



Distance Education Disclosures

United States Department of Education (34 CFR § 668.43)

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](#): (Cert PM)
- [Certificate in eLearning Pedagogy](#): (Cert eL)
- [Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Studies](#): (AASECS)
- [Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies](#): (BSECS)
- [Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies \(Completion\)](#): (BSECS Comp)
- [Bachelor of Science in Nursing \(Completion\)](#): (RN-BSN)
- [Bachelor of Science in Business Administration](#): (BSBA)
- [Bachelor of Science in Business Administration \(Completion\)](#): (BSBA Comp)
- [Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration](#): (BSHCA)
- [Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Studies](#) *(Closes 06.17.2027)
- [Master of Education](#): (MED)
- [Master of Science in Nursing](#)
- [Registered Nurse to Master of Science in Nursing](#): (RN-MSN)
- [Master of Business Administration](#): (MBA)
- [Master of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Studies](#) * (Closes 08.13.2026)
- [Master of Public Health](#): (MPH)
- [Master of Science in Technology and Innovation](#): (MSTI)
- Education Specialist in Leadership and Learning: (Ed.S.)
 - [Specialization in Health Care Administration](#)
 - [Specialization in Higher Education Leadership](#)
 - [Specialization in K-12 Educational Leadership](#)
 - [Specialization in Organizational Leadership](#)
 - [Specialization in Organizational Psychology](#)
- [Doctor of Science in Computer Science](#): (DSCS)
- Doctor of Education in Leadership and Learning: (Ed.D.)
 - [Specialization in Health Care Administration and Leadership](#)
 - [Specialization in Higher Education Leadership](#)
 - [Specialization in K-12 Educational Leadership](#)
 - [Specialization in Organizational Leadership](#)
 - [Specialization in Organizational Psychology](#)
- [Doctor of Nursing Practice](#): (DNP)
- [Doctor of Public Health](#): (DrPH)

State Authorization

State	Status	Notes or Explanations
Alabama	Licensed	Licensure has been granted for all programs offered, with the exception of the DrPH program.
Alaska	Exempt	All programs are exempt from authorization, with the exception of the DrPH program. The institution is exempt from authorization under provisions of AS 14.48 and 20 AAC 17.015 because the program is online or distance delivered and does not have a physical presence in the state.
Arizona	Licensed	AZPPSE granted a regular accredited vocational and degree program license for Aspen programs.

Arkansas	Granted Certification	Can enroll for the following programs: BSBA, BSBA (Completion), BSHCA, BAPAS, RN to BSN, RN to MSN, MSN, DSCS, EdD, and DNP. The Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board has granted certification for the above programs. Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board certification does not constitute an endorsement of any institution, course or degree program. Such certification merely indicates that certain minimum standards have been met under the rules and regulations of institutional certification as defined in Arkansas Code §6-61-301.
California	Registered	All programs are registered, with the exception of the DrPH program. 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.
Colorado	Authorization Not Required	100% fully online distance education programs are approved, pursuant to current regulations that permit limited field placements.
Connecticut	Provisional Approval	Currently not accepting any new students who reside in the state of Connecticut. Currently enrolled students are authorized to continue their program under the provisional approval granted by the state.
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	Online programs do not trigger physical presence and therefore, are not required to be licensed by the Florida Commission for Independent Education.
Georgia	Authorized	Certificate of Authorization issued for all programs, with the exception of the DrPH program. Aspen University has met the requirements set forth by the Nonpublic Postsecondary Educational Institution Act of 1990 of O.C.G.A. § 20-3-250.
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, with the exception of the DrPH program. 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	Registered	Students may enroll in all programs, except for the DrPH program. All programs, with the exception of the DPH, are registered with the Iowa Department of Education's Bureau of Iowa College Aid. No programs offered to Iowa students lead to initial professional/licensure in Iowa.
Kansas	Certificate of Approval	Can enroll for all programs, with the exception of the DrPH program. Aspen University has been issued a Certificate of Approval from the Board of Regents. KBOR Address is 1000 SW Jackson St., Suite 520; Topeka, KS 66612.
Kentucky	Limited Exemption	Can enroll for all programs EXCEPT the MSN, RN-MSN, RN-BSN, DNP, MPH, & DrPH 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	Operating License	Can enroll for all online programs, with the exception of the DrPH program. Aspen University is currently licensed by the Board of Regents of the State of Louisiana. Licenses are renewed by the State Board of Regents every two years. Licensed institutions have met minimal operational standards set forth by the state, but licensure does not constitute accreditation, guarantee the transferability of credit, nor signify that programs are certifiable by any professional agency or organization.
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	Conditional Approval	Confirmed currently enrolled students are approved to continue their program after signing a specific arbitration disclosure. In addition Aspen University is registered with the Minnesota Office of Higher Education pursuant to Minnesota Statutes sections 136A.61 to 136A.71. Registration is not an endorsement of the institution. Credits earned at the institution may not transfer to all other institutions.
Mississippi	Not Authorized	Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Mississippi.
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. 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. 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	Experiential License	Can enroll for all programs, with the exception of the DrPH program. Experiential License for Aspen issued by the Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education.
New Hampshire	Exempt	Can enroll for all programs. Aspen University is excluded from the jurisdiction of the New Hampshire Higher Education Commission.
New Jersey	Non-NC-Registered	RN to BSN, MSN A&M, MSN NE, and DNP programs have been registered as a Non-NC-SARA institution. Currently not accepting or enrolling students residing in New Jersey for any other 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. However non-NC-SARA institutions are required to register their programs with the state.
New Mexico	Authorized	All programs are approved. The New Mexico Higher Education Department has issued Aspen University a distance education authorization certificate.
New York	Approved with Limitation	Currently not accepting any applications from students who reside in New York. The DrPH program is not currently approved. Aspen University has been approved to offer its distance education programs to New York residents who are currently enrolled.
North Carolina	Licensed	Can enroll for all programs, with the exception of the DrPH program. The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina (BOG) issued Aspen University a license allowing the institution to conduct degree-granting postsecondary activities in North Carolina pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 116-15.
North Dakota	Authorized	Authorized to operate in North Dakota under North Dakota Century Code 15-18.1 and enroll for all programs.
Ohio	OBHE: Authorized OSBCCS: Authorization not required	All programs are approved, with the exception of the DrPH program. OBHE requires authorization 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. Out-of-state institutions do not require Oklahoma authorization to offer online-only degree-related distance education in Oklahoma.
Oregon	Authorized	Can enroll in all programs with the exception of the following: EdD, EdS, DNP, DrPH, DSCS, MBAIM, MBAPM, MSN, and RN to MSN. The Oregon Office of Degree Authorization issued the institution official authorization.
Pennsylvania	Registered	All online programs are approved. The institution is registered as an out-of-state distance education provider to enroll residents of Pennsylvania.
Rhode Island		Currently not accepting students who reside in the state of Rhode Island.
South Carolina	Exempt	All programs are exempt. The 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. South Dakota only authorizes institutions that have a physical location in the state.
Tennessee	Authorization not Required	Can enroll for all programs. The institution does not engage in any activity creating a physical presence thereby authorization is not required.
Texas	Authorized	Licensed for all online programs, with the exception of the DrPH program. 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, with the exception of the DrPH, 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.
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, MPH, & DrPH 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 in the following programs: RN-BSN, RN-MSN, MSN, DNP, and MPH.
West Virginia	Approved	Approved to offer online educational programs to West Virginia residents, with the exception of the DrPH program.
Wisconsin	Approved	The Educational Approval Program (EAP), under Wis. Stats. § 440.52 (10)(a), granted approval to Aspen University for all programs, with the exception of the DPH program.
Wyoming	Approved	Approved to offer online educational services to Wyoming students.

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 and should maintain a current address within their Student Portal.

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.

Many of Aspen's programs are not in fields where professional state licensure or certification are required for employment or are advanced degree programs where licensure is required for admission into the program.

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- Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration
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- Master of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Studies*
- Master of Education
- Master of Science in Nursing
- Registered Nurse to Master of Science in Nursing (RN-MSN)
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- Education Specialist
- Doctor of Science in Computer Science
- Doctor of Education in Leadership and Learning
- Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Doctor of Public Health

Enrollment Demographics Disclosures

For CY2023, 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
5.62%

AU Gender	
Gender	Percent of Learners
Female	85.4%
Male	15.6%
Unknown	0.0%

AU Self-Identified Ethnicity	
Self-identified Ethnicity	Percent of Learners
American Indian or Alaska Native	< 1%
Asian	7.2%
Black or African American	23.1%
Hispanic/Latino	3.5%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	< 1%
Two or more races	3.5%
White	53.1%
Unknown	8.1%