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Argosy University (www.argosy.edu) provides graduate and undergraduate degree programs in various fields including clinical psychology, counseling, education, business, and the health sciences. The Art Institutes system of schools (www.artinstitutes.edu) offer various degree and non-degree programs, including master's, bachelor's, associate's, and non-degree programs in the areas of design, media arts, fashion, and culinary arts. Brown Mackie College system of schools (www.brownmackie.edu) offer bachelor's degree, associate's degree, and diploma programs in health sciences, business, information technology, legal studies, and design technologies. South University (www.southuniversity.edu) offers graduate and undergraduate degree programs in various fields including business, legal studies, information technology, and health sciences fields. Program offerings and credential level vary by school.

EDMC has provided career-oriented education for over 40 years. Faculty members are not only skilled instructors, but also trained professionals in their fields. Many faculty members have extensive industry experience as well as standard academic qualifications.

Argosy University

Argosy University (www.argosy.edu), with 19 campus locations in 13 states, is a private academic institution dedicated to providing undergraduate and graduate degrees to students in a supportive learning environment where academic knowledge is enriched by the acquisition of interpersonal skills vital to success. With one of the largest communities of graduate students in the nation, Argosy University offers doctoral and master's degree programs in psychology, business, counseling, and education. The institution also offers bachelor's degree programs in psychology and business, and associate's degree programs in various health sciences fields. Argosy University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association (30 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602; www.ncahlc.org).

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The Art Institutes

The Art Institutes (www.artinstitutes.edu), a system of more than 45 education institutions located throughout North America, is an important source of design, media arts, fashion and culinary arts professionals.

The Art Institutes schools offer a broad range of programs including: Audio Production, Computer Animation, Culinary Arts, Culinary Management, Fashion Design, Fashion Marketing, Graphic Design, Industrial Design Technology, Web Design & Interactive Media, Interior Design, Media Arts & Animation, Photography, Restaurant Management, and Video Production. Not all programs are offered at all schools.

Brown Mackie College

With 25 school locations, the Brown Mackie College family of schools (www.brownmackie.edu) offers bachelor's degree, associate's degree, certificate and diploma programs in health sciences, business, information technology, design, and legal studies. Its academic programs include Medical Assisting, Practical Nursing, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Physical Therapist Assistant, Business Management, Accounting Technology, Computer Applications, Computer Programming & Applications, Electronics, Paralegal, Criminal Justice, Audio/Video Production, and Computer-Aided Design & Drafting Technology.

South University

South University (www.southuniversity.edu) is an eight-campus institution that has used a combination of a diverse curriculum, an educational delivery that focuses on the student, and a teaching philosophy that blends the academic with the practical to meet the needs of a wide variety of students. Campuses are located in Savannah, GA; Montgomery, AL; Columbia, SC; Tampa, FL; Richmond, VA ; West Palm Beach, FL; Virginia Beach, VA; and Novi, MI.

On all eight campuses, South University is divided into the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business, College of Health Professions, College of Nursing and the School of Pharmacy. In 2003, South University became the only proprietary institution accredited at the doctoral level by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The South University School of Pharmacy in Savannah, offering the Doctor of Pharmacy degree, is the first proprietary pharmacy school to be granted accredited status by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education.

Western State University College of Law

Western State University College of Law (www.wsulaw.edu) was founded in 1966 and is the oldest law school in Orange County with more than 10,000 alumni. Located in the heart of Southern California, Western State University offers both full- and part-time programs, taught by a dedicated and highly motivated faculty who serve as scholars and mentors both inside and outside of the classroom.

EDMC schools strive to work closely with employers to design programs that meet specific industry needs. Each EDMC school is licensed by the state in which it is located and is authorized to confer its respective doctoral, master's, bachelor's, associate's and certificate level programs.

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