## Student Complaint Information by State and Agency

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Please note: Whenever possible this report used information provided by the state agency and originally through the no longer live SHEEO Survey. In some cases, email correspondence and web site reviews were also incorporated.

State	Agency Name	Link to and/or Information about Complaint Process- (for in-state complaints and activities outside of SARA)
Alabama	Alabama Commission on Higher Education - Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Planning ACCS Private School	Complaints for out-of-state institutions are referred to the ACCS Private School Licensure. Please see the ADPE link below. For in-state institutions, contacts are posted to the ACHE website at <a href="http://ache.edu/ACHE_Reports/Forms/NRI/federal-reg.pdf">http://ache.edu/ACHE_Reports/Forms/NRI/federal-reg.pdf</a> on Page 7 <a href="https://www.accs.edu/about-accs/private-school-licensure/complaints/">https://www.accs.edu/about-accs/private-school-licensure/complaints/</a>
	Licensing Division	
Alaska	Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education	https://acpe.alaska.gov/ConsumerProtection
American Samoa		unknown
Arizona	Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education	https://ppse.az.gov/complaint
Arkansas	Arkansas Department of Higher Education	https://www.adhe.edu/institutions/academic-affairs/institutional-certification-advisory-committee/grievance-form
	Arkansas State Board of Private Career Education	https://www.adhe.edu/private-career-education/students/
California	Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education	http://www.bppe.ca.gov/enforcement/complaint.shtml  *note currently only for institutions regulated by BPPE. https://oag.ca.gov/contact/consumer-complaint-against-business-or-company  *note that the CA AG Office may take complaints against any business but does not offer a process to act on complaints for the student's benefit.

Colorado	Colorado Department of Higher Education AND Private Occupational Schools	http://highered.colorado.gov/Academics/Complaints/default.html
Connecticut	The Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education	http://www.ctohe.org/StudentComplaints.shtml
Delaware	Delaware Department of Education	The Delaware Department of Education will investigate complaints. Such complaints must be in writing and verified by the signature of the person making the complaint. Oral, anonymous or unsigned complaints will not be investigated. Until the web site is functional, please write or call for more information. The Delaware Department of Education; Teacher and Administrator Quality; John W. Collette Resource Center; 35 Commerce Way; Dover, DE 19904. The Delaware Department of Education phone number is 302-857-3388.  No form found for Non-SARA Complaints.
District of Columbia	Education Licensure Commission	https://osse.dc.gov/service/higher-education-licensure-commission-helc-public-complaints
Federated States of Micronesia		unknown
Florida	Commission for Independent Education-Department of Education	http://www.fldoe.org/policy/cie/file-a-complaint.stml
Georgia	Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission	https://gnpec.georgia.gov/student-complaints
Guam		unknown
Hawaii	Hawaii Post- Secondary Education Authorization Program	http://cca.hawaii.gov/hpeap/student-complaint-process/
Idaho	Idaho State Board of Education	https://boardofed.idaho.gov/higher-education-private/private-colleges-degree-granting/student-complaint-procedures/
Illinois	Illinois Board of Higher Education	http://complaints.ibhe.org/

Indiana	Indiana Department of Workforce Development	https://www.in.gov/dwd/2731.htm
	Indiana Commission on Proprietary Education	https://www.in.gov/che/2744.htm
lowa	Iowa College Student Aid Commission	https://www.iowacollegeaid.gov/StudentComplaintForm
Kansas	Kansas Board of Regents	https://www.kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/private_out_of_state/complain_t_process
Kentucky	Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education	http://cpe.ky.gov/campuses/consumer_complaint.html
	Kentucky Commission on Proprietary Education	http://www.kcpe.ky.gov/
Louisiana	Louisiana Board of Regents	Students may contact the state AG's office. AG Office may take complaints against any business but does not offer a process to act on complaints for the student's benefit. <a href="https://www.ag.state.la.us/ConsumerDisputes">https://www.ag.state.la.us/ConsumerDisputes</a> No non-SARA complaint process.
	Proprietary Schools	https://www.regents.la.gov/assets/docs/2014/07/StudentComplaintProcedure.p
Maine	Maine Department of Education, Office of Higher Education Services	https://www.maine.gov/ag/consumer/complaints/complaint_form.shtml - AG's office - AG Office may take complaints against any business but does not offer a process to act on complaints for the student's benefit.  No posted non-SARA complaint process through the higher education agency for Maine institutions.
Maryland	Maryland Higher Education Commission	https://mhec.maryland.gov/institutions_training/Pages/acadaff/acadaffairsdepar tments.aspx
Massachusetts	Office of Private Occupational School Education	http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/government/oca-agencies/dpl-lp/schools/students/information-for-students.html
	Massachusetts Department of Higher Education	https://www.mass.edu/forstufam/complaints/complaints.asp

Michigan	Michigan	https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/Post-
	Department of	Secondary Student Complaints 498839 7.pdf
	Licensing and	
	Regulatory	
	Affairs	
Minnesota	Minnesota	http://www.ohe.state.mn.us/mPg.cfm?pageID=1078
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	Higher	
	Education	
Mississippi	Mississippi	http://www.mississippi.edu/mcca/student_complaint_process.asp
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	Accreditation	
	Commission on	http://www.sbcjc.cc.ms.us/pdfs/pg/PSComplaintForm.pdf
	Proprietary	ittp://www.sbcjc.cc.ms.us/puis/pg/F3complaintForm.pui
	School and	
	College	
Missouri	Registration Missouri	https://dhe.mo.gov/documents/POLICYONCOMPLAINTRESOLUTION-
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	Department of	<u>reviseddraft.pdf</u>
	Higher	
	Education	
Montana	Montana	http://www.mus.edu/MUS-statement-of-complaint-process.asp
	University	
	System,	
	Montana Board	
	of Regents	
Nebraska	Nebraska	https://www.education.ne.gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/PPCS_Complaint-
	Department of	<u>form.pdf</u>
	Education,	
	Private	
	Postsecondary	
	Career Schools	
	Nebraska	https://ccpe.nebraska.gov/student-complaints-against-postsecondary-institutions
	Coordinating	
	Commission for	
	Postsecondary	
	Education	
Nevada	Nevada	http://cpe.nv.gov/Students/Students Home/
	Commission on	
	Postsecondary	
	Education	
New	Department of	https://www.education.nh.gov/highered/compliance-allegation.htm
Hampshire	Education,	
	Division of	
	Higher	
	Education,	
	Higher	
	Education	
	Commission	

New Jersey	New Jersey	http://lwd.state.nj.us/labor/lwdhome/coei/teu.html
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	Department of	
	Labor and	
	Workforce	
	Development,	
	Center for	
	Occupational	
	Employment	
	Information	
	Office of the	http://www.state.nj.us/highereducation/OSHEComplaintInstructions.shtml
	Secretary of	
	Higher	
	Education	
New Mexico	New Mexico	http://www.hed.state.nm.us/students/hed-student-complaint-form.aspx
	Higher	
	Education	
	Department	
	Office of	http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/filing-complaint-about-
New York	College and	<u>college-or-university</u>
	University	
	Evaluation	
	Adult Career	http://www.acces.nysed.gov/bpss/student-rights
	and Continuing	
	Ed. Services	
North Carolina	The University	https://www.northcarolina.edu/complaints
	of North	
	Carolina Board	
	of Governors	
	The North	https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/proprietary-schools
	Carolina	
	Community	
	College System	
	(Office of	
	Proprietary	
	School	
	Services)	
North Dakota	North Dakota	https://www.nd.gov/cte/private-post-inst/
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	Career and	
	Technical	
	Education	
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Ohio	The Ohio Board	https://www.ohiohighered.org/students/complaints
	of Regents	hard the control of t
	Ohio State	http://scr.ohio.gov/ConsumerInformation/FilingaComplaint.aspx
	Board of	
	Career Colleges	
	and Schools	

Oklahoma	Oklahoma State Regents	https://www.okhighered.org/current-college-students/complaints.shtml
	for Higher Education	
	Oklahoma	https://www.okcareertech.org/about/state-agency/policies/policies-and-
	Board of Career and	disclaimers/comments-or-complaints-policy
	Technology Education	
	The Oklahoma	http://obpvs.ok.gov/students#studentforms
	Board of Private	
	Vocational	
	Schools	
Oregon	Office of	https://www.oregon.gov/highered/institutions-programs/private/Pages/private-
	Degree Authorization	postsecondary-complaints.aspx
	Department of	https://www.oregon.gov/highered/institutions-programs/private/Pages/private-
	Education Private and	postsecondary-complaints.aspx
	Career Schools Office	
Pennsylvania	Department of	https://www.education.pa.gov/Postsecondary-
	Education	Adult/College%20and%20Career%20Education/Pages/Students- Complaints.aspx#tab-1
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico	NONE LISTED - in English http://www.ce.pr.gov/
	Council on Education	Difficulty with google translate as well.
Republic of Palau		unknown
Republic of the Marshall Islands		unknown
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Board of	http://www.ribghe.org/students.htm
	Governors for	
	Higher Education	
South Carolina	South Carolina	http://www.che.sc.gov/Students,FamiliesMilitary/LearningAboutCollege/Consum
	Commission on Higher	<u>erInformation.aspx</u>
	Education	
South Dakota	Secretary of	https://consumer.sd.gov/complaintform.aspx
	State (South Dakota	
	Attorney	
Tennessee	General) Tennessee	https://www.tn.gov/thec/for-students-and-families/transcript-requests-and-
	Higher	institution-complaints.html
	Education Commission	

Texas	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board	http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/index.cfm?objectid=989FE9A0-2213-11E8- BC500050560100A9
U.S. Virgin Islands		Unknown
Utah	Utah Division of Consumer Protection	http://consumerprotection.utah.gov/complaints/index.html
Vermont	Vermont State Board of Education	https://education.vermont.gov/documents/postsecondary-program-complaint-resolution
Virginia	Private & Out- of-State Postsecondary Education, State Council of Higher Education for Virginia	http://schev.edu/index/students-and-parents/resources/student-complaints
Washington	Washington Student Achievement Council Washington Workforce Training and Educ. Coord. Board	https://www.wsac.wa.gov/student-complaints  http://www.wtb.wa.gov/PCS Complaints.asp
West Virginia	WV Higher Educ. Policy Commission	http://www.wvhepc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Student-Complaint- Process-revised.pdf
	WV Council for Community & Technical College Education	http://www.wvhepc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Student-Complaint-Process-revised.pdf
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Educational Approval Board	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Programs/EducationalApproval/Student.aspx
Wyoming	Wyoming Department of Education	https://edu.wyoming.gov/beyond-the-classroom/school-programs/private-school-licensing/

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