## New Disclosure Requirements for Academic Programs that lead to Professional Licensure

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## What's changed

- National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) established to develop an effective and efficient reciprocal state-level authorization process and standards for the interstate offering of postsecondary education. Covers online and distance learning.
  - UConn is an NC-SARA member and 'authorized' in all 50 states
- 2019 Federal Regulations released November 1, 2019 and new rules about general and specific disclosures for academic programs that lead to professional licensure
  - U.S. Department of Education will be auditing professional licensure disclosure compliance as part of institutional program reviews
- The student as 'customer'
  - "students that enroll in programs that are designed to lead or marketed as leading to professional licensure by an institution have an expectation that the institution will honor its agreement by providing a program that will actually allow a student to be eligible for licensure in a state where the student is located"

## What does this mean?

- 1. We need to **develop a university-wide list of all existing programs** that lead to professional certification.
- We will then work with academic departments to develop appropriate general and specific disclosures and communication protocols (e.g. webpages, marketing materials, SLATE/admissions) consistent with the regulations.
- 3. Academic programs that lead to professional licensure will need to be more precise in their conveyances in order to attract the best and the brightest students.



4. Securing program eligibility for licensure in other states is a decision and an activity that will continue to be done at the department/school level.

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