

# SHEEO State Authorization Inventory

## Oklahoma

**Please note:** For purposes of this survey, the terms “authorize” and “authorization” are used generically to include approve, certify, license, regulate, recognize, empower, or similar actions relative to the operation, provision, or availability of postsecondary education in your state.

**The following agency did not respond to the survey. This information was provided courtesy of the law firm Dow Lohnes PLLC and was current as of September 2011.**

### 1. Agency and Contact Information

- a. Agency Name: **The Oklahoma Board of Private Schools**
  - o Description:  
The Oklahoma Board of Private Schools licenses the operation of private (non-degree) vocational schools. Institutions that establish, conduct, operate, or maintain a vocational school or solicit in the state must be licensed.
  - o Contact Information:  
Dennis Rea  
Director  
The Oklahoma Board of Private Schools  
405-528-3370  
[drea@obpvs.ok.gov](mailto:drea@obpvs.ok.gov)
  - o Please state who institutions should contact if they have questions about your agency’s authority, policies, or application process?  
Same as above.
- b. Links:  
Main page: [http://www.ok.gov/agency.php?agency\\_id=130](http://www.ok.gov/agency.php?agency_id=130)
- c. The following agencies also have responsibility for authorization in the state and were also requested to complete a survey.  
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education  
Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education
- d. If the division of responsibility among these agencies is not clear, please explain.

**For Complaint Process Information:**

Oklahoma State Board of Private Vocational Schools  
3700 Classen Boulevard, Suite 250  
Oklahoma City, OK 73118-2864

**Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General**

Consumer Protection Unit

Attn: Investigative Analyst

313 NE 21st Street

Oklahoma City, OK 73105

<http://www.oag.state.ok.us/oagweb.nsf/ccomp.html>

**Staff Guidance and Comment from Dow Lohnes:**

Staff guidance confirmed that a strictly online program does not need approval, but clinical experiences and internships taking place in the state require licensure, as well as recruiting in the state done by private vocational institutions.

**Licensure Process Overview:**

Contact the Board to obtain the application and then submit the application, along with supporting documents and the initial approval fee of \$1,200.

**Average Approval Period:**

2 months.

**Legislative & Regulatory Developments:**

None.