

CCHE's Duties and Powers Inventory

The following sections of statutory citations include duties, powers, and directives of the Commission.

23-1-102. Commission established - terms of office.

Establishes the commission and sets the terms for commissioners.

23-1-105. Duties and powers of the commission with respect to appropriations.

The commission prescribes uniform financial reporting policies, including policies for counting and classifying full-time equivalent students, for the institutions and governing boards within the state-supported system of higher education.

23-1-106. Duties and powers of the commission with respect to capital construction and long-range planning.

Commission's authority for approval of capital construction projects.

23-1-106.3. Duties and powers of the commission - capital construction projects - federal mineral lease revenues fund - higher education institutions lease-purchase cash fund.

Commission's authority and responsibilities for approving policies and projects using Federal Mineral Lease revenues.

23-1-107. Duties and powers of the commission with respect to program approval, review, reduction, and discontinuance.

Commission's authority for program approval and review.

23-1-108. Duties and powers of the commission with regard to systemwide planning.

Instructs the commission to develop a master plan for Colorado postsecondary education.

23-1-108.5. Duties and powers of the commission with regard to common course numbering system - repeal.

Requires the commission to oversee the adoption of a statewide articulation matrix system of course numbering for general education courses that includes all state-supported institutions of higher education and that will ensure that the quality of and requirements that pertain to general education courses are comparable and transferable systemwide.

23-1-109. Duties and powers of the commission with regard to off-campus instruction.

Allows the Commission to define off-campus instruction service areas, and set the policies which define which courses and programs taught off-campus are eligible for general fund support.

23-1-109.3 Duties and powers of the commission with regard to student data memorandum of understanding.

Requires the Commission to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the State Board of Education to adopt a policy on student data sharing.

23-1-109.7. Duties and powers of the commission with regard to the provision of educational services.

The commission shall be responsible for ensuring the provision of specific postsecondary educational services in the state such as; education in rural areas; graduate school services; economic development opportunities; and specialized educational services and professional degrees.

23-1-112. Tuition - reciprocal agreements.

Instructs commission to identify circumstances where the waiving of the nonresident differential in tuition rates, on a reciprocal basis with other states, would enhance educational opportunities for Colorado residents. nonresident differential for residents of the other states.

23-1-113. Commission directive - admission standards for baccalaureate and graduate institutions of higher education.

Instructs the commission to establish admission standards for first-time freshmen and transfer students at all state-supported baccalaureate and graduate institutions of higher education in the state.

23-1-113.3 Commission directive – basic skills courses.

Requires the Commission to adopt standards and procedures for institutions to offer basic skills courses.

23-1-113.5. Commission directive - resident admissions.

Directs the commission to develop admission policies to ensure that institutions primarily serve and educate residents of Colorado.

23-1-113.7. Commission directive - nursing programs - employer-based gift and scholarship fund - legislative declaration.

Instructs the commission to develop admissions policies for nursing programs at state-supported institutions of higher education that, subject to the availability of funds through the more nurses for Colorado fund created pursuant to subsection (4) of this section, allow for a greater number of students.

23-1-118. Commission directive - programs of excellence.

The commission is instructed to develop and employ criteria for identifying programs of excellence in state institutions of higher education.

23-1-119.2. Commission directive - notice of college preparatory courses for high school students.

The commission shall send an annual notice concerning college preparatory courses to the parent or legal guardian of each student who takes the standardized, curriculum-based, achievement, college entrance exam.

23-1-120. Commission directive - incentives for improvement initiative grants.

The commission shall identify areas of statewide interest in the postsecondary education system and develop criteria to be employed in evaluating proposals for incentives for improvement at state institutions of higher education.

23-1-121 Commission directive – approval of teacher preparation programs

Requires the Commission to adopt policies to ensure that each teacher preparation program offered in the state is reviewed and meets requirements.

23-1-121.5. Commission directive - education in special education.

The commission shall adopt the necessary policies and procedures to require state-supported institutions of higher education offering programs approved by the state board of education for special education teacher preparation.

23-1-121.7. Commission directive - paraprofessional programs.

The commission, acting within its authority to approve teacher preparation programs pursuant to section 23-1-121, may consider requests for approval of an education paraprofessional preparation program offered by an institution of higher education.

23-1-123. Commission directive - fee policies.

Instructs the commission to adopt policies concerning the definition, assessment, increase, and use of fees, including but not limited to the policies specified in this section.

23-1-124. Commission directive – student bill of rights – degree requirements – implementation of core courses – competency test.

Specifies that the Commission shall develop standards for degree programs, core course transferability, and testing out of core courses.

23-1-126. Commission directive - nursing programs.

The commission shall evaluate and implement two-year educational programs for professional registered nursing. The commission shall adopt any necessary policies and rules for the implementation of a two-year program for professional registered nursing.

23-1-127. Commission directive - regional education providers - criteria.

The commission shall provide oversight and direction for the provision of regional education at Adams state college, Mesa state college, and Western state college of Colorado.

23-1-128. Commission directive - American sign language in higher education institutions.

The commission shall adopt the necessary policies and procedures to require higher education institutions in the state to treat American sign language as a foreign language for purposes of granting and receiving academic credit.

23-2-103.3 Authorization to do business in Colorado.

Requires private degree granting institutions to seek approval from the Commission to operate in Colorado after a review conducted by the Department. Allows the Commission to instruct the Department to review a private degree granting institution for cause and determine if the institution should lose its authorization.

23-2-104. Administration of article - injunctive proceedings.

The commission acting through the attorney general, may proceed by injunction against any violation of this article, but no such proceeding and no order issued therein or as a result thereof shall bar the imposition of any other penalty imposed for violation of this article.

23-104.5. Fees.

Requires the Commission to establish the fees to be paid by a private college seeking authorization.

23-3-104. Designation of commission.

The commission shall be the state agency to administer and supervise the administration of funds under Title IV of Public Law 89-329, known as the "Higher Education Act of 1965", and amendments thereto, and Public Law 89-287, known as the "National Vocational Student Loan Insurance Act of 1965", and amendments thereto.

23-3-105. Duties, powers, and limitations of commission with respect to the guarantee loan program.

Describes the commission's powers in furtherance of the guarantee loan program.

23-3-106. Contributions to commission.

The commission is empowered to accept and receive from any individual, association, or gifts, grants, donations, or contributions of money or property.

23-3.3-102. Assistance program authorized – procedure – audits.

Allows the Commission to determine the eligibility of institutions for financial aid and charges the Commission to administer financial aid policies and procedures.