

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development

HB Section(s): 3.005

Program Name: Out-of-State Program Approval

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Coordination Administration

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Coordination

1b. What does this program do?

This program allows the Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development (DHEWD) to provide appropriate oversight of out-of-state public institutions offering online and on-ground education to Missouri residents, as directed by Section 173.005.2(12)(b)b, RSMo. The number of Missouri residents enrolling in academic programs offered by approved out-of-state institutions had increased significantly between 2010 and 2016, but has declined dramatically over the past four years. This is primarily the result of the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA), which allows out-of-state institutions who have joined SARA to be authorized to offer online education in all SARA-participating states without additional approval. However, some out-of-state institutions that have not joined SARA in their state require the DHEWD to authorize them if they want to offer education in Missouri. Currently, the department has authorized seven out-of-state public institutions that do not fall under SARA authorization.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.

Percent of initial applications meeting the standard. Out-of-state institutions' authorization to operate in Missouri is granted for one year only to ensure the quality of programs being offered. Out-of-state institutions are required to submit the following information to the DHEWD yearly, for review and to receive authorization for the next year:

1. Good standing with their state approval agency: **100 percent of initial applications met the standard.**
2. Evidence of accreditation by a recognized accrediting body: **100 percent of initial applications met the standard.**
3. The list of degree programs and projected number of Missouri residents enrolled: **100 percent of initial applications met the standard.**
4. Assurance from the institution that they are abiding by the CBHE Principles of Good Practice for Distance Learning and Web-based courses: **100 percent of initial applications met the standard.**

Forty-nine institutions were authorized during the 2016-2017 year and 12 during the 2017-2018 year. During the 2018-2019 academic year, only 5 institutions, all from the state of California (a non-SARA state), were authorized.

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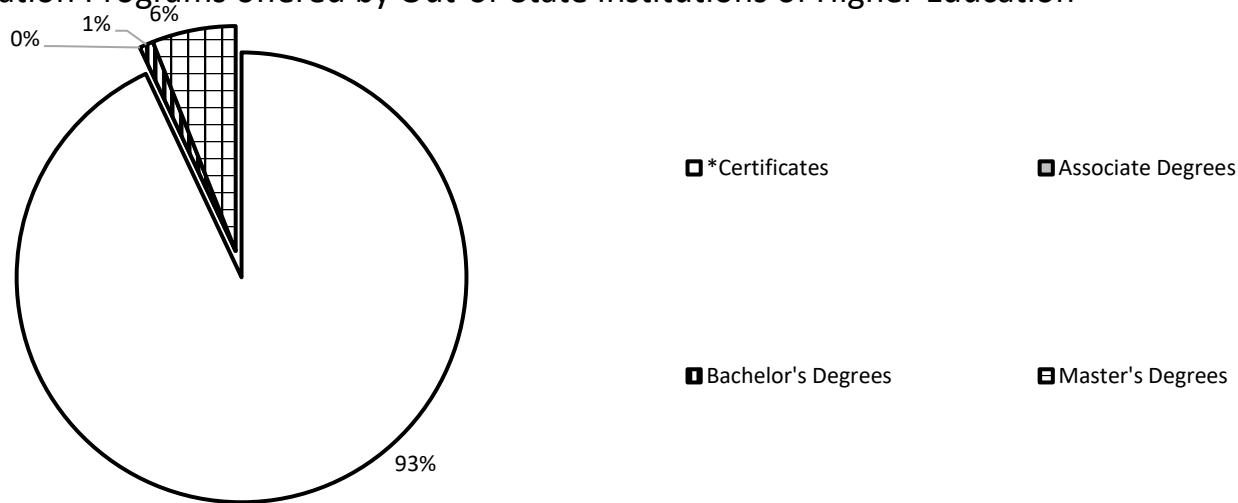
2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.

All institutions must provide documentation of accreditation and assure that they are following the CBHE Principles of Good Practice for Distance Learning and Web-Based Courses. All students can file a formal complaint with the Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development if these schools are in violation of any of these practices as well as complaints of a more general nature. There have been no complaints filed on any certified schools.

2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.

This program served a total of 89 Missouri students, all from the five California state institutions receiving certification in FY 2018 - 2019.

Distance Education Programs offered by Out-of-State Institutions of Higher Education



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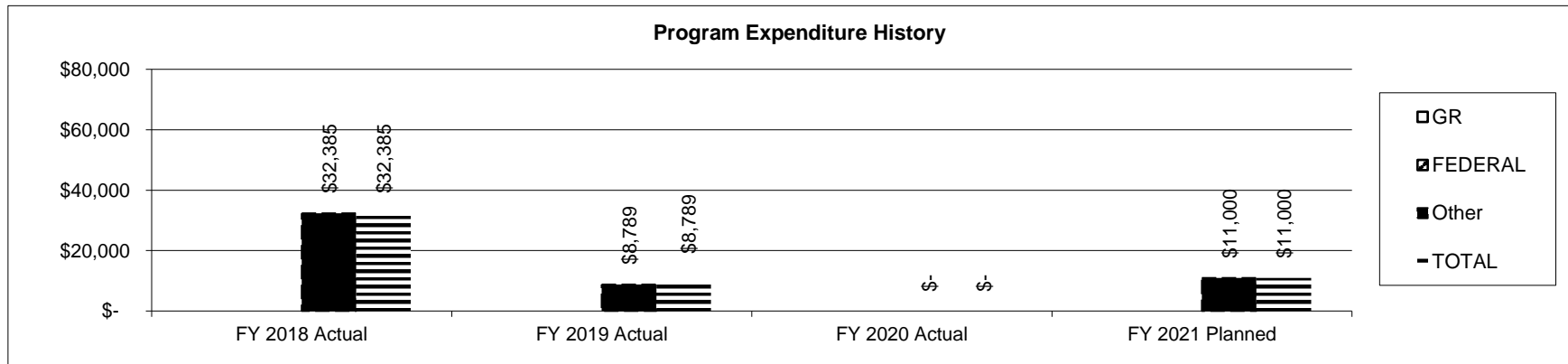
2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

Percent of approvals completed within the established timeline. Data to measure efficiency is based on initial contact by the out-of-state institution through time of approval, based on the following parameters:

1. Date the application materials were sent from DHEWD to the institution goal was within 10 working days: 100% met.
2. Date official authorization was issued goal was within 20 working days: 100% met.

100 percent of approvals completed within the established timeline.

3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



*Note - due to low number of SARA schools in recent years, the fund balance is less than appropriation authority.

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4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?

DHEWD Out-of-State Program Fund (0420)

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

Section 173.005.2(12)(b)b. and 173.030(6), RSMo

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

No

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

No