

COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

RECOGNITION DECISION SUMMARY

ACCREDITING COUNCIL ON EDUCATION IN JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATIONS (ACEJMC)

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: 135

Current CHEA-Recognized Scope of Accreditation

Programs in regionally and nationally accredited institutions within the United States and internationally that provide professional education in journalism and mass communications at the baccalaureate and master's degree level (only profession-focused master's level programs). (2011)

CHEA Recognition Information

History: Recognized by CHEA in April 2002
Recognition for up to 10 years with a report, January 2014

Most Recent Recognition Action

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, September 30, 2024

Decision: The CHEA Board of Directors awarded continuing CHEA-Recognition for a term of seven years with a Follow-up Report due December 1, 2024, and an Interim Report due at the midpoint of the recognition term (April 1, 2028). The Follow-up Report is to address Standard 2.C. which requires the accrediting organization to implement and uphold standards, policies, or procedures that require a timely response to all public concerns and complaints regarding an institution, a program, or the accrediting organization.

Summary of Prior Recognition Decisions

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, January 27, 2014: 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 Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC). 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).

ACEJMC 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: ACEJMC is required to provide a report on full implementation of accreditation standards or policies that require 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)(1), 2010 *CHEA Policy and Procedures*).

Profile, scope and recognition information as of October 3, 2024