State Authorization Progress
From October 2012 to beyond

In October 2012, NYU could only confirm compliance with State Authorization requirements in New York.

Between October 2013 and April 2013, NYU completed the licensure process in ten additional states and two states for distance education offerings only.

Between April 2013 and October 2013, NYU completed the licensure process in eighteen additional states. Currently NYU is in the process of securing licensure for authorization in four states.

Eighteen states remain for NYU, Nevada and Maryland’s approval process is currently complete for distance education offerings but not for any other activity (such as internships and targeted marketing) at this time.

Funding has been allocated from the Provost’s Office for compliance in every state.

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NYU is currently in the process of completing state authorization/licensure applications to four states: Texas, North Carolina, Florida and Massachusetts. The details are below:

**Texas:** Based on NYU’s regional accreditation with the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, NYU will apply for a Certificate of Authorization. This certificate will require on-going reporting obligations and take between 6-9 months to secure.

**North Carolina:** Based on non-classroom experience activity for both traditional and distance education programs, NYU will seek licensure. A survey link has already been circulated to get a comprehensive list of every degree that NYU offers that has a required non-classroom experience. This list will be sent to North Carolina for review and then the state will release the official standards to NYU. This process will take between 9-12 months to complete.

**Florida:** Based on recruitment activity, NYU will register two individual agents working for the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. This process will take between 2-3 months to complete.

**Massachusetts:** Based on non-classroom experience activity for both traditional and distance education programs, NYU has begun the process to notify Massachusetts of the extent of its activity to determine if licensure is necessary.

Looking forward, once Texas, North Carolina, Florida and Massachusetts’s authorization processes are underway, the following states will take priority, based on NYU enrollment activity: Maryland, Washington, Ohio and Tennessee.

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**Exemption**

Some state regulations allow for institutions that meet specific criteria to apply for exemption instead of authorization. Many reasons may be considered acceptable for exemption. Below are some items that some states have listed as qualifying grounds for exemption from authorization in their state, but not all are applicable to NYU.

- A program operated by the United States
- Institutions that only offer avocational or recreational coursework
- A regionally or nationally accredited institution (accreditor must be recognized by the U.S. Department of Education)
- An institution offering online education that does not have a physical presence in the state
- An institution that was formed by an act of legislature
- A religious institution
- A non-profit institution
- A public institution

Some states require application and fees for exemption and some states require basic paperwork. Based on state standards, NYU has secured exemption in Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, North Dakota, and Nebraska. NYU plans to seek exemption in Alaska and Oregon.
State Authorization Website Changes

In an attempt to make the Non-New York State Authorization and Distance Education website more user friendly, you will see the following changes implemented when we return from winter break (January 2nd):

- Maps and charts will no longer be hidden in collapsible panels
  - Simple charts and map images will now be visible without leaving the page or needing to open an additional document in another program
- Anchors to aid in navigation
  - Added to the right navigation panel of the page will be anchors, enabling you to navigate directly to your area of interest without scrolling through masses of text
- Individual state status reference
  - If exemption or compliance has been completed in a specific state, you will now be able to select the state name and view the approval document or letter
- Return to top
  - The page is content heavy due to the complex nature of the material, now you will be able to return to the top of the page with the click on a single button instead of scrolling

If there are additional website changes that you would like to see and feel would help you navigate the Non-New York State Authorization and Distance Education website better, please send them to Brianna.bates@nyu.edu.