

# STATE AGENCIES

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## Illinois State Agencies

### **The Illinois Board of Higher Education**

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### **State of North Carolina**

Degree program(s) of study offered by Trinity International University have been declared exempt from the requirements for licensure under the provisions of North Carolina General Statutes (G.S.) 116-15(d) for exemption from licensure with respect to religious education. Exemption from licensure is not based upon any assessment of program quality under established licensing standards.

### **Approval to offer online education in other states**

Trinity International University's online and distance education programs are authorized or exempt from authorization in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) is a voluntary agreement among its member states and U.S. territories that establishes comparable national standards for interstate offering of postsecondary distance education courses and programs. SARA is intended to make it easier for students to take online courses offered in other states, to give them confidence that programs in other states are properly authorized, and to improve the quality of online education.

The National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA (<https://nc-sara.org/>)) oversees SARA and operates under the authority of four regional education compacts. Forty-nine states (all except California) currently participate in NC-SARA, including Illinois, which is a member of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact.

Trinity International University was approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education (<https://www.ibhe.org/sara.html>) to participate in SARA in October 2015.

Trinity International University is allowed to offer online and distance education to students residing in California by means of an agreement between the state of California and the U.S. Department of Education on August 2, 2019.