

Accreditations and Approvals

Johnson & Wales University (JWU) is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges Inc. (NEASC), through its Commission on Institutions of Higher Education. This accreditation encompasses the university's 4 campuses in Providence, Rhode Island; North Miami, Florida; Denver, Colorado; and Charlotte, North Carolina, and its online programs. Inquiries regarding JWU's accreditation status should be directed to

Office of the Provost
Johnson & Wales University
One Weybosset Hill, Sixth Floor
33 Broad Street
Providence RI 02903
Phone: 401-598-4535

Individuals may also contact

Commission on Institutions of Higher Education
New England Association of Schools and Colleges
3 Burlington Woods Drive, Suite 100
Burlington, MA 01803-4531
Toll-free phone: 888-88-NEASC
Email (cihe@neasc.org)

Legal control is vested in the Board of Trustees of Johnson & Wales University.

The university is authorized under federal law to enroll nonimmigrant alien students.

JWU is listed in the Education Directory of Colleges & Universities issued by the U.S. Department of Education.

JWU, its faculty and members of the administrative staff hold affiliation with numerous organizations.

Johnson & Wales University will make available for review to any enrolled or prospective student, upon request, a copy of the documents describing the institution's accreditation, approval or licensing. This information, as well as contact information for accreditors, may be obtained by contacting

Vice Provost
Office of the Provost
Johnson & Wales University
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Providence Campus: The State of Rhode Island has chartered Johnson & Wales University as a nonprofit degree-granting institution of higher learning.

North Miami Campus: JWU is licensed by the Commission for Independent Education, Florida Department of Education. Additional information regarding the institution may be obtained by contacting the Commission at 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, FL, 32399-0400; toll-free phone: 888-224-6684.

Denver Campus: The Colorado Commission on Higher Education has authorized JWU under the Degree Authorization Act to offer instruction leading to the award of credits and/or degrees in Colorado.

Charlotte Campus: The Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina has licensed JWU under G.S. 116-15(b) to conduct degree activity in North Carolina.

Providence and Denver Campuses — B.S. in Culinary Nutrition

Program: The Providence Campus and Denver Campus Culinary Nutrition programs are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND), 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL, 60606-6995; phone: 312-899-0040, ext. 5400. The Providence Campus and Denver Campus Didactic Programs in Dietetics (DPD) meet the standards of education set by ACEND.

Providence Campus — M.S. in Physician Assistant

Studies: The Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (<http://www.arc-pa.org>) (ARC-PA), the accrediting agency that defines the standards for PA education within the territorial U.S., has granted Accreditation-Provisional status to the Physician Assistant Studies Program at Johnson & Wales University.

About Provisional Status: Accreditation-Provisional is an accreditation status. The status indicates that the plans and resource allocation for the proposed program appear to demonstrate the program's ability to meet the ARC-PA Standards, if fully implemented as planned. Accreditation-Provisional does not ensure any subsequent accreditation status. It is limited to no more than 5 years from matriculation of the first class. Successful graduates will receive a Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPAS) from JWU and will be qualified to take the Physician Assistant National Certification Exam (PANCE) that is required for licensure as a physician assistant.

Online Campus: Johnson & Wales University offers online bachelor's and master's degree programs and is required to publish information about state approvals of these programs.

State Licensure for Online Programs: Johnson & Wales University is approved as a member of the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARA). The State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) is a national initiative to provide more access to online courses while maintaining compliance standards with state regulatory agencies. SARA allows institutions to provide online courses outside of their own state borders by seeking and maintaining state approvals via a streamlined process. To learn more about SARA, please visit their website (<http://www.nc-sara.org>).

SARA Approval of JWU: On November 9, 2015, the New England Board of Higher Education approved the State of Rhode Island to join SARA. On May 3, 2016, the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) approved institutional participation for Johnson & Wales University. The State of Rhode Island approved Johnson & Wales University to participate in NC-SARA on April 14, 2016. NC-SARA is a voluntary, regional approach to state oversight of postsecondary distance education. As a SARA member in the State of Rhode Island authorized by the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, Johnson & Wales University is authorized to provide distance education to students in all of the other SARA states (listed below).

Current SARA Member States: Current authorized SARA member states include: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Additional states are in the process of becoming SARA members.

NC-SARA Complaint information can be found online (<http://www.nc-sara.org/content/sara-and-students>).

Online Student Complaint Process: Information on Student Complaint Processes for students enrolled in the College of Online Education is available online (<https://online.jwu.edu/online-student-consumer-information>).

Font Notice

This document should contain certain fonts with restrictive licenses. For this draft, substitutions were made using less legally restrictive fonts. Specifically:

Times was used instead of Adobe Garamond Pro.

The editor may contact Leepfrog for a draft with the correct fonts in place.