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The Office for Civil Rights (OCR) is providing on this webpage lists, or hyperlinks to lists maintained by other offices in the Department of Education, of institutions of higher education enrolling populations with significant percentages of minority students, or that serve certain populations of minority students under various programs created by Congress. OCR provides these lists solely as a service to the public.

None of the lists are necessarily a complete listing of all colleges and universities that might fall within a particular category of minority institution. Federal agencies and others with an interest in colleges or universities not appearing on these lists should obtain or confirm information regarding their minority student populations, and/or their eligibility for a specific grant, contract, or benefit program, directly with those institutions.

For further assistance, please contact Ms. Connie Butler, with OCR, toll free at (888) 863-6515.

Minority Institutions	Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)	Alaska Native-Serving Institutions
High Hispanic Enrollment Hispanic-Serving Institutions	Indian Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities	Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions

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HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (HBCUs). This is a list of the colleges and universities maintained by the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Federal agencies and others with an interest in an HBCU, whether or not that institution appears on this list, should obtain or confirm information, including its eligibility for a specific grant, contract, or benefit program, directly with that institution.

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MINORITY INSTITUTIONS. This list of minority institutions was compiled based on the definition of "minority institution" found in § 365(3) the Higher Education Act (HEA) (20 U.S.C. 1067k(3)), and on Fall 2004 enrollment data from the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) collected by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). NCES has determined that each of the colleges and universities on this list reported an enrollment of a single minority group, as the term "minority" is defined under § 365(2) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1067k(2)), or combination of those minority groups, that exceeded 50 percent of its total enrollment. For the purposes of this list, "minority" is defined as American Indian, Alaska Native, Black (not of Hispanic origin) and Hispanic. [1]

This list does not include Asians or Pacific Islanders, because IPEDS enrollment data does not disaggregate Pacific Islanders from Asians. Under §365(2) of the HEA, Pacific Islanders also are considered to be minorities for purposes of the Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP). [2] Asians, on the other hand, are not considered to be a minority under this program, because studies show that they are not underrepresented in science and engineering. [3] Because this is the only definition of "minority institution" in the HEA, and is used as a reference for several federal programs, the attached list provides a solid base for those seeking to identify minority institutions. However, there may be a limited number of additional institutions of higher education that enroll a sufficient number of Pacific Islanders to raise the college or university's total minority enrollment above 50 percent. In addition, there are definitions of "minority student" applicable to other programs under the HEA. For example, the definition of "minority student" for purposes of the Strengthening Institutions Program is a "student who is Alaska Native, American Indian, Asian-American, Black (African-American), Hispanic American, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander" (34 C.F.R. § 607.7). Thus an institution may have an enrollment of Asian-American students that would be counted in its minority student population, and therefore be eligible to apply for the Strengthening Institutions Program, although that institution would not be found on this list as a "minority institution". Federal agencies and others interested in institutions enrolling significant numbers of minority students may find this list of minority institutions helpful, but it is only one source of information to assist you in determining the eligibility of an institution for a particular federal grant, contract, or benefit program.

This list also excludes institutions that did not report Fall 2004 enrollment data for the IPEDS (or did not do so on a timely basis); for-profit schools, because the definition of "minority institution" under the HEA does not include for-profit schools; and institutions that do not have "nationally recognized" accreditation, as required by 20 U.S.C. 1067k(1) and 20 U.S.C. 1001(a)(5). Federal agencies and others with an interest in colleges or universities not appearing on this list should obtain or confirm information regarding their minority student populations, and/or their eligibility for a specific grant, contract, or benefit program, directly with those institutions.

The HEA's definitions of "minority" and "minority institutions" under the MSEIP are in Section 365(2) and (3) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 1067k(2) and (3), respectively. These definitions can be found on-line at the website of the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), at ([HEA Definition](#)). [Note to the reader: You may find the PDF version particularly helpful in accessing the definitions.]

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NOTE-1 The IPEDS defines Hispanic as a "person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central, or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race." The Higher Education Act's definition of minority defines Hispanic as "including persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, and Central or South American origin."

NOTE-2 The federal government's Office of Management and Budget has defined the term "Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander" to include Native Hawaiians, Guamanians, Samoans, and persons from the following groups reported in the 1990 census: Carolinian, Fijian, Kosraean, Melanesian, Micronesian, Northern Mariana Islander, Palauan, Papua New Guinean, Ponapean (Pohnpelan), Polynesian, Solomon Islander, Tahitian, Tarawa Islander, Tokelauan, Tongan, Trukese (Chuukese), and Yapese. This definition is found in the preamble to the "Revisions to the Standards for the Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity," 62 FR 58782, 58786, 58789 (October 30, 1997).

NOTE-3 20 U.S.C. § 1067k(5); see also the National Science Foundation study at <http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/seind04/c3/c3s1.htm>.

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ALASKA NATIVE-SERVING INSTITUTIONS. This is a list of the colleges and universities to which the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) recently has given grants as Alaska Native-serving institutions under Title III of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). To be eligible for these grants, each institution attested that it met the HEA's definition of Alaska Native-serving institutions and self-certified that it met the conditions of eligibility.

The list does not include colleges and universities that did not apply for, or which did not receive, competitive Department grants for Alaska Native-serving institutions. Thus, the list is not necessarily a complete list of colleges and universities meeting the HEA's definition of Alaska Native-serving institutions. Federal agencies and others with an interest in colleges or universities not appearing on this list should obtain or confirm information regarding their enrollment of Alaska Native students, and/or their eligibility for a specific grant, contract, or benefit program, directly with those institutions.

The HEA's definition of "Alaska Native-serving institution" is found in Section 317(b)(2) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)(2). This can be found online at the website of the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education ([HEA Definition](#)). [Note to the reader: You may find the PDF version particularly helpful in accessing the definition.]

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NATIVE HAWAIIAN-SERVING INSTITUTIONS. This is a list of the colleges and universities to which the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) recently has given grants as Native Hawaiian-serving institutions under Title III of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). To be eligible for grants under Title III, each college and university attested that it met the HEA's definition of "Native Hawaiian-serving institution" and self-certified that it met the conditions of eligibility.

The list does not include colleges and universities that did not apply for, or that did not receive, competitive Department grants for Native Hawaiian-serving institutions. Thus, the list is not necessarily a complete list of colleges and universities meeting the HEA's definition of Native Hawaiian-serving institutions. Federal agencies and others with an interest in colleges or universities not appearing on this list should obtain or confirm information regarding their enrollment of Native Hawaiian students, and/or their eligibility for a specific grant, contract, or benefit program, directly with those institutions.

The HEA's definition of "Native Hawaiian-serving institution" can be found in Section 317(b)(4) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)(4). This can be found on-line at the website of the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education ([HEA Definition](#)). [Note to the reader: You may find the PDF version particularly helpful in accessing the definition.]

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INDIAN TRIBALLY CONTROLLED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES. This is a list of the colleges and universities maintained by the White House Initiative on Tribal Colleges and Universities. In adding colleges or universities to this list, the White House Initiative relies on the approval process of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium.

In accordance with Executive Order No. 13270, "Tribal Colleges and Universities," as extended by Executive Order No. 13316, the list also includes all of the colleges cited in section 532 of the Equity in Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 301 note), any other institution that qualifies for funding under the Tribally Controlled Community College Assistance Act of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.), and DinÉ College, which is authorized in the Navajo Community College Assistance Act of 1978, Public Law 95-471, title II (25 U.S.C. 640a note). Federal agencies and others with an interest in colleges or universities not appearing on this list should obtain or confirm information regarding the enrollment of American Indian students at those institutions, and/or their eligibility for a specific grant, contract, or benefit program, directly with those institutions.

This statutory definition of Indian tribal colleges and universities, to which the Higher Education Act refers at §316(b)(3), 20 U.S.C. 1059c(b)(3), is in section 2(a)(4) of the Tribally Controlled College and University Assistance Act of 1978, 25 U.S.C. 1801(a)(4). This can be found on-line at the website of the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education ([HEA Definition](#)). [Note to the reader: You may find the PDF version particularly helpful in accessing the definition.]

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INSTITUTIONS WITH HIGH HISPANIC ENROLLMENT: This list includes the institutions of higher education whose full time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of undergraduate students is at least 25 percent Hispanic, according to Fall 2004 enrollment data that the institutions self-reported in the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) survey conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). NCES determined FTE enrollment by calculating that approximately three part-time students are equivalent to one full-time student. The FTE numbers should be considered only as an approximation since IPEDS does not collect part-time credit hour information. This list includes only non-profit public and private institutions of higher education.

Minimum enrollment numbers may be only one factor in determining the eligibility of an institution with a high Hispanic enrollment for a particular federal grant, contract, or benefit program. For example, the Title V program under the Higher Education Act includes other requirements for designating an institution as a Hispanic-serving institution. The institutions on this list may not meet these other requirements and may not be eligible to participate in the Title V program, or other grant, contract, or benefit program administered by the Department or another federal agency. Parties interested in an institution on this list should ensure that the institution meets all criteria for an applicable grant, contract, or benefit program.

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HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTIONS. This is a list of the colleges and universities to which the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) recently has given grants, as Hispanic-serving institutions, under the Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) program authorized by Title V of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), 20 U.S.C. §§1101-1103g. In order to be eligible for grants under the HSI program, each college and university attested that it met the HEA's definition of an Hispanic-serving institution and self-certified that it met the conditions of eligibility.

The list does not include colleges and universities that did not apply for, or that did not receive, competitive Department grants under the HSI Program. Thus, the list is not necessarily a complete list of colleges and universities meeting the HEA's definition of "Hispanic-serving institution." Federal agencies and others with an interest in colleges or universities not appearing on this list should obtain or confirm information regarding their enrollment of Hispanic students, and/or their eligibility for a specific grant, contract, or benefit program, directly with those institutions.

The HEA's definition of "Hispanic-serving institution" is in Section 502(a)(5) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 1101a(a)(5). This can be found on-line at the website of the Office of Postsecondary Education ([HEA Definition](#)). [Note to the reader: You may find the PDF version particularly helpful in accessing the definition.]

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