UIC Background and Accreditation

Mission, History, and Leadership
To learn more about the University of Illinois Chicago’s mission, history, and leadership, please visit the UIC website.

Accreditation
Accreditation is the recognition that an institution maintains standards requisite for its graduates to gain admission to other reputable institutions of higher learning or to achieve credentials for professional practice. The goal of accreditation is to ensure that education provided by institutions of higher education meets acceptable levels of quality.

There are two basic types of educational accreditation, one identified as “institutional” and the other referred to as “specialized” or “programmatic.” Institutional accreditation normally applies to an entire institution, indicating that each of an institution’s parts is contributing to the achievement of the institution’s objectives. Specialized accreditation normally applies to the evaluation of programs, departments, or schools which usually are parts of a total collegiate or other postsecondary institution. The unit accredited may be as large as a college or school within a university or as small as a curriculum within a discipline. Most of the specialized accrediting agencies review units within a postsecondary institution which is accredited by one of the regional accrediting commissions.

The University of Illinois Chicago is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), one of the institutional accrediting commissions in the United States.

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500
Chicago, Illinois 60604-1411
(312) 263-0456
info@hlcommission.org
https://www.hlcommission.org

The Higher Learning Commission is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The next comprehensive evaluation for reaffirmation of accreditation of UIC is scheduled for 2023-2024. Verification of accreditation status is available in the Office of the Chancellor (312) 413-3350 and at the HLC website.

The undergraduate academic degree programs described in this catalog have been approved by:

The Illinois Board of Higher Education
1 North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 333
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1377
(217) 782-2551, (888) 261-2881 (TTY)
General Information: info@ibhe.org, http://www.ibhe.org

In addition to institutional accreditation, academic programs in specific disciplines and certain individual programs offered at UIC’s main campus, branch campuses, and additional locations are accredited by the following specialized accrediting agencies:

College of Applied Health Sciences
BS in Health Information Management
Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM)
200 East Randolph Street, Suite 5100
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 235-3255
info@cahiim.org
http://www.cahiim.org

College of Business Administration
BS programs in Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Human Resource Management, Information and Decision Sciences, Management, Marketing, Real Estate, and Bachelor of Business Administration.
AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business
777 South Harbour Island Boulevard, Suite 750
Tampa, Florida 33602
(813) 769-6500
http://www.aacsb.edu

College of Engineering
BS programs in Biomedical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Engineering Physics, Industrial Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET).

The BS program in Computer Science is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET.

College of Nursing
BS in Nursing
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
655 K Street, NW, Suite 750
Washington, D.C. 20001
(202) 887-6791
http://www.aacnnursing.org/CCNE
College of Pharmacy

Doctor of Pharmacy

Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)
190 South LaSalle Street, Suite 2850
Chicago, Illinois 60603-4810
(312) 664-3575
csinfo@acpe-accredit.org (info@acpe-accredit.org)
http://www.acpe-accredit.org

School of Public Health

BA in Public Health, BS in Public Health

Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)
1010 Wayne Avenue, Suite 220
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(202) 789-1050
http://www.ceph.org

State Teacher Licensure

BA in Urban Education, BA in the Teaching of English, BA in the Teaching of French, BA in the Teaching of German, BA in the Teaching of Spanish, BA in the Teaching of History, BS in the Teaching of Math, BS in the Teaching of Physics (suspended)

The curricula for the preparation of elementary and secondary school teachers as listed in this catalog have been approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education, the Illinois State Board of Education, and the university.

State Authorization for Online Programs and Courses

UIC must comply with state regulations concerning the delivery of online courses and programs to out-of-state students. UIC was approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education to participate in the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), which is intended to ease the workload of institutions seeking authorization to deliver online programs and courses in other states.

While students from most states may enroll in online programs at UIC, there are some important limitations. Out-of-state students interested in enrolling in a UIC online program or online courses should check the State Authorization webpage for more information about the states in which UIC is approved to offer distance education programs.

Students interested in online programs may contact UIC Extended Campus at onlineinfo@uic.edu or (312) 355-0423 for more program information.

Professional Licensure Disclosures

The University of Illinois Chicago provides public licensure disclosures pursuant to 34 CFR 668.43(a)(5)(v) for educational programs designed to meet or advertised as meeting requirements for professional licensure or certification.

These public licensure disclosures also address requirements found in 38 C.F.R. Part 21 relating to veterans’ education benefits.

Disclosures by College