

Central Connecticut State University Distance Learning Compliance Statement

On October 29, 2010, the federal government published a rule requiring institutions of higher education that participate in Title IV funding and operate in multiple states via distance learning to comply with whatever "authorization to operate" regulations are in place in those states where the institution has enrolled students or is otherwise active based on state definitions. On July 12, 2011, the District Court of the District of Columbia vacated the requirement for state authorization from the federal rule and this decision was upheld on appeal. State laws, however, still require that universities and colleges be authorized to operate prior to offering distance learning.

CCSU must, therefore, comply with specific authorization to operate in **each state** in which it is active, as that term is defined by each state.

Currently, CCSU is in compliance with and authorized to offer distance education to students living in the following states:

Arizona	Louisiana	Pennsylvania
California	Maine	South Carolina
Colorado	Massachusetts	South Dakota
Connecticut	Mississippi	Tennessee
Delaware	Montana	Texas
Florida	New Hampshire	Vermont
Georgia	New Jersey	Virginia
Idaho	New York	Washington
Illinois	North Carolina	West Virginia
Indiana	North Dakota	Wisconsin
Kentucky	Oregon	

CCSU **is not** authorized and cannot offer distance education to students living in the following states:

Alabama	Kansas	New Mexico
Alaska	Maryland	Ohio
Arkansas	Michigan	Oklahoma
District of Columbia	Minnesota	Rhode Island
Hawaii	Missouri	Utah
Iowa	Nebraska	Wyoming
	Nevada	

Additionally, institutions delivering courses by distance education are required to provide students or prospective students with contact information for filing complaints with the State approval or licensing entity in the student's state of residency and any other relevant State official or agency that would appropriately handle a student's complaint (regulation 34 C.F.R. § 600.9(a)(1)). The State Contact Information in the linked list has been collected by the State Higher Education Executive Officers (SHEEO), and will be updated as additional information becomes available:

<http://www.sheeo.org/stateauth/Complaint%20Process%20Links%20October%202011.pdf>.

SHEEO provides further resources relating to state authorization of distance education at <http://www.sheeo.org/stateauth/stateauth-home.htm>.