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# The WICHE Commission

WICHE's 45 commissioners are appointed by their governors from among state higher executive officers, college and university presidents, legislators, and business leaders from the 15 Western states. This regional commission provides governance and guidance to WICHE's staff in Boulder, CO. Diane Barrans, executive director of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, is chair of the WICHE Commission; Philip L. Dubois, president of the University of Wyoming, is vice chair.

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# Commission Committees 2005

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The WICHE website, [www.wiche.edu](http://www.wiche.edu), includes a staff directory with phone numbers and email addresses.

## Higher Education Acronyms

Higher ed is addicted to acronyms, so much so that the actual names of organizations are sometimes almost lost to memory. Below, a list of acronyms and the organizations they refer to (plus a few others).

AACC	American Association of Community Colleges	<a href="http://www.aacc.nche.edu">www.aacc.nche.edu</a>
AACTE	American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education	<a href="http://www.aacte.org">www.aacte.org</a>
AAC&U	Association of American Colleges and Universities	<a href="http://www.aacu-edu.org">www.aacu-edu.org</a>
AAHE	American Association for Higher Education	<a href="http://www.aahe.org">www.aahe.org</a>
AASCU	American Association of State Colleges and Universities	<a href="http://www.aascu.org">www.aascu.org</a>
AAU	Association of American Universities	<a href="http://www.aau.edu">www.aau.edu</a>
ACE	American Council on Education	<a href="http://www.acenet.edu">www.acenet.edu</a>
ACT	(college admission testing program)	<a href="http://www.act.org">www.act.org</a>
ACUTA	Association of College & University Telecommunications Administrators	<a href="http://www.acuta.org">www.acuta.org</a>
AED	Academy for Educational Development	<a href="http://www.aed.org">www.aed.org</a>
AERA	American Educational Research Association	<a href="http://www.aera.net">www.aera.net</a>
AGB	Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges Center for Public Higher Education Trusteeship & Governance	<a href="http://www.agb.org">www.agb.org</a> <a href="http://www.agb.org/center/">www.agb.org/center/</a>
AIHEC	American Indian Higher Education Consortium	<a href="http://www.aihec.org">www.aihec.org</a>
AIR	Association for Institutional Research	<a href="http://www.airweb.org">www.airweb.org</a>
ASPIRA	(an association to empower Latino youth)	<a href="http://www.aspira.org">www.aspira.org</a>
ASHE	Association for the Study of Higher Education	<a href="http://www.ashe.missouri.edu">www.ashe.missouri.edu</a>
ATA	American TelEdCommunications Alliance	<a href="http://www.atalliance.org">www.atalliance.org</a>
CAEL	Council for Adult and Experiential Learning	<a href="http://www.cael.org">www.cael.org</a>
CASE	Council for Advancement and Support of Education	<a href="http://www.case.org">www.case.org</a>
CGS	Council of Graduate Schools	<a href="http://www.cgsnet.org">www.cgsnet.org</a>
CHEA	Council for Higher Education Accreditation	<a href="http://www.chea.org">www.chea.org</a>
CHEPS	Center for Higher Education Policy Studies	<a href="http://www.utwente.nl/cheps">www.utwente.nl/cheps</a>
CIC	Council of Independent Colleges	<a href="http://www.cic.org">www.cic.org</a>
COE	Council for Opportunity in Education	<a href="http://www.trioprogams.org">www.trioprogams.org</a>
CONAHEC	Consortium for Higher Education Collaboration	<a href="http://www.wiche.edu/conahec/english">www.wiche.edu/conahec/english</a>
CONASEP	CONAHEC's Student Exchange Program	<a href="http://www.wiche.edu.conahec./conasep">www/wiche.edu.conahec./conasep</a>
CSG-WEST	Council of State Governments – West	<a href="http://www.westrends.org">www.westrends.org</a>
CSHE	Center for the Study of Higher Education	<a href="http://www.ed.psu.edu/cshe">www.ed.psu.edu/cshe</a>
CSPN	College Savings Plan Network	<a href="http://www.collegesavings.org">www.collegesavings.org</a>
ECS	Education Commission of the States	<a href="http://www.ecs.org">www.ecs.org</a>
ED	U.S. Dept. of Education links:	
ED-FSA	Federal Student Aid	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/fsa/index.html">www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/fsa/index.html</a>
ED-IES	Institute of Education Sciences	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ies/index.html?src=mr">www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ies/index.html?src=mr</a>

ED-NCES	National Center for Education Statistics	<a href="http://nces.ed.gov">http://nces.ed.gov</a>
ED-OESE	Office of Elementary & Secondary Education	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oese/index.html?src=mr">www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oese/index.html?src=mr</a>
ED-OPE	Office of Postsecondary Education	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/index.html?src=mr">www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/index.html?src=mr</a>
ED-OSERS	Office of Special Education & Rehabilitative Services	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/index.html?src=mr">www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/index.html?src=mr</a>
ED-OVAE	Office of Vocational and Adult Education	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/index.html?src=mr">www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/index.html?src=mr</a>
FIPSE	Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/fipse/index.html">www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/fipse/index.html</a>
EDUCAUSE	(An association fostering higher ed change via technology and information resources)	<a href="http://www.educause.edu">www.educause.edu</a>
ETS	Educational Testing Service	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>
GHEE	Global Higher Education Exchange	<a href="http://www.ghee.org">www.ghee.org</a>
HACU	Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities	<a href="http://www.whes.org/members/hacu.html">www.whes.org/members/hacu.html</a>
HEA	Higher Education Abstracts	<a href="http://www.cgu.edu/inst/hea/hea.html">www.cgu.edu/inst/hea/hea.html</a>
IHEP	Institute for Higher Education Policy	<a href="http://www.ihep.com">www.ihep.com</a>
IIE	Institute of International Education	<a href="http://www.iie.org">www.iie.org</a>
IPEDS	Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System	<a href="http://www.nces.ed.gov/ipeds">www.nces.ed.gov/ipeds</a>
McCrel	Mid-continent Research for Education and Learning	<a href="http://www.mcrel.org">www.mcrel.org</a>
MHEC	Midwestern Higher Education Compact	<a href="http://www.mhec.org">www.mhec.org</a>
MSA/CHE	Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Higher Education	<a href="http://www.middlestates.org">www.middlestates.org</a>
NACOL	North American Council for Online Learning	<a href="http://www.nacol.org">www.nacol.org</a>
NACUBO	National Association of College and University Business Officers	<a href="http://www.nacubo.org">www.nacubo.org</a>
NAEP	National Assessment of Educational Progress	<a href="http://www.nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard">www.nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard</a>
NAFEO	National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education	<a href="http://www.nafeo.org">www.nafeo.org</a>
NAFSA	(an association of international educators)	<a href="http://www.nafsa.org">www.nafsa.org</a>
NAICU	National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities	<a href="http://www.naicu.edu">www.naicu.edu</a>
NASC	Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, Commission on Colleges	<a href="http://www.cocnasc.org">www.cocnasc.org</a>
NASFAA	National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators	<a href="http://www.nasfaa.org">www.nasfaa.org</a>
NASPA	National Association of Student Personnel Administrators	<a href="http://www.naspa.org">www.naspa.org</a>
NASULGC	National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges	<a href="http://www.nasulgc.org">www.nasulgc.org</a>
NCA-CASI	North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement	<a href="http://www.ncacasi.org">www.ncacasi.org</a>
NCHEMS	National Center for Higher Education Management Systems	<a href="http://www.nchems.org">www.nchems.org</a>
NCSL	National Conference of State Legislatures	<a href="http://www.ncsl.org">www.ncsl.org</a>
NCPPE	National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education	<a href="http://www.highereducation.org">www.highereducation.org</a>
NEASC-CIHE	New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education	<a href="http://www.neasc.org">www.neasc.org</a>
NEBHE	New England Board of Higher Education	<a href="http://www.nebhe.org">www.nebhe.org</a>
NEON	Northwest Educational Outreach Network	<a href="http://www.wiche.edu/NWAF/NEON">www.wiche.edu/NWAF/NEON</a>
NGA	National Governors' Association	<a href="http://www.nga.org">www.nga.org</a>
NPEC	National Postsecondary Education Cooperative	<a href="http://www.nces.ed.gov/npec">www.nces.ed.gov/npec</a>
NUCEA	National University Continuing Education Association	<a href="http://www.nucea.edu">www.nucea.edu</a>
NWAF	Northwest Academic Forum	<a href="http://www.wiche.edu/NWAF">www.wiche.edu/NWAF</a>

RMAIR	Rocky Mountain Association for Institutional Research	<a href="http://www.unlv.edu/PAIR/rmair">www.unlv.edu/PAIR/rmair</a>
SACS-CoC	Southern Association of Schools and Colleges, Commission on Colleges	<a href="http://www.sacscoc.org">www.sacscoc.org</a>
SHEEO	State Higher Education Executive Officers	<a href="http://www.sheeo.org">www.sheeo.org</a>
SHEPC	State Higher Education Policy Center	n/a
SONA	Student Organization of North America	<a href="http://www.conahec.org/sona">www.conahec.org/sona</a>
SREB	Southern Regional Education Board	<a href="http://www.sreb.org">www.sreb.org</a>
SREC	Southern Regional Electronic Campus	<a href="http://www.electroniccampus.org">www.electroniccampus.org</a>
UNCF	United Negro College Fund	<a href="http://www.uncf.org">www.uncf.org</a>
WAGS	Western Association of Graduate Schools	<a href="http://www.wiche.edu/wags/index.htm">www.wiche.edu/wags/index.htm</a>
WASC-ACCJC	Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges	<a href="http://www.accjc.org">www.accjc.org</a>
WASC-Sr	Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities	<a href="http://www.wascweb.org/senior/wascsr.html">www.wascweb.org/senior/wascsr.html</a>
WCET	Western Cooperative for Educational Telecommunications	<a href="http://www.wiche.edu/telecom">www.wiche.edu/telecom</a>
WGA	Western Governors' Association	<a href="http://www.westgov.org">www.westgov.org</a>
WICHE	Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education	<a href="http://www.wiche.edu">www.wiche.edu</a>
WIN	Western Institute of Nursing	<a href="http://www.ohsu.edu.son.win">www.ohsu.edu.son.win</a>

SHEEO Offices in the West, by State:

Alaska	ACPE	Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education	<a href="http://www.state.ak.us/acpe/acpe.html">www.state.ak.us/acpe/acpe.html</a>
	UAS	University of Alaska System	<a href="http://www.alaska.edu">www.alaska.edu</a>
Arizona	ABOR	Arizona Board of Regents	<a href="http://www.abor.asu.edu">www.abor.asu.edu</a>
California	CPEC	California Postsecondary Education Commission	<a href="http://www.cpec.ca.gov">www.cpec.ca.gov</a>
Colorado	CCHE	Colorado Commission on Higher Education	<a href="http://www.state.co.us/cche_dir/hechche.htm">www.state.co.us/cche_dir/hechche.htm</a>
Hawai'i	UH	University of Hawai'i	<a href="http://www.hawaii.edu">www.hawaii.edu</a>
Idaho	ISBE	Idaho State Board of Education	<a href="http://www.sde.state.id.us/osbe/board.htm">www.sde.state.id.us/osbe/board.htm</a>
Montana	MUS	Montana University System	<a href="http://www.montana.edu/wwwbor/docs/borpage.html">www.montana.edu/wwwbor/docs/borpage.html</a>
New Mexico	NMCHE	New Mexico Commission on Higher Education	<a href="http://www.nmche.org">www.nmche.org</a>
Nevada	UCCS	University & Community College System of Nevada	<a href="http://www.nevada.edu">www.nevada.edu</a>
North Dakota	NDUS	North Dakota University System	<a href="http://www.ndus.nodak.edu">www.ndus.nodak.edu</a>
Oregon	OUS	Oregon University System	<a href="http://www.ous.edu">www.ous.edu</a>
South Dakota	SDBOR	South Dakota Board of Regents	<a href="http://www.ris.sdbor.edu">www.ris.sdbor.edu</a>
Utah	USBR	Utah State Board of Regents	<a href="http://www.utahsbr.edu">www.utahsbr.edu</a>
Washington	HECB	Higher Education Coordinating Board	<a href="http://www.hecb.wa.gov">www.hecb.wa.gov</a>
Wyoming	WCCC	Wyoming Community College Commission	<a href="http://www.commission.wcc.edu">www.commission.wcc.edu</a>
	UW	University of Wyoming	<a href="http://www.uwyo.edu">www.uwyo.edu</a>