 3, 2022