

ROSEMONT COLLEGE

State Authorization

Rosemont College is a SARA-approved institution through the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, and a member in good standing with the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA).

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. Distance education, for the purpose of SARA, is defined as instruction offered by any means where the student and faculty member are in separate physical locations. It includes, but is not limited to, online, virtual, and correspondence courses or programs.

NOTE: For purposes of SARA, distance education also includes a limited number of group activities conducted for short periods on the ground in states other than Pennsylvania, including supervised field experiences for students such as field trips, practica, student teaching, clinicals, and internships.

SARA is intended to make it easier for students to take distance education courses and/or programs offered by postsecondary institutions that are based in a state other than the state where a student is physically located. The student's physical location is determined by where the student participates in the distance education activity, regardless of whether or not it is the student's legal state of residence. Such cases may include military assignments, temporary employment relocation, incarceration, etc.

SARA policy is intended to be consistent with federal law and is therefore subject to change based on federal rulemaking. For more information on SARA and the policies and procedures set forth by the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), please visit <http://www.nc-sara.org>.

Student Complaints

Student complaints against an institution operating under NC-SARA go first through the institution's own procedures. Out-of-State students who file complaints or appeals should follow procedures outlined in the Rosemont College's academic catalog. If institutional procedures have been completed and the situation is not resolved, then the student may proceed to the State Portal Entity to complete a written complaint.

- A list of NC-SARA State Portal Entity Contacts is available through the NC-SARA webpage.