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Where are ECU's students?

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Works recognized present solutions that meet the needs of regulators, the institution and, most especially, students.

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WHY COMPLY?

- States maintain the authority to regulate out-of-state postsecondary institutions that offer or participate in activities located in their state.
- Knowing the **location** of students and institutional **activities** is step one in complying with state oversight:
 - State institution approval
 - Professional licensure program approval
 - Participation in reciprocity (SARA)
- Federal tie: Documenting 1) state approval(s) and 2) a process to determine the location of students

More on How it Works

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Where are our Students?

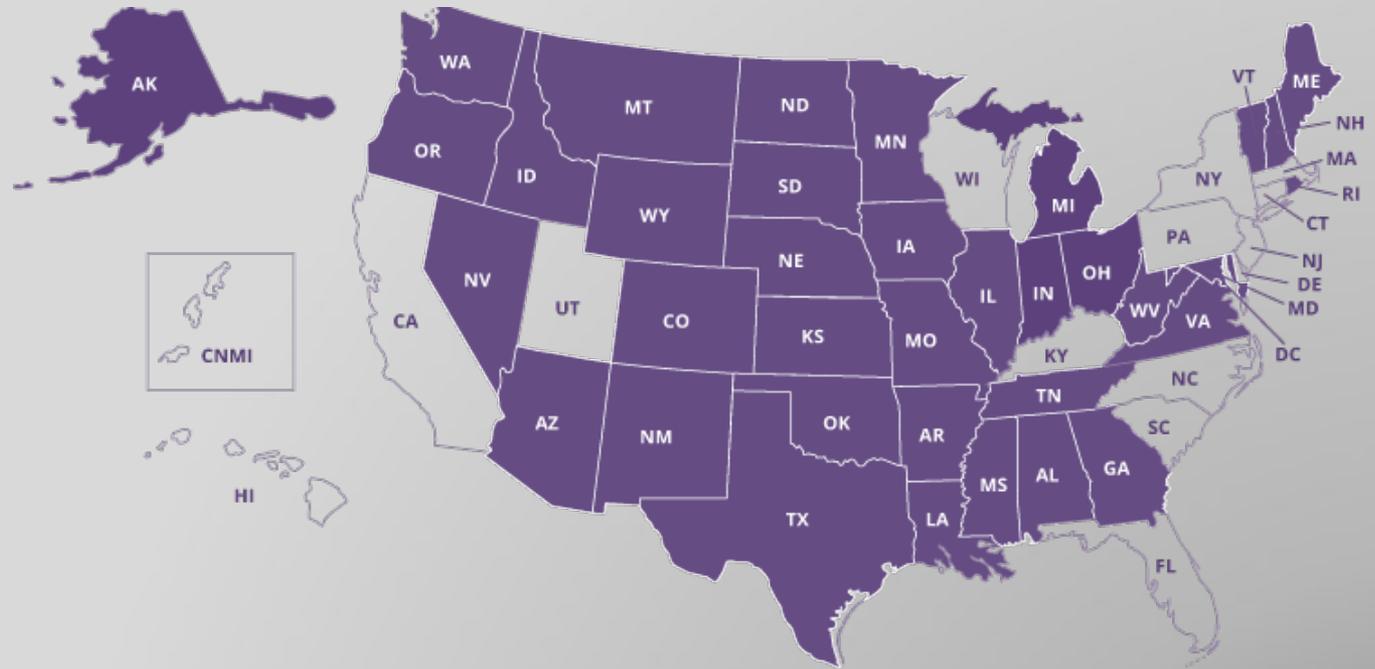


ECU at a Glance

- Four-year public institution
- 212 Undergraduate programs
- 69 Graduate programs
- 20 Doctoral programs
- 125 Online only degrees & certificates
- 28,798+ Student Population
 - 23,056 Undergraduate enrollment
 - 5,476 Graduate enrollment
 - 556 Dental & Medical Schools enrollment
- Students enrolled from all 100 NC counties
47 states and 99 countries
- 190,900+ alumni around the world



Where are our students?



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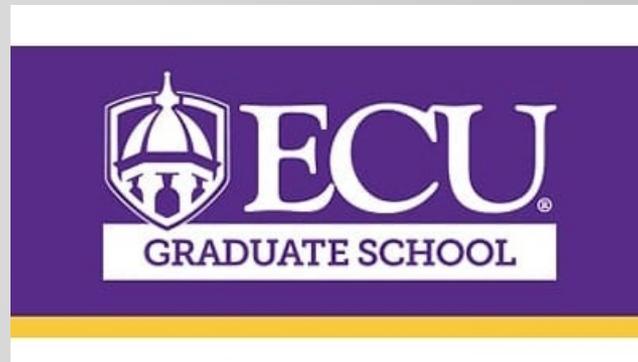
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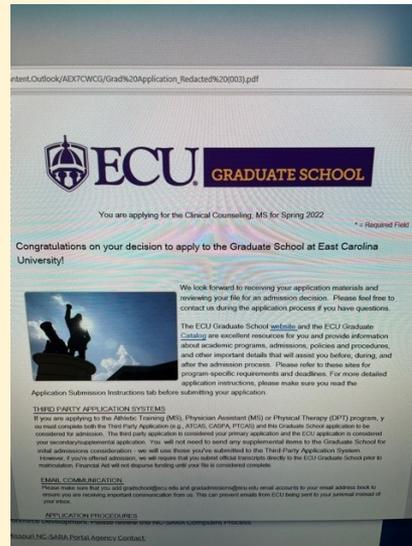
Why know where our students are?

- Department of Education regulations
- SARA reporting requirements
- Programmatic accreditations
- Professional Licensure notifications for programs leading to licensure/certification
- Possible adverse actions when relocating during a semester
- Determining COVID-19 “Hot Spots”

Enrollment & Registration ... it's where it all begins!



Our Process



A simple questions ... please list the zip code of your location during this semester”.

This is required of all students, every semester, every time they register for classes.

This field is a required to be answered, and the student cannot proceed to the next question without completing this field.

The zip codes are verified as being an actual zip code



Why this is important?

- When the student clicks on this question, a pop-up box is displayed with a clear and concise explanation as why this information is needed.
- This pop-up box also provides information for the student should they relocate during the semester.
- A Banner report is generated indicating where ECU students are located.
- This reports allows the programs to ensure students enrolled in a program leading to licensure/or certification meets educational requirements where the student is located.

Seamless process

ECU has simplified the process of determining the location of our students.

One question that **must** be answered at the time of admission and every time they register for classes.

Students cannot opt out of the question.

By making this question a required field, ECU's reporting to SACS, SARA & programmatic accreditors has become much easier.



Thank you for allowing me to share how
ECU locates our students.

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