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WICHE COMMISSION

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Jack Warner, executive director, South Dakota Board of Regents

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## 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).

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EDUCAUSE  (An association fostering higher ed change via technology and information resources)  educause.edu
EPI  Educational Policy Institute  educationalpolicy.org
ETS  Educational Testing Service  ets.org
Excelencia  Excelencia in Education  edexcelencia.org
GHEE  Global Higher Education Exchange  ghee.org
HACU  Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities  hacu.net
HBLI  Hispanic Border Leadership Institute  asu.edu/educ/hbli
ICE  Internet Course Exchange (WICHE)  wiche.edu/ice
IHELP  Institute for Higher Education Leadership and Policy, California State University Sacramento  csus.edu/ihelp
IHEP  Institute for Higher Education Policy  ihep.org
IIE  Institute of International Education  iie.org
IPEDS  Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System  nces.ed.gov/ipeds
JBC  Joint Budget Committee  jff.org
JFF  Jobs for the Future  jff.org
McREL  Mid-continent Research for Education and Learning  mcrel.org
MHEC  Midwestern Higher Education Compact  mhec.org
MOA  Making Opportunity Affordable  makingopportunityaffordable.org
MSA/CHE  Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Higher Education  middlestates.org
NAAL  National Assessment of Adult Literacy  nces.ed.gov/naal
NACOL  North American Council for Online Learning  nacol.org
NACUBO  National Association of College and University Business Officers  nacubo.org
NAEP  National Assessment of Educational Progress  nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard
NAFEO  National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education  nafeo.org
NAFSA  (an association of international educators)  nafsa.org
NAICU  National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities  naicu.edu
NANSLO  North American Network of Science Labs Online  http://wiche.edu/nanslo
NASFAA  National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators  nasfaa.org
NASH  National Association of System Heads  nashonline.org
NASPA  National Association of Student Personnel Administrators  naspa.org
NASSGAP  National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs  nassgap.org
NCA-CASI  North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement  ncacche.org
NCAT  The National Center for Academic Transformation  thencat.org
NCCC  National Consortium for College Completion  n/a
NCHEMS  National Center for Higher Education Management Systems  nchems.org
NCLB  No Child Left Behind  ed.gov/nclb
NCPPHE  National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education  www.highereducation.org
NCPR  National Center for Postsecondary Research  postsecondaryresearch.org
NCSL  National Conference of State Legislatures  ncl.org
NEASC-CIHE  New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education  neasc.org
NEBHE  New England Board of Higher Education  nebhe.org
NGA  National Governors' Association  nga.org
NILOA  National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment  learningoutcomeassessment.org
NLA/SLA  New Leadership Alliance for Student Learning and Accountability  newleadershipalliance.org
NPEC  National Postsecondary Education Cooperative  nces.ed.gov/npec
NRHA  National Rural Health Association  nrharural.org
NSC  National Student Clearinghouse  studentclearinghouse.org
Pathways to College Network  pathwayscollegenet
NWCCU  Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities  www.nwccu.org
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