SARA is COMING TO UTAH!
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Areas Covered by SARA

- Enrolling students from other states in online or distance-education programs.
- Placing students in clinical, practicum, internships, or other field experiences outside of Utah.
- Employing residents of other states as remote staff or faculty.
- Requiring students to take proctored exams at locations outside of Utah.
- General recruiting, advertising, and marketing.

Areas NOT covered by SARA

- Approval by professional licensing boards—we must still research individual state requirements for programs in licensed fields (nursing, social work, medicine, education, etc.). SARA does not supersede professional requirements imposed by such boards.
- Building or maintaining a physical location in another state (whether for academic or administrative purposes).
- Full-scale residency programs or short out-of-state courses or seminars that include more than 20 classroom hours.

36 STATES HAVE JOINED SARA
• Participation in SARA does not remove the University’s obligation to track the locations of our students and our out-of-state educational activities. Instead, to participate in SARA we must have a formal, organized process of tracking and identifying out-of-state students.

• Yearly reports must be submitted to NC-SARA regarding annual enrollments by state, as well as student consumer complaints that may have been filed.

• State Authorization questions will remain complex, as SARA address some (but not all) of the inefficiencies and cost of maintaining compliant with other states. Departments and staff should not assume that all activities they engage in within a SARA state are covered by the agreement.

• The SA coordinator will still seek information regarding program curriculum, enrollment, field placements, recruiting, and other matters related to authorization.

• Additional states are anticipated to join in 2016, including New York, North Carolina, and Kentucky.

For More Information:

The State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement Homepage:

http://nc-sara.org/

University of Utah State Authorization Page:

http://stateauthorization.utah.edu/

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