



Postsecondary Governance Structures

Other Postsecondary System and Multi-Campus Boards

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This resource provides a comprehensive summary of the various entities that comprise postsecondary governance ecosystems in each state and the District of Columbia. It also:

• Focuses on and provides in-depth information about statewide coordinating boards/agencies and governing boards. If statewide boards do not exist, then information is provided for major systemwide coordinating and governing boards.

- Includes general information about other state higher education entities, such as administrative/service offices, financial aid offices and advisory boards.
- Lists other postsecondary systemwide governing boards, most multi-campus institutional boards and membership organizations.

The term public two-year institutions also may include technical colleges. This resource does not include information related to setting tuition rates, administering funding formulas or allocating funds. The state profile information is based primarily on statutes, codes and state and postsecondary system board/agency policies. To the extent possible, Education Commission of the States reached out to state and system officials to verify its information.

STATE	ENTITY NAME	ENTITY FUNCTION	TYPE OF INSTITUTIONS	GENERAL NOTES
Alabama	Board of Trustees for University of Alabama System	Governing	Public four-year	
Alabama	Alabama Community College Board of Trustees	Governing	Public two-year	
Alaska	Not applicable			
Arizona	Not applicable			
Arkansas	Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	

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Arkansas	Arkansas State University Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	
California	Not applicable			
Colorado	University of Colorado Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Colorado	Board of Governors of the Colorado State University System	Governing	Public four-year	
Colorado	State Board of Community Colleges and Occupational Education (Colorado)	Governing	Public two-year	
Connecticut	University of Connecticut Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	
Delaware	Not applicable			
District of Columbia	Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	
Florida	Not applicable			
Georgia	Not applicable			
Hawaii	Not applicable			
Idaho	Not applicable			
Illinois	University of Illinois Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	
Illinois	Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	

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Illinois	Illinois Community College Board	Coordinating	Public two-year	
Indiana	Indiana University Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	
Indiana	Purdue University System Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	
Indiana	Ivy Tech Community College State Board of Trustees	Governing	Public two-year	
lowa	Not applicable			
Kansas	Not applicable			
Kentucky	Kentucky Community and Technical College System Board of Regents	Governing	Public two-year	
Louisiana	Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System	Governing	Public four-year	Institutions include professional schools and an Agricultural Center.
Louisiana	Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College (Louisiana)	Governing	Public four-year, public two-year and other (e.g., Independent/non-profit, proprietary, online or specialty)	Institutions include professional schools and an Agricultural Center.
Louisiana	Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors	Governing	Public four-year, public two-year and other (e.g., Independent/non-profit, proprietary, online or specialty)	

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Louisiana	Louisiana Community and Technical College System Board of Supervisors	Governing	Public two-year	
Maine	Not applicable			
Maryland	Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland	Governing	Public four-year	
Massachusetts	University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	
Michigan	University of Michigan Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Minnesota	University of Minnesota Board of Regents (Other)	Governing	Public four-year	
Mississippi	Not applicable			
Missouri	Board of Curators of the University of Missouri	Governing	Public four-year	
Montana	Not applicable			
Nebraska	Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska	Governing	Public four-year	
Nebraska	Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges	Governing	Public four-year	
Nevada	Not applicable			
New Hampshire	Not applicable			
New Jersey	Not applicable			

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New Mexico	New Mexico State University Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	
New Mexico	Eastern New Mexico University Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	
New Mexico	University of New Mexico Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	
New York	Not applicable			
North Carolina	Not applicable			
North Dakota	Not applicable			
Ohio	Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University	Governing	Public four-year	
Ohio	Ohio University Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	
Oklahoma	Board of Regents of the Regional University System of Oklahoma	Governing	Public four-year	
Oklahoma	University of Oklahoma Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Oklahoma	Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	
Oregon	Not applicable			Several of Oregon's universities have multiple locations.

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Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State University Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	
Rhode Island	Not applicable			
South Carolina	South Carolina State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education	Governing	Public two-year	
South Dakota	Not applicable			
Tennessee	Board of Trustees of the University of Tennessee	Governing	Public four-year	
Tennessee	Tennessee Board of Regents	Governing	Public two-year	
Texas	University of Texas System Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Texas	Texas A&M University System Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Texas	University of Northern Texas System Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Texas	Texas Tech University System Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Texas	University of Houston System Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Texas	Texas State Technical College System Board of Regents	Governing	Public two-year	

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Texas	Board of Regents for the Texas State University System	Governing	Public four-year and public two-year	
Texas	Texas Community College Governing Boards	Governing	Public two-year	Texas has 50 community college districts that are governed by local boards and several have multiple campuses. The Texas Association of Community College's webpage includes a list of all the community college districts by region.
Utah	Not applicable			
Vermont	Not applicable			
Virginia	Virginia State Board for Community Colleges	Governing	Public two-year	
Washington	Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges	Coordinating	Public two-year	
Washington	University of Washington Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
Washington	Washington State University Board of Regents	Governing	Public four-year	
West Virginia	Not applicable			
Wisconsin	Not applicable			
Wyoming	University of Wyoming Board of Trustees	Governing	Public four-year	