Student Complaint Process

Distance Education Complaint Process for Out-of-State Students

In compliance with US Department of Education (USDOE) rules, an institution offering distance education must provide enrolled and prospective students with contact information for filing complaints with its accrediting agency and with the appropriate state agency for handling complaints in the student's state.

Keystone College has a process for, and will make every attempt to resolve student complaints within its academic and administrative departments at the program level. If you are unsure who to contact at the program level, please email academicaffairs@keystone.edu and a member of the staff will forward your complaint to the appropriate Keystone administrative authority.

If an issue cannot be resolved at the program level, students have the right to file a complaint with the Office of Academic Affairs at academicaffairs@keystone.edu.

If the complaint cannot be resolved through College processes, students may go to the College's accreditor, the <u>Middle States Commission on Higher Education</u>.

Distance education students from outside of Pennsylvania who have exhausted all efforts to satisfactorily resolve a complaint in a timely manner through Keystone College may seek further guidance from their home state. Information for each state is listed below.

Keystone College distance education students who have a complaint regarding grades or academic decisions should first follow the policies as outlined in the <u>College Catalog</u>.

Alabama	Alabama Commission on Higher Education
	PO Box 302000
	Montgomery, AL 36130-2000
	https://ache.edu/
Alaska	Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education
	PO Box 110505
	Juneau, AK 99811-0505
	https://acpe.alaska.gov/ConsumerProtection
Arizona	Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education
	1400 W. Washington Street
	Room 260
	Phoenix, AZ 85007
	https://ppse.az.gov/complaint
Arkansas	Arkansas Department of Higher Education
	114 East Capitol Ave

	Little Rock, AR 72201
	ADHE_Info@adhe.edu
	http://www.adhe.edu/students-parents/colleges-universites/student-grievance-
	form
	Arkansas State Board of Private Career Education
	501 Woodlane, Suite 312S
	Little Rock, AR 72201
	sbpce@arkansas.gov
	http://sbpce.arkansas.gov/students/Pages/complaintProcess.aspx
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California	California Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education
	P.O. Box 980818
	W. Sacramento, CA 95798-0818 bppe@dca.ca.gov
	http://www.bppe.ca.gov/enforcement/complaint.shtml
Colorado	Colorado Department of Higher Education
30101440	1560 Broadway, Suite 1600
	Denver, CO 80202
	http://highered.colorado.gov/Academics/Complaints/default.html
Connectic	Connecticut Department of Higher Education
ut	61 Woodland Street
	Hartford, CT 06105-2326
	info@ctdhe.org
	http://www.ctohe.org/StudentComplaints.shtml
Delaware	Delaware Higher Education Office
	Carvel State Office Building, 5th Floor
	820 N. French Street
	Wilmington, DE 19801-3509
District of	http://www.detc.org/Student-Center/Complaint-Process.aspx Office of the State Superintendent of Education
Columbia	Education Licensure Commission
Columbia	810 First Street, NE
	9th Floor
	Washington, DC 20002
	http://osse.dc.gov/service/education-licensure-commission-elc-public-complaints
Florida	Florida Commission on Independent Education
	325 W. Gaines Street
	Suite 1414
	Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
	Commissioner@fldoe.org
	http://www.fldoe.org/sara/complaint-process.stml

Georgia	Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission
deorgia	2082 E. Exchange Pl. #220
	Tucker, GA 30084-5334
	http://gnpec.org/
Hawaii	Hawaii State Board of Education
	PO Box 2360
	Honolulu, HI 96804
	ocp@dcca.hawaii.gov
	http://cca.hawaii.gov/hpeap/student-complaint-process/
Idaho	Idaho State Board of Education
	Attn: State Coordinator for Private Colleges and Proprietary Schools
	650 West State Street
	PO Box 83720
	Boise, ID 83720-0037
711:	http://www.boardofed.idaho.gov/priv_col_univ/student_complaint.asp
Illinois	Illinois Board of Higher Education
	431 East Adams, 2nd Floor
	Springfield, IL 62701-1404
	info@ibhe.org Institutional Complaint Hotline: (217) 557-7359
	http://complaints.ibhe.org/
Indiana	Indiana Commission on Higher Education
Illulalia	101 W Ohio Street, Suite 550
	Indianapolis, IN 46204-1984
	(317) 464-4400 Phone
	(317) 464-4410
	http://www.in.gov/che/2744.htm
Iowa	Iowa Student Aid Commission
	603 E. 12th Street, 5th Floor
	Des Moines, IA 50319
	info@iowacollegeaid.gov
	https://www.iowacollegeaid.gov/StudentComplaintForm
Kansas	Kansas Board of Regents
	1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 520
	Topeka, KS 66612-1368
77 . 1	https://www.kansasregents.org/state_university_student_complaint_form
Kentucky	Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education
	1024 Capital Center Dr. #320
	Frankfort, KY 40601-7512
	http://cpe.ky.gov/campuses/consumer complaint.html
Louisiana	Louisiana Board of Regents
	PO Box 3677
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	Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3677
	https://regents.la.gov/students-parents/student-complaint-process/
Maine	Maine Department of Education
	Complaint Investigator
	23 State House Station
	Augusta, ME 04333-0023
	http://www.maine.gov/tools/whatsnew/index.php?topic=DOE Reporting Form
	<u>s&id=510426&v=Article</u>
Maryland	Maryland Higher Education Commission
	6 N. Liberty Street, 10th Floor
	Baltimore, MD 21201
	https://mhec.maryland.gov/institutions training/Pages/career/pcs/complaint.as
	<u>px</u>
Massachus	Massachusetts Deard of Higher Education
etts	Massachusetts Board of Higher Education
	One Ashburton Place
	Room 1401
	Boston, MA 02108
	https://www.mass.edu/forstufam/complaints/complaints.asp
Michigan	Michigan Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs
	PO Box 30718
	Lansing, MI 30718
	http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-35299 61343 35395 35396-
	<u>139958,00.html</u>
Minnesota	
- Inniesota	Minnesota Office of Higher Education
	1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 350
	St. Paul, MN 55108-5227
	http://www.ohe.state.mn.us/mPg.cfm?pageID=1078
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Mississipp	Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation
1	3825 Ridgewood Road
	Jackson, MS 39211-6453
	http://www.mississippi.edu/mcca/downloads/studentcomplaintform.pdf
	Mississippi Commission of Proprietary Schools and College Registration
	3825 Ridgewood Road
	Jackson, MS 39211-6453
	https://www.mccb.edu/student-consumer-info
Missouri	Missouri Department of Higher Education
	205 Jefferson Street
	PO Box 1469
	Jefferson City, MO 65102-1469
	info@dhe.mo.gov
	http://dhe.mo.gov/documents/POLICYONCOMPLAINTRESOLUTION-
	<u>reviseddraft.pdf</u>
Montana	Montana Board of Regents
	Office of Commissioner of Higher Education
	Montana University System
	2500 Broadway Street
	PO Box 203201
	Helena, MT 59620-3201
	http://mus.edu/MUS-Statement-of-Complaint-Process.asp
Nebraska	Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
	140 N. 8th Street
	Lincoln, NE 68508
	https://ccpe.nebraska.gov/student-complaints-against-postsecondary-
	<u>institutions</u>
Nevada	Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education
	3663 East Sunset Road

	Suite 202
	Las Vegas, Nevada 89120
	http://cpe.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/cpenvgov/content/Students/Complaint%20For
	m%20Initial%20Fillable.pdf
New	
Hampshir	New Hampshire Postsecondary Education Commission
e	3 Barrell Court #300
	Concord, NH 03301-8531
	https://my.doe.nh.gov/ESSWEB/HigherEducation/Complaint.aspx
New Jersey	New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education
Jersey	PO Box 542
	Trenton, NJ 08625
	nj che@che.state.nj.us
	https://www.nj.gov/highereducation/OSHEComplaintInstructions.shtml
	New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs
	124 Halsey Street
	Newark, NJ 07102
	http://www.nj.gov/oag/ca/complaint/ocp.pdf
New	New Mexico Higher Education Department
Mexico	2048 Galisteo
	Santa Fe, NM 87505
	https://hed.state.nm.us/students-parents/student-complaints
New York	
	New York Office of College and University Evaluation
	New York State Education Department
	5 North Mezzanine
	Albany, NY 12234
	ocueinfo@mail.nysed.gov
	http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/spr/COMPLAINTFORMINFO.html
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	New York Bureau of Proprietary School Supervision
	New York State Education Department
	99 Washington Avenue, Room 1613 OCP
	Albany, NY 12234
	http://www.acces.nysed.gov/bpss/student-rights
NIdl.	
North Carolina	North Carolina Office of Proprietary School Services
	North Carolina Community College System
	200 West Jones St.
	Raleigh, NC 27603
	http://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/complaint-procedures-and-forms
	North Carolina Board of Governors
	910 Raleigh Rd.
	Chapel Hill, NC 27514
	https://www.northcarolina.edu/post-secondary-education-complaints/
North Dakota	North Dakota Department of Career and Technical Education
Banota	State Capitol - 15th Floor
	600 E. Boulevard Ave. Dept. 270
	Bismarck, ND 58505-0610
	<u>dehuber@nd.gov</u> (Send complaint directly to email address)
	North Dakota Consumer Protection Division
	Office of Attorney General
	Gateway Professional Center
	1050 E. Interstate Ave. Suite 200
	Bismarck, ND 58503-5574
	https://attorneygeneral.nd.gov/consumer-resources/consumer-complaints
Ohio	Ohio State Board of Career Colleges and Schools
	35 East Gay Street, Suite 403

	Columbus, OH 43215-3138
	http://scr.ohio.gov/ConsumerInformation/FilingaComplaint.aspx
	Ohio Attorney General
	Consumer Protection Section
	30 East Broad Street, 14th floor
	Columbus, OH 43215-3400
	https://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/Files/Forms/Forms-for-
	Consumers/ConsumerComplaintForm3292012-pdf
Oklahoma	Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
	655 Research Parkway
	Suite 200
	Oklahoma City, OK 73104
	http://www.okhighered.org/resources/Student-Complaint-Form/
	Oklahoma State Board of Private Schools
	3700 Classen Boulevard
	Suite 250
	Oklahoma City, OK 73118-2864
	nhouse@obpvs.ok.gov (Send email to request complaint form)
Oregon	Oregon Office of Degree Authorization
	1500 Valley River Drive
	Suite 100
	Eugene, OR 97401
	alethia.miller@state.or.us (Send email to request complaint form)
	Oregon Department of Education
	Private Career Schools Office
	255 Capitol Street NE
	Salem, OR 97310-0203
	https://www.oregon.gov/ode/Pages/default.aspx

Puerto	Duanta Diae Causail an Highau Eduartian
Rico	Puerto Rico Council on Higher Education
	PO Box 1900
	San Juan, PR 00910-1900
	http://www.ce.pr.gov/
Rhode	Rhode Island Board of Governors for Higher Education
Island	Shepard Building
	80 Washington Street
	Providence, RI 02903
	http://www.ribghe.org/8a1031912.pdf
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South Carolina	South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
Caronna	1333 Main Street, Suite 200
	Columbia, SC 29201
	(803) 737-2260
	(803) 737-2297
	http://www.che.sc.gov/CHE Docs/AcademicAffairs/License/Complaint procedu
	res and form.pdf
South Dakota	South Dakota Office of Attorney General
Dakota	Division of Consumer Protection
	1302 E. Hwy 14 Suite 1
	Pierre, SD 57501-8053
	(605) 773-3215
	https://consumer.sd.gov/complaintform.aspx
Tennessee	Tennessee Higher Education Commission
	404 James Robertson Parkway
	Suite 1900
	Nashville, TN 37243
	https://www.tn.gov/thec/for-students-and-families/transcript-requests-and-
	<u>institution-complaints.html</u>

Texas	Texas Workforce Commission
	Career Schools and Colleges - Room 226-T
	101 East 15th Street
	Austin, TX 78778-0001
	http://www.twc.state.tx.us/svcs/propschools/ps401a.pdf
	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
	1200 E. Anderson Lane
	Austin, TX 78752
	https://www.highered.texas.gov/institutional-resources-programs/public-
	universities-health-related-institutions/other-institutional-resources/state-
	authorization-reciprocity-agreement-sara/
Utah	Utah Division of Consumer Protection
	160 East 300 South
	Salt Lake City, UT 84111
	consumerprotection@utah.gov
	http://consumerprotection.utah.gov/complaints/index.html
	ittp://consumerprotection.utan.gov/complaints/index.ntm
Vermont	Vermont Agency of Education
	State Board of Education
	120 State Street
	Montpelier, VT 05620-2501
	(802) 828-5402
	cathy.hilgendorf@state.vt.us (Send email to file a complaint)
Virgin	Covernment of the United States Virgin Islands
Islands	Government of the United States Virgin Islands
	Department of Education, Office of the Commissioner
	1834 Kongens Gade
	St. Thomas, V.I. 00802
	http://www.vide.vi/our-divisions/office-of-the-commissioner/
Virginia	State Council of Higher Education for Virginia
	101 N. 14th St.

	James Monroe Building
	Richmond, VA 23219
	communications@schev.edu
	https://www.schev.edu/index/students-and-parents/resources/student-
	<u>complaints</u>
Washingto n	Washington Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board
11	128 10th Avenue SW
	PO Box 43105
	Olympia, WA 98504-3105
	workforce@wtb.wa.gov
	http://www.wtb.wa.gov/PCS Complaints.asp
	Washington State Office of the Attorney General
	1125 Washington Street SE
	PO Box 40100
	Olympia, WA 98504-0100
	https://fortress.wa.gov/atg/formhandler/ago/ComplaintForm.aspx
West Virginia	West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission
VIIgillia	1018 Kanawha Blvd E., Ste 700
	Charleston, WV 25301-2800
	http://www.wvhepc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Student-Complaint-
	<u>Process-revised-3.pdf</u>
	Community and Technical College System of West Virginia
	1018 Kanawha Blvd. E., Ste. 700
	Charleston, WV 25301
	https://www.wvctcs.org/complaints
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Educational Approval Board
	30 W. Mifflin St., 9th Floor
	P.O. Box 8696
	Madison, WI 53708

	eabmail@eab.state.wi.us https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Programs/EducationalApproval/Student.aspx
Wyoming	Wyoming Department of Education
	2300 Capitol Avenue
	Hathaway Building, 2nd Floor
	Cheyenne, WY 82002-0050
	https://edu.wyoming.gov/blog/2018/12/06/student-complaint-form/

Sources consulted in developing this process

 $\underline{https://distance.ufl.edu/getting-help/student-complaint-process/}$

 $\underline{https://www.kutztown.edu/about-ku/administrative-offices/distance-education/state-authorization/student-complaint-process.html}$