



State Authorization Disclosures

United States Department of Education (34 CFR § 668.43)

State Authorization Information

Aspen University is accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC). DEAC's State Authorization Form for Distance Education provides information on an institution's status to deliver distance education programs and courses within each state where students are enrolled. In some cases, individual states have provided additional authorizations to operate as noted.

The information contained in this disclosure pertains to the following programs:

- Certificate in Project Management: <https://www.aspen.edu/business-technology/project-management-certificate/>
- Certificate in eLearning Pedagogy: <https://www.aspen.edu/education/elearning-certificate/>
- Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Studies: <https://www.aspen.edu/education/associates-early-childhood-studies/>
- Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies: <https://www.aspen.edu/education/bachelors-early-childhood-studies/>
- Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies (Completion): <https://www.aspen.edu/education/bachelors-early-childhood-studies-completion/>
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-licensure): <https://www.aspen.edu/nursing/bsn/>
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Completion): <https://www.aspen.edu/nursing/rn-bsn/>
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration: <https://www.aspen.edu/business-technology/bachelors-business-administration/>
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Completion): <https://www.aspen.edu/business-technology/bachelors-business-administration-completion/>
- Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration: <https://www.aspen.edu/health-sciences/bachelors-health-care-administration/>
- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Studies: <https://www.aspen.edu/health-sciences/bachelors-psychology-addiction-studies/>
- Master of Education: <https://www.aspen.edu/education/masters-education/>
- Master of Science in Nursing: <https://www.aspen.edu/nursing/msn/>
- Registered Nurse to Master of Science in Nursing: <https://www.aspen.edu/nursing/rn-msn/>
- Master of Business Administration: <https://www.aspen.edu/business-technology/mba/>
- Master of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Studies: <https://www.aspen.edu/health-sciences/masters-psychology-addiction-studies/>
- Master of Science in Technology and Innovation: <https://www.aspen.edu/business-technology/masters-technology-innovation/>
- Education Specialist in Leadership and Learning: <https://www.aspen.edu/education/education-specialist-leadership-and-learning-program-organizational-leadership/>, <https://www.aspen.edu/education/education-specialist-leadership-and-learning-program-health-care-administration/>, <https://www.aspen.edu/education/education-specialist-leadership-and-learning-program-organizational-psychology/>, <https://www.aspen.edu/education/education-specialist-leadership-and-learning-program-higher-education-leadership/>
- Doctor of Science in Computer Science: <https://www.aspen.edu/business-technology/doctoral-computer-science/>
- Doctor of Education in Leadership and Learning: <https://www.aspen.edu/education/edd-health-care/>; <https://www.aspen.edu/education/edd-higher-education-leadership/>; <https://www.aspen.edu/education/edd-k12-education-leadership/>; <https://www.aspen.edu/education/edd-organizational-leadership/>; <https://www.aspen.edu/education/edd-organizational-psychology/>
- Doctor of Nursing Practice: <https://www.aspen.edu/nursing/dnp/>

State	Status	Notes or Explanations
Alabama	Application Filed	Application submitted and not currently authorized. However, the institution can enroll for all programs, with the exception of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-Licensure) ("BSNPL")* program, while the state authorization application is in process. Currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program.
Alaska	Exempt	All programs are exempt from authorization with the exception of the BSNPL program which is not approved. The institution is exempt from authorization provisions of AS 14.48 per regulation 20 AAC 17.015(a)(8).
Arizona	Licensed	AZPPSE granted a regular accredited vocational and degree program license for Aspen programs. Aspen is not accepting BSNPL students in Arizona at this time.

Arkansas	Letter of Intent Filed	Currently not accepting any new students who reside in the state of Arkansas. Currently enrolled students are authorized to continue their program while the state authorization application is under review.
California	Registered	Letter of Registration from BPPE indicating that the institution has met the qualifications for registration under the Act, pursuant to California Education Code (CEC) section 94801.5. All programs are registered.
Colorado	Licensed (administrative / place of business only)	Licensed for an administrative office/place of business only. 100% fully online distance education programs are approved, pursuant to current regulations that permit limited field placements.
Connecticut	Approved	All programs are approved. State of Connecticut Office of Higher Education approved the institution to offer online courses/programs to Connecticut residents.
Delaware	Application in Process	Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Delaware. Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is in process.
District of Columbia		Currently not accepting students who reside in the District of Columbia.
Florida	Licensure not Required Licensed for BSNPL	Online programs with the exception of the BSNPL (see below) do not trigger physical presence and therefore are not required to be licensed by the Florida Commission for Independent Education. Annual License granted for the Florida location by Florida Dept of Education, Commission for Independent Education. Aspen is not accepting BSNPL students in Florida at this time.
Georgia	Authorized Application Filed	Certificate of Authorization on file for the BSNPL* program only. No other programs are authorized for new enrollments. Aspen is not accepting BSNPL students in Georgia at this time. Currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is under review. Aspen is temporarily approved to accept new students in all programs through the application review process.
Hawaii	Exempt	If an institution is accredited by a nationally approved accredited agency, it is exempt from licensure. Aspen satisfies the exemption requirement.
Idaho	Exempt	All programs are exempt from registration under Idaho Administrative Code 08.01.11 Subsection 200.04.
Illinois	Limited Physical Presence Exemption	Can enroll for all fully online programs. Aspen meets the description of an institution with Limited Physical Presence and the Illinois Board of Higher Education grants continuous approval unless certain conditions change.
Indiana	Approved	All programs are approved. Aspen has been granted status as an out-of-state institution with no physical presence in Indiana in accordance with Indiana Administrative Code IC 21-18.5-6-12.
Iowa	Application Filed	Currently not accepting any new students who reside in the state of Iowa. Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is under review.
Kansas	Application Filed	Currently not accepting any new students who reside in the state of Kansas. Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is under review.
Kentucky	Limited Exemption	Can enroll for all programs EXCEPT the MSN, RN-MSN, RN-BSN, DNP per Kentucky Regulation 13 KAR 1:020 Section 1(9)(a)-(e). Confirmed currently enrolled students in all programs are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is under review for the MSN, RN-MSN, RN-BSN, DNP programs.
Louisiana	Application	Currently not accepting any new students who reside in the state of Louisiana. Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while

	Filed	the state authorization application is under review.
Maine	Authorized	Can enroll for all online programs. Aspen has state authority for an online presence in the State of Maine.
Maryland		Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Maryland.
Massachusetts	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all online programs. Aspen does not trigger one of the four activities that would trigger a physical presence in Massachusetts. The Board's definition of physical presence does not include 100% distance education or experiential learning activities within the Commonwealth.
Michigan	Certificate of Authorization	Can enroll for all online programs. Aspen has complied with the Michigan Higher Education Authorization and Distance Education Reciprocal Exchange Act, Act 45 of 2015.
Minnesota		Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Minnesota.
Mississippi	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all online programs. Mississippi does not regulate academic degree-granting institutions that are not domiciled, incorporated, or otherwise located in Mississippi. BSNPL program is not approved.
Missouri	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all online programs. Aspen does not meet or conduct activities that trigger physical presence in Missouri.
Montana	Authorized	Can enroll for all programs, except BSN (Pre-licensure). Aspen satisfies the requirements of Montana Code 20-25-107 and Board of Regents Policy 221, which regulate the award of post-secondary degrees by educational institutions in the State of Montana.
Nebraska	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs, with the exception of the BSNPL* program. The institution's activities do not fall under the provisions of Nebraska Title 281, Chapter 7, Rules and Regulations for the Postsecondary Institution Act.
Nevada		Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Nevada.
New Hampshire	Exempt	Can enroll for all programs with the exception of the BSNPL* program. Aspen University is excluded from the jurisdiction of the New Hampshire Higher Education Commission.
New Jersey	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs with the exception of the BSNPL* program under Title 9A Higher Education New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education Licensure Rules, 9A:1-7.5. Out-of-State institutions that wish to offer NJ residents distance learning programs with no physical presence in NJ are not required to seek licensure from the Secretary.
New Mexico	Authorized	All programs are approved except the BSNPL* program.
New York	Application Filed	Currently not accepting any new students who reside in the state of New York. Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is under review.
North Carolina	Application in Process	Currently not accepting new students who reside in the state of North Carolina. Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is in process.
North Dakota	Authorized	Authorized to operate in North Dakota and enroll for all programs with the exception of the BSNPL* program.
Ohio	Authorized	All programs are approved. Authorization is required for only those online programs that contain components such as internships, externships, practicum, clinical placements, field placements, student teaching, etc. that will be completed in the state of Ohio. Chancellor's staff has determined that Aspen University meets the Chancellor's standards for offering such experiences in the state.
Oklahoma	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs with the exception of the BSNPL* program. Out-of-state institutions do not require Oklahoma authorization to offer online-only degree-related distance education in Oklahoma.

Oregon		Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Oregon. Confirmed currently enrolled students in all programs are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is under review.
Pennsylvania	Registered	All online programs are approved. The institution is registered as an out-of-state distance education provider to enroll residents of Pennsylvania. The BSNPL* program is not approved.
Rhode Island		Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Rhode Island.
South Carolina	Exempt	All programs are exempt except the BSNPL* program and Aspen is not accepting applications for students in this program. South Carolina Commission on Higher Education does not have jurisdiction where institutions enroll SC residents into fully online courses or programs.
South Dakota	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs with the exception of the BSNPL* program. South Dakota only authorizes institutions that have a physical location in the state.
Tennessee	Authorized Limited Exemption Application Filed	Optional Expedited Authorization granted for the BSNPL* program at the TN campus only. Aspen is not accepting BSNPL students in Tennessee at this time. All other programs are authorized EXCEPT the MSN, RN-MSN, RN-BSN, DNP. Currently enrolled TN students in the MSN, RN-MSN, RN-BSN, DNP programs may continue their program per TN 2022 Tennessee Publication Chapter Number 1044 Provision 49-7-2008, Section 16,(g)(2) while the application is under review.
Texas	Authorized Approved	Licensed for the BSNPL* program at the TX campus only. Aspen is not accepting BSNPL students in Texas at this time. All other online programs are approved EXCEPT the MSN, RN-MSN, RN-BSN, DNP The school is not regulated by the TWC pursuant to Chapter 132 of the Texas Education Code.
Utah	Registered	Received Certificate of Postsecondary State Authorization for all programs, verifying that Aspen University has met the requirements of Utah Code Ann. §13-34a-204 to be a registered postsecondary school.
Vermont	Authorization not Required	Programs of education offered solely online are exempt from registering with the state. The BSNPL* program is not approved.
Virginia	Approved	Can enroll in all online programs. SCHEV determined that the institution meets all requirements for distance education certification as stated in section §23.1-219(f) of the Code of Virginia.
Washington	Limited Exemption and Application on File	All online programs are exempt EXCEPT the MSN, RN-MSN, RN-BSN, DNP as their practicum or immersion requirements are considered operation in the state. Currently enrolled students in all programs are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is in process. Not accepting applications from new students.
West Virginia	Approved	Approved to offer online educational programs to West Virginia residents.
Wisconsin	Application in Process	Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program while the state authorization application is in process.
Wyoming	Approved	Approved to offer online educational services to Wyoming students.

Countries and Territories

Aspen University may not be able to accept online students receiving their education from certain international countries or US territories. The chart below is not exhaustive and only reflects those which Aspen has researched or contacted. In addition, while degrees conferred by Aspen University are recognized in the United States, they may not be recognized in other countries. International students are encouraged to research the policies pertaining to degree and licensure recognition in their home country or territory prior to enrolling in Aspen's education programs.

American Samoa	Currently not Authorized	
Australia	Authorization not Required	The Australian Government TEQSA does not regulate Transnational Higher Education (TNE) into Australia for institutions that enroll Australian students into online courses that are wholly or mainly (50%) or more originating from overseas locations.
Federated States of Micronesia	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs other than Nursing programs.
Guam	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs other than Nursing programs.
India	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs other than Nursing programs. Letter on file stating no formal approval process for educational programs.
Puerto Rico	Currently not Authorized	
Virgin Islands	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs other than Nursing programs. There is no formal approval process for educational programs.
Northern Mariana Islands	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs other than Nursing programs.

State Relocation Notice

Students who relocate while enrolled in a degree program may be unable to complete their studies if they are moving to a country or state where the University is not currently authorized to offer that particular program. Students should contact their Academic Advisor if they are considering relocating during their course of study.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-Licensure) Notices

*Aspen's Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-Licensure) program is the only program offered by Aspen that has the potential to allow graduates to apply for professional licensure in the following states: Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Texas and Tennessee. Upon completion of their studies in this program, students are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) in the state in which they choose to practice (the NCLEX is the national registered nurse examination used by all states for potential registered nursing licensure) and submit an application for licensure. Students provide their state board of nursing applicable forms to the School of Nursing and Health Sciences, which completes them on behalf of the individual student, and take the exam in the state in which they choose to practice. Upon passing the NCLEX, students then work with their state Board of Nursing to secure their professional licensure, including requirements beyond educational background and NCLEX passage.

Aspen is not enrolling new students in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-licensure) program.

Licensure/Certification Disclosures

Institutions are required to disclose the extent to which each of its programs lead to professional licensure or certification in each state where such licensure is required for employment in an occupation (34 CFR § 668.43(a)(5)(v)). The curriculum either meets state educational requirements for licensure or certification, does not meet state education requirements licensure or certification, or the institution has not made such a determination.

- Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Studies
 - Does not meet state educational requirements for licensure or certification in any of the 50 states or District of Columbia.
- Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies
 - Does not meet state educational requirements for licensure or certification in any of the 50 states or District of Columbia.
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-licensure)*
 - Meets state educational requirements to apply for RN licensure in Arizona, Texas, Florida, Tennessee, and Georgia.
- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Studies
 - Does not meet state educational requirements for licensure or certification in any of the 50 states or District of Columbia.
- Master of Education
 - Does not meet state educational requirements for licensure or certification in any of the 50 states or District of Columbia.
- Master of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Studies
 - Does not meet state educational requirements for licensure or certification in any of the 50 states or District of Columbia.

Many of Aspen's programs are not in fields where professional state licensure or certification are required for employment or are
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advanced degree programs where licensure is required for admission into the program. The following programs do not require additional licensure following graduation to work in the field:

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN Completion)
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration
- Master of Science in Nursing
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Technology and Innovation
- Education Specialist
- Doctor of Science in Computer Science
- Doctor of Education in Leadership and Learning
- Doctor of Nursing Practice

Enrollment Demographics Disclosures

For CY2021, Aspen provides the following required enrollment demographic data (34 CFR §668.43(a)(13)). Although the regulation requires information for full-time students only, these percentages represent our entire student body.

Pell Grant Recipients
55%

AU Gender	
Gender	Percent of Learners
Female	85.9%
Male	14.1%
Unknown	0.0%

AU Self-Identified Ethnicity	
Self-identified Ethnicity	Percent of Learners
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.8%
Asian	5.5%
Black or African American	21.0%
Hispanic/Latino	13.7%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.8%
Two or more races	3.4%
White	49.0%
Unknown	5.9%