ACCREDITATION AND AUTHORIZATION

**Accreditation**

The University of Maryland, College Park is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), http://msche.org, under the authority of the U.S. Department of Education. Contact information:

Middle States Commission on Higher Education
1007 North Orange Street
4th Floor, MB #166
Wilmington, DE 19801

In addition, individual colleges, schools, and departments are accredited by a number of other groups:

**Accreditors Approved by the U.S. Secretary of Education**

- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics
- American Psychological Association, Committee on Accreditation
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology
- American Veterinary Medical Association, Council on Education
- Commission on English Language Program Accreditation
- Council on Education for Public Health
- National Association of Schools of Dance, Commission on Accreditation
- National Association of Schools of Music

**Other Accreditors**

- American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education
- American Library Association (ALA)
- Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)
- Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation (AAQEP)
- Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology (ABET)
- Accrediting Council on Education on Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC)
- Institute of Food Technologists
- Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board (LAAB)
- Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE)
- National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)
- National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration
- Planning Accreditation Board

**Evaluated Rather Than Accredited**

- Maryland Sea Grant College (National Sea Grant Review Panel)
- Water Resources Center (United States Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey)

For more information about Accreditation see http://provost.umd.edu/accreditation/.

**Authorization**

The University of Maryland, College Park is authorized to operate in the state of Maryland by the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC), http://mhec.maryland.gov. All degree and certificate programs are approved by MHEC and the University System of Maryland.

The University of Maryland, College Park is a participating institution in the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), http://nc-sara.org, and is thereby authorized to offer online programs in all participating NC-SARA states and territories.

Individual programs operating in Washington, DC, have been authorized by the Higher Education Licensing Commission of Washington, DC, http://helc.osse.dc.gov. Pursuant to DC’s Official Code, the District of Columbia Higher Education Licensure Commission is the agency of last resort in the grievance process.

The University of Maryland, College Park is authorized to operate in the state of Virginia by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV), http://schev.edu. The university’s main campus location in Virginia is as follows:

University of Maryland at National Landing
214 18th Street
Crystal City, VA 22202