

Distance Learning Education - State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. Ch. 39.85, et. al, the State of Wisconsin is a member of the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) through the Midwestern Higher Education Compact which regulates the manner in which participating institutions may offer distance learning education to students who reside in other states.

The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire is a participating institution in MSARA. The terms and conditions of SARA can be found at <http://nc-sara.org/content/sara-policies-and-standards>. If a student has a complaint that involves distance learning education offered under the terms and conditions of SARA, the student must file a complaint with the institution first to seek resolution. For students enrolled in distance education through the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, any such complaints must be filed following the policy and procedures outlined at the following link: <http://www.uwec.edu/DOS/policies/grievances.htm>. If no resolution is reached, then the student may file a complaint with the Wisconsin Distance Learning Authorization Board (DLAB) through the following State Authorization Reciprocity Complaint Process at the following link: <https://www.wisconsin.edu/student-complaints/> or by email to afgp@uwsa.edu.

For purposes of this process, a complaint shall be defined as a formal assertion in writing that the terms of this agreement, or of laws, standards or regulations incorporated by the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements Policies and Standards have been violated by the institution operating under the terms of SARA.

Additional information can be found at <http://www.heab.state.wi.us/DLAB/faq.html>.