

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZED ACCREDITING INSTITUTIONS

Degrees from United States Institutions

“Accredited” institutions are those institutions accredited by a recognized agency. The City of Los Angeles accepts degrees from institutions that are accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) or Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). Below is a list of USDE and CHEA accrediting agencies recognized by the City of Los Angeles.

USDE and CHEA Recognition Status as of January 2015:

http://www.chea.org/pdf/CHEA_USDE_AllAccred.pdf

To search for a specific institution, links are provided below to search the USDE and the CHEA databases. If the school is listed in either database, the City of Los Angeles recognizes the institution as being accredited by the respective accrediting agency.

United States Department of Education (USDE) Institution Database:

<http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx>

Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) Institution Database:

<https://www.chea.org/search-institutions>

Degrees from International Institutions

Publications generated by the **International Association of Universities (IAU)** are also a recognized reference to determine if an international degree is accredited. The link to the IAU database of international schools is:

<http://www.iau-aiu.net/content/institutions>

If appropriate, degrees that have been evaluated and deemed equivalent to degrees from United States recognized institutions by an academic credential evaluation agency may also be acceptable. Recognized credential evaluation agencies are listed with the following organizations:

The National Association of Credential Evaluation Services:

<http://www.naces.org>

Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc:

<http://www.aice-eval.org>

Please note that, in accordance with California Government Code 1031, Regulation 9053 (e)(5) (A), equivalent degrees do not meet the education requirements for entry level law enforcement positions.