

Approval to Operate and Accreditation

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Addendum - The Approval to Operate Policy has been revised to the "University Self-Monitoring Policy and Procedures for Ensuring Compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations" to identify CHSU's procedures in maintaining compliance with the requirements of The Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE). The revised policy can be located in the the addendums section of this catalog. The effective date of this addendum is 9-16-2024.

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Student Assistance

The Office of Student Assistance and Relief is available to support prospective students, current students, or past students of private postsecondary educational institutions in making informed decisions, understanding their rights, and navigating available services and relief options. The office may be reached by Phone: (888) 370-7589, Option #5 or email: osar@dca.ca.gov. More information on the Office of Student Assistance and Relief can be found on the [BPPE website](#).

Accreditation

WASC Senior College and University Commission ("WSCUC")

California Health Sciences University is accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC). WSCUC is a regional accreditor. Regional accreditation is a form of institutional accreditation that involves a comprehensive review of all institutional functions. Regional accrediting organizations do not accredit individual programs, although new programs are actively reviewed through the substantive change process.

More information on WSCUC accreditation, including the process to file a complaint directly with WSCUC can be found on the website at: www.wscuc.org. WSCUC is located at: 985 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100, Alameda, CA 94501, Phone: (510) 748-9001, Fax: (510) 748-9797.

Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA)

The California Health Sciences University College of Osteopathic Medicine was awarded status of Accreditation, effective April 4, 2024 by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) and is valid for seven years.

The American Osteopathic Association's Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) accredits osteopathic medical education programs leading to the DO degree in the United States (programmatic accreditation). The COCA also accredits free-standing colleges of osteopathic medicine where no other educational program is offered (institutional accreditation) and serves as the federal Title IV gatekeeper for those institutions. By assessing the compliance of osteopathic medical education programs based on the nationally accepted standards of the COCA, we serve the interests of the public and of the students enrolled in our Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (COMs). To achieve and maintain accreditation, an osteopathic medical education program leading to the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) degree must meet the standards found on the COCA website: <https://osteopathic.org>.

Information on how to file a complaint directly with COCA can be found on its website at <https://osteopathic.org>. COCA is located at 142 E. Ontario St., Chicago, IL 60611 and can be reached by phone at 888-626-9262.