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lowans have access to postsecondary instruction at 237 locations throughout the state where lowa degree and certificate-granting colleges, universities, and schools provide face-to-face interaction between students and faculty. In December, 2009, the lowa College Student Aid Commission research staff, along with representatives of the sectors of higher education, assembled a list of the locations where higher education instruction is provided in lowa. The study showed that, in addition to the 70 main campuses, there are 130 off-site/branch facilities and 22 transient locations. These include public meeting rooms where out-of-state institutions offer face-face contact with lowa undergraduate and graduate students. Fall, 2008 enrollment reports suggest that 220,000 students studied, at least partially, at the lowa locations, with another 68,000 online students at two for-profit universities. Most of these online students are located out of state.

Regent universities provide classroom instruction at 15 off-campus/branch locations in addition to providing instruction at the three home campuses in Ames, Iowa City, and Cedar Falls. Several of the Regent off-campus locations are at community colleges. Community colleges have 15 main campuses, and 45 off-campus/branch locations, for a total of 60 sites. Iowa private, non-profit colleges and universities have 35 main campuses, plus 52 off-campus/branch locations, for a total of 87 sites. Iowa's for-profit colleges and universities operate four main campus locations and five branches, for a total of nine locations. The newest for-profit college, Waldorf College, was acquired by Columbia Southern University of Ocean Beach, Alabama, and operates from a single location in Forest City. Iowans may also study at 26 barber and cosmetology colleges.

Course offerings at the 237 locations cover the spectrum of business, education, art, sciences, general education, and career preparation to name a few. Many facilities at community colleges are also used by four-year institutions to provide bachelor's and graduate programs. In some ways the finding is counter-intuitive, because on-line enrollment is rapidly growing at the national level. A report by the Sloan Consortium, which advocates for online learning, stated that 3.9 million students enrolled in at least one online class in 2007, with more than a 12% growth in online enrollments between 2006 and 2007.

College and university officials suggest that there continues to be a number of programs that are best learned when an instructor is present with the students. Medical school programs, machine operations, auto mechanics, and welding are examples of training programs where educators believe it is essential for an

instructor to be present with the students. The advantages of face-to-face learning continue to extend into the traditional classrooms, such as education, arts, sciences and business. Even with the classrooms available, many lowa faculty members are blending the face-to-face learning experience with on-line materials and interactive exercises that can be completed at any time, day or night.

The lowa College Student Aid Commission registers out-of-state and newly created institutions seeking permission to operate in lowa. The registration is governed by lowa Code Chapter 261B. The Commission also registers instructional schools under lowa Code Sections 714.17 through 714.22. Instructional schools provide a variety of non-degree training programs that include: real estate license instruction, computer classes, massage therapy training, flight training, welding instruction, automotive repair training, and drivers training. There are 112 instructional schools with registered home office locations. Actual instruction may take place at any location that is convenient for students. The number of organizations registered under this section changes frequently as additional instructional providers come forward and meet the Code's bonding requirement.

Table 1 summarizes the face-to-face educational opportunities in Iowa. The maps that follow provide a perspective of the wide distribution of face-to-face learning opportunities across the state of Iowa. Although all 326 locations are represented, the level of detail and the multiple use of a single facility, result in overlapping points. For example, a community college main campus location may be used by several four-year institutions. As a result, the map may show several dots plotted on one point. A complete list of the facilities is available from the Commission. The maps are as follows:

- All Postsecondary Education Providers,
- Regent Universities On-Campus and Off-Campus Locations,
- Non-Profit Colleges and Universities On-Campus and Off-Campus Locations,
- Community Colleges on-Campus and Off-Campus Locations,
- For-Profit Colleges On-Campus and Off-Campus Locations,
- Barber and Cosmetology Colleges Locations.
- Out-of-State Colleges and Universities Locations in Iowa.

For additional information on the on-and off-campus locations of Iowa colleges and universities, contact Dr. Keith Greiner, Research Director/Legislative Liaison, Iowa College Student Aid Commission, 200 10th Street, Fourth Floor, Des Moines, IA 50309, 1-(877)-272-4456.

Table 1 Iowa Postsecondary Education Providers Locations in Iowa

Iowa Colleges and Universities, Public, Private, Cosmetology,
Public, Private, Cosmetology, Barber
Institutions Registered under Chapter 261B
Instructional Schools Registered under Chapter 714

	Off-Site/		Transient	
Sector	Branch	Main	Location	Total
Regents Universities	15	3	0	18
Non-Profit Colleges and Universities	52	35	0	87
Community Colleges	45	15	0	60
For-Profit Colleges and Universities	5	4	0	9
Barber and Cosmetology Colleges	0	26	0	26
Out-of-State Registered under Chapter 261B	13	0	22	35
Radiologic Technology	0	2	0	2
Total Postsecondary Education (Excluding Chapter 714)	130	85	22	237
Registered Under Chapter 714	0	112	0	112
Grand Total	130	197	22	349

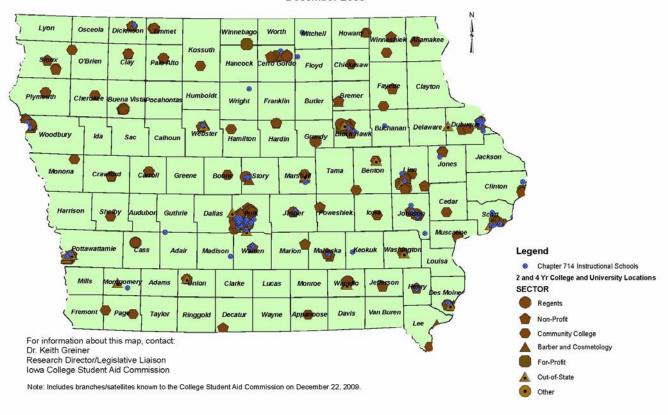
The term "Off-Site/Branch" facilities may include a location with limited, or no, full-time staff, a location where classes are held at a building owned by some other organization, or a staffed branch operated by the reporting institution. Locations were self-identified by school, college and university staff. The term does not include locations where classes are conducted on the ICN.

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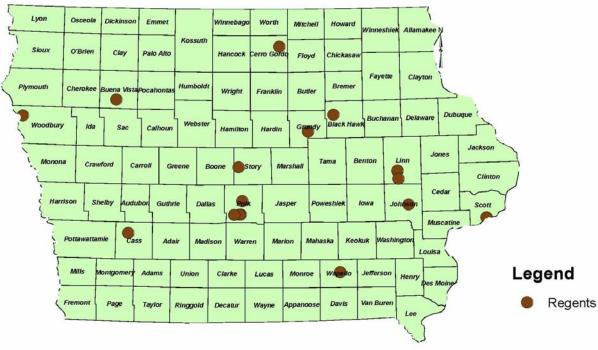
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Iowa Regent Universities On-Campus and Off-Campus Locations

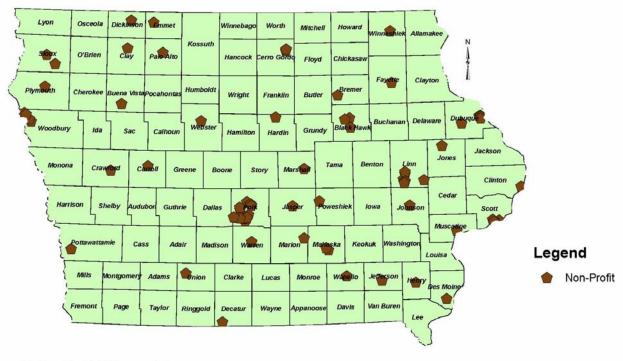
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Iowa Non-Profit Colleges and Universities On-Campus and Off-Campus Locations

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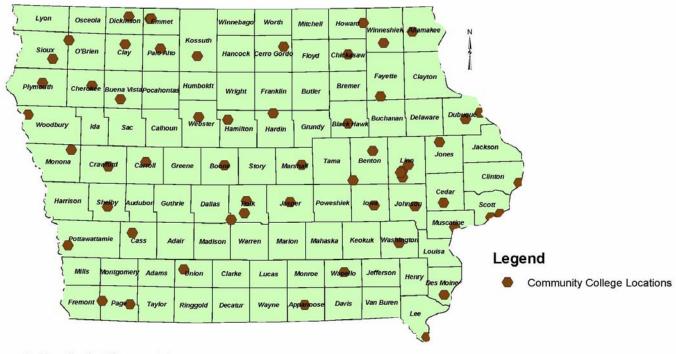
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Iowa Community Colleges On-Campus and Off-Campus Locations

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Iowa For-Profit Colleges and Universities On-Campus and Off-Campus Locations

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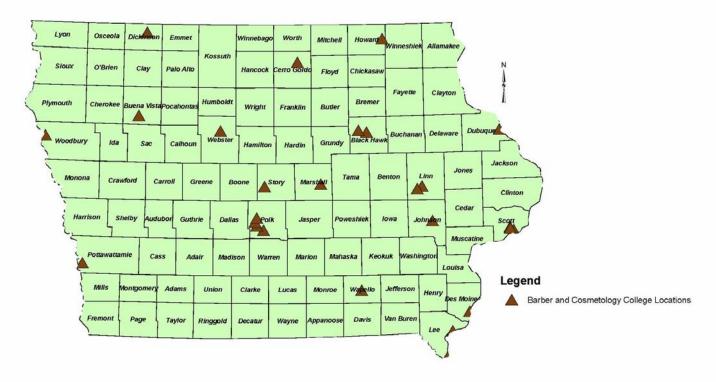


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Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Colleges Locations in Iowa

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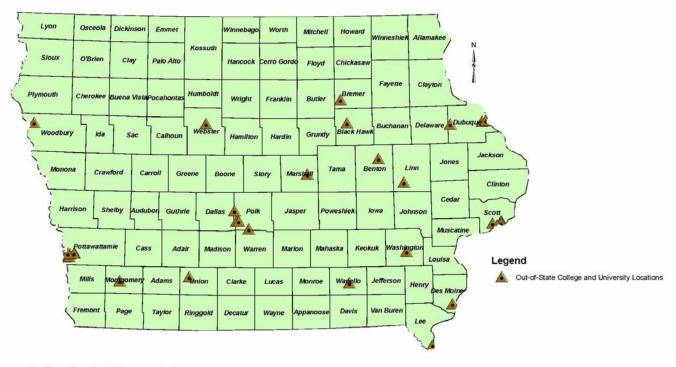
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Out-of-State Colleges and Universities Locations in Iowa

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