



## **COLORADO SPRINGS Colleges and Universities\***

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\* Enrollment numbers are from Fall 2010 and are local enrollment numbers only



## **Colleges and Universities in the Pikes Peak Region**

The Pikes Peak region is home to many colleges and universities, both private and state-supported, providing high quality academic and professional programs.

The local population takes full advantage of the opportunities to learn new skills, expand their understanding and prepare for new careers. Many students pursuing advanced study in the Pikes Peak region don't fit the typical "college student" profile. As a result, programs often cater to the needs of adults working full time. "Lifelong learning" characterizes the involvement of the local community with the region's institutions of higher learning.

Colorado ranks fourth among the 50 states in the percentage of citizens with college degrees. As of 2000, over one-third of Coloradoans over age 25 have a degree. Over 30,000 people graduate from Colorado colleges and universities every year.



**COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT  
Short Version Fall 2011**

<b>Post-Secondary School</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cert/Assoc</b>	<b>UnderGrad</b>	<b>Graduate</b>
Colorado Christian University 685 Citadel Drive East, Suite 225, CSC 80909 www.ccu.edu	491	n/a	491	n/a
Colorado College 14 East Cache La Poudre St. Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.coloradocollege.edu	2,040	n/a	2,040	n/a
Colorado State University – Pueblo 229 East Pikes Peak Avenue, CSC 80903 colostate-pueblo.edu/	175	n/a	175	n/a
Colorado Technical University 4435 North Chestnut Street, CSC 80907 www.coloradotech.edu	2,091	n/a	2,065	26
DeVry University 225 South Union Boulevard, CSC 80910 www.dtc.edu	35	5	30	n/a
Everest College 1815 Jet Wing Drive, CSC 80916 www.trade-schools.net/everest-college/default.asp	500	500	n/a	n/a
Intellitec College 2315 East Pikes Peak Avenue, CSC 80909 http://www.intelliteccollege.com/index.html	587	587	n/a	n/a
Intellitec Medical Institute 2345 North Academy Boulevard, CSC 80909 http://www.intelliteccollege.com/index.html	434	434	n/a	n/a
National American University 2577 North Chelton Road, CSC 80909 www.nationalcollege.edu	285	285	n/a	n/a
Nazarene Bible College 1111 Academy Park Loop, CSC 80910 www.nbc.edu	957	n/a	957	n/a
Pikes Peak Community College (Main Campus) 5675 South Academy Boulevard, CSC 80910 www.ppcc.ccoes.edu	14,789	14,789	n/a	n/a



Post-Secondary School	Total	Cert/Assoc	UnderGrad	Graduate
Regis University 7450 Campus Drive, Suite 100, CSC 80920 www.regis.edu	1,400	n/a	1,400	n/a
Troy State University Army Education Ctr, Bldg 1117, CSC 80913 www.troyst.edu, http://tsuwr.troyst.edu/ft_carson/index.html	40	n/a	n/a	40
United States Air Force Academy 2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 318 AFA Colorado, CO 80840 www.usafa.af.mil	4,461	n/a	4,461	n/a
University of Colorado at Colorado Springs 1420 Austin Bluffs Parkway, CSC, CO 80940-5025 www.uccs.edu	8,892	n/a	7,346	1,546
University of Northern Colorado 7222 Commerce Ctr Dr, Ste 103, CSC 80919 www.unco.edu	50	n/a	n/a	50
University of Phoenix 5475 Tech Center Drive, CSC 80919 www.phoenix.edu	594	n/a	323	271
University of the Rockies 555 E. Pikes Peak Avenue, #108, CSC 80903 www.rockies.edu	146	n/a	n/a	146
Webster University 1485 Kelly Johnson Blvd, Ste 300, CSC 80920 www.webster.edu	300	n/a	n/a	300
Totals	38,267	16,600	19,409	2,258

**Source:** School Offices of Admissions and Records, Fall 2010



## **Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences at UCCS**

<http://www.uccs.edu/~bethel/index.htm/>

Type: 4 year, public, nonprofit

Approximate Enrollment: 470

Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences, founded in 1904, is a college within UCCS offering curriculum leading to undergraduate and graduate degrees in nursing and health science. Beth-El places student nurses in a variety of hospitals, mental health facilities, and other agencies in the region for their clinical learning experiences. Total enrollment is approximately 500 students with 20 full- and 18 part-time faculty.

The bachelor of nursing and health science programs require four academic years to complete. The college offers programs for registered nurses to complete a bachelor's degree with advanced placement. The health science baccalaureate program offers an option in emergency health that will prepare the graduate for professional practice in emergency health services. Beth-El College also offers a program of advanced study in neonatal nursing, adult health nursing and family nursing leading to a master of science degree. MSN courses prepare the graduate for expanded clinical practice roles as clinical specialists or nurse practitioners. The college offers a four-year Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, a RN to BSN bridge program, and a four-year Bachelor of Science in Health Care Sciences degree with options in Nutrition; Sports, Health and Wellness; Health Care Management; Forensic Health Science and completion degrees in Emergency Medical Services and Radiation Technology. Additionally, Beth-El offers a Masters of Science in Nursing degree with different specialties available and several certificate options for undergraduate and graduate students

UCCS is accredited and approved by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Beth-El is accredited by the National League of Nursing and the Colorado State Board of Nursing.



## **Colorado Christian University**

www.ccu.edu

Type: 4 year, private

Approximate Enrollment: 491

Colorado Christian University (CCU) was founded in 1914 in Denver. Currently, it operates with campuses in Lakewood, Morrison, Colorado Springs and Grand Junction. CCU offers 25 undergraduate majors and two graduate majors.

The Colorado Springs campus of the university offers an associates degree in Biblical Studies; bachelor of science degrees in Organizational Management (OM) including Human Resources (OMHR) and Christian Leadership (OMCL) as well as Computer Information Systems Management (CISM). The OM and CISM curricula are accelerated degree completion programs designed to meet the needs of the working adult by holding classes one night a week, transferring previous college credit and assessing life experience for college credit. The OM program can be completed in 54 weeks and the CISM program may be completed in 64 weeks. All courses are held seminar style with the focus on interactive learning. CCU also offers Master of Arts degrees in Counseling, Curriculum Instruction and Licensing Program for Educators (LPE).

Colorado Christian University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and by American Association of Bible Colleges.



## **Colorado College**

[www.coloradocollege.edu](http://www.coloradocollege.edu)

Type: 4 year, private

Approximate Enrollment: 2,040

Colorado College is a distinctive, independent, co-educational liberal arts college that attracts an international student body, ranked in the top 30 liberal arts in the nation. Established in 1874, the college combines excellent teaching in the arts and sciences with a unique academic calendar called the Block Plan.

The Block Plan divides the academic year into 8-1/2 segments, or “blocks,” of 3-1/2 weeks each. Under this plan, students take one principal course at a time and faculties teach only one. This schedule equalizes the importance of all courses and allows students to give full and intense attention to each course they take.

The college enrolls approximately 1,900 students from 50 states and 29 foreign countries. Bachelor’s degrees may be earned in 33 fields, including economics, mathematics and political science. Pre-professional programs are offered in the health professions, engineering and law. A Master of Arts in teaching program is available to recent college graduates as well as experienced teachers. The college serves as a cultural resource for the community by offering a wide array of lectures, music and dance performances, dramatic productions and art exhibits. The Colorado College Symposium, a three-day event in January, brings the community and the college together to explore a single topic through multiple perspectives.

Colorado College is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.



### **Colorado State University - Pueblo**

<http://www.colostate-pueblo.edu/>

Type: 4 year, state supported — Main campus is in Pueblo

Approximate Enrollment: 175

The University of Southern Colorado (main campus in Pueblo) provides accelerated degree completion opportunities designed for the working adult. The courses are offered in nine-week terms with five terms per year. Typically, courses are scheduled one or two nights per week, or Friday or Saturday. Some of the more popular offerings are the intensive weekend “mini-courses,” designed for the individuals unable to take the nine-week courses or who wish to add additional credits to their nine-week schedule.

In Colorado Springs, USC currently offers degree programs consisting of the Bachelor of Science in Social Science, Sociology, Sociology/Criminology, Social Work, and Business are presently available, as well as some lower division general education courses.

Courses are currently held at five convenient locations in the city including at our Citadel Center, Pikes Peak Community College, Fort Carson, and Peterson Air Force Base and are open to all members of the Colorado Springs community. USC is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

### **Colorado Technical University**

<http://www.coloradotech.edu>

Type: 4 year, private

Approximate Enrollment: 2,065 undergraduate students  
26 graduate students

Colorado Tech is a fully accredited private four-year institution educating students for careers in Colorado’s high-tech job market. Colorado Tech offers associate of science, bachelors of science, as well as professional certifications in five primary areas: Business and Management, Computer Science and Information Technology, Criminal Justice, Engineering and Visual Communications. Non-degree study and credit for life, military and work experience may be available.

Colorado Technical University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.



### **DeVry University**

[www.dtc.edu](http://www.dtc.edu)

Type: 4 year, private

Local enrollment: 35

Denver Technical College at Colorado Springs is a branch campus of the college in Denver, established in 1945. The college offers undergraduate degrees in Business Administration, Computer Information Systems, Electronics and Computer Technology, Information Technology, Network Systems Administration and Technical Management.

### **Everest College**

[www.trade-schools.net/everest-college/default.asp](http://www.trade-schools.net/everest-college/default.asp)

Type: 2 year, private

Approximate Enrollment: 500

Everest College offers career-related diploma and degree programs designed for individuals seeking to build new careers or enhance career opportunities with their current employers.

Programs offered at Everest College include Associate of Applied Science Degrees in Accounting, Business Administration, Computer Information Specialist, Computer Information Science, Criminal Justice, Homeland Security Specialist, Medical Assisting, Medical Insurance Billing/Coding and Network Administration. Advisory boards, made up of leaders working in these fields, serve to evaluate each program to ensure the training offered will meet current and future needs of local employers. In addition, Everest College serves local companies by providing industry training and professional development courses for their employees.

Everest College is accredited by the Accrediting Council of Independent Colleges and Schools.



### **IntelliTec College**

<http://www.intellitecollege.com/index.html>

Type: Private, technical

Approximate Enrollment: 587

The institute offers associate's degrees in Occupational Studies, with emphasis on electronics technology, environmental engineering, drafting and interior design, and major appliance repair. IntelliTec College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology (ACCSCT).

The school, established in 1965, has 25 instructors and 518 students. Day and evening classes are offered. TTI is approved for the training of veterans.

### **IntelliTec Medical Institute**

<http://www.intellitecollege.com/index.html>

Type: Private, technical

Approximate Enrollment: 434

PPI was established in 1966. It currently has 301 students in the Medical Assistant, Dental Assistant, Expanded Duty Dental Assistant, Pharmacy Technician, Medical Administrative Assistant, Medical Laboratory Technician, Medical Insurance Billing & Coding, Limited Scope Radiography, Massage Therapist programs.

PPI Health Careers School offers day and evening classes. It is an accredited member of the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES) and is approved for the training of veterans.



### **National American University**

<http://www.national.edu/ColoradoSpringsCampus/Index.htm>

Type: 2 year, 4 year private

Approximate Enrollment: 285

National College is a private, co-educational college offering two- and four-year curricula in high-demand career fields. National's focus is on the "nontraditional" student.

The school offers a bachelor of science degree in Accounting, Applied Management, Applied Management emphasis in Public Safety, Business Administration, Business Administration emphasis in Accounting, Financial Manager, Information Systems, International Business, Management or Marketing, General Education Studies, Health Care, Health Care Management, Information Security Professional, Information Technology, Information Technology emphasis in MIS, Network Administration/Microsoft or Software Development, Medical Administrative Assistant, Medical Assisting and Software Development Professional.

Accreditation is by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the Accrediting Commission of the Association of Independent Colleges and Schools.

### **Nazarene Bible College**

[www.nbc.edu](http://www.nbc.edu)

Type: 4 year, co-educational Bible College

Approximate Enrollment: 957

The Nazarene Bible College is a religious education institution with more than 500 students enrolled. Their mission is to prepare men and women for ministry, with alumni now serve in all fifty states and sixty-five countries

A Bachelor degree Arts in Ministry (B.A.Min.) and Associate of Arts in Lay Ministries (A.A.L.M.) are available.

Nazarene Bible College is accredited by the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges



## **Pikes Peak Community College**

<http://www.ppcc.ccooes.edu>

Type: 2 year, state supported

Approximate Enrollment: 14,789

Pikes Peak Community College (PPCC) is a comprehensive two-year college that offers associate's degrees and certificates in nearly 100 programs. Programs provide freshman- and sophomore-level college courses for transfer to four-year colleges and universities, occupational training for employment in technical and vocational fields, courses to upgrade present occupation skills, courses for personal growth and remedial instruction.

PPCC has several locations including the Centennial Campus, the Downtown Studio, the Rampart Campus, Commerce Center, and Woodland Park, Cripple Creek/Victor and Elizabeth centers. Classes are also offered at local military bases and at the Colorado Springs Senior Center. Business and industry training is provided by Corporate, Workforce and Economic Development (CWED), a division of PPCC.

PPCC offers specialized education and customized training programs for local businesses and industry. In response to the needs of local businesses, for example, PPCC created the Integrated Circuit Fabrication Institute. This program prepares students for careers in microelectronics. Programs in Customer Service Technology, Machining Technology, Welding Technology and Office Information Technology were also developed to serve the needs of local employers.

Since 1991, the Commerce Center facility of PPCC has provided corporate education and training to 35,000 individuals employed by 150 local companies. The first of its kind in the nation, Commerce Center was designed through the cooperative efforts of local business and industry, and PPCC.

PPCC is accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Colorado State Board of Nursing and American Dental Assistants Association.



### **Regis University**

[www.regis.edu](http://www.regis.edu)

Type: 4 year, private

Approximate Local Enrollment: 1,400 undergraduates

Regis University is a Jesuit institution founded in Denver in 1887, now with seven different campuses. Both Colorado Springs campuses, at Campus Drive and Peterson Field AFB, are for students over the age of 23 who possess significant college, work or life experience. Many classes are held at night and on weekends to better accommodate the students' work schedules. Online courses are also available. This accelerated program divides its academic year into five-week and eight-week terms, allowing students to progress as rapidly as desired.

The Colorado Springs campus offers Professional Studies with 10+ undergraduate majors, Masters of Business Administration, Masters of Science in Computer Information Systems and Masters of Science in Management

Regis is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

### **United States Air Force Academy**

[www.usafa.af.mil](http://www.usafa.af.mil)

Type: 4 year, military

Approximate Enrollment: 4,461 Cadets

The U.S. Air Force Academy traces its history to 1954 when President Eisenhower signed legislation authorizing its creation. The Pikes Peak region was chosen for many reasons including abundant land, good flying weather and a supportive community.

Cadets are admitted by appointment. Only 10 percent of applicants are admitted. Cadets complete four years of studies leading to a Bachelor of Science degree. Emphasis is given to academics, military training, athletic conditioning and spiritual and ethical development. Academics include classes in the basic sciences, engineering, the humanities and the social sciences. Cadets can specialize in any of 31 academic majors. Graduates incur an active duty commitment of five years more, after completion of flight training.



## **University of Colorado at Colorado Springs (UCCS)**

www.uccs.edu

Type: 4 year (plus graduate programs), state supported

Approximate Enrollment: 7,346 undergraduates  
1,546 graduate students

One of four campuses in the University of Colorado system, UCCS was founded in 1965 and is prepared to meet the higher education demands of the community for the 21st century. The university offers undergraduate degrees in college of Letters, Arts and Sciences; Business; Engineering and Applied Science; and Nursing and Health Science; as well as pre-professional degrees in medicine and related disciplines. Numerous graduate degrees are also offered, as well as PhDs in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering.

Located on 420 acres in north-central Colorado Springs, the campus is developed on about 90 acres. Modern residence halls house approximately 600 students. The \$28 million El Pomar Center, which includes the Kraemer Family Library, adds seating for 1,300, a television studio, media center, teleconferencing rooms, students multimedia development facilities, computing services and computer labs, and high-speed Internet connections.

This is a new and exciting time as UCCS rolls out a unique new "family" of degrees. Like a Bachelor of Science (BS) or Bachelor of Arts(BA), the BI is not a single degree but a family of related majors, including BI in Business Administration, BI in Computer Science, BI In Computer Science: Security, BI in Electrical Engineering and BI in Game Design And Development. The BI has a major field of study, just like a BA or BS, but it also has a common core in innovation and entrepreneurship including a unique long-term multi-disciplinary team experience. It is a Bachelor's degree, from an accredited university, and the initial demand as measured by a survey of Colorado companies show the BI students will have a significant advantage in the market.

The university boasts one of a select number of accredited business colleges nationally whose undergraduates and graduate students are exposed to an international curriculum. A state-of-the-art engineering building features some of the best laboratory facilities in the region, including a clean room for microelectronics research, a VSLI design lab, CAD lab, and Communications and Signal Processing lab. The university's anechoic chamber is used to study microwave systems.



## **University of Colorado at Colorado Springs (UCCS) continued**

Traditional classroom instruction is supplemented by a variety of options including CU-Net, an interactive instructional television network that broadcasts courses to homes or businesses in the community. MBA and MPA programs taught by UCCS faculty are broadcast internationally by Mind Extension University. The university also offers extensive continuing education programs and an active ROTC program that has been nationally recognized for its outstanding officers and cadets.

The Gallery of Contemporary Art is also housed on the campus and features exhibits as well as special programs for the education and enjoyment of the Colorado Springs community. All CU-Colorado Springs programs are accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Additional Accreditation has been earned by the:

- College of Business and Administration
- College of Engineering and Applied Science
- College of Letters, Art and Sciences
- School of Education
- Graduate School of Public Affairs

## **University of Northern Colorado**

[www.unco.edu](http://www.unco.edu)

Type: 4 year, state supported — Main campus is in Greeley

Approximate Enrollment: 50

UNC offers four complete graduate degree programs in the Colorado Springs area:

- MA in Community / School Counseling
- MA in School Psychology, EdS

Courses are offered at Ft. Carson, Peterson AFB and the U.S. Air Force Academy at the invitation of military officials. A full range of student services are provided through the local field office. Courses are scheduled on a weekend format to accommodate the working adult. UNC faculty and occasionally select graduate lecturers from other higher education institutions, public school systems, education service agencies and appropriate professional organizations teach the courses. UNC is a member of and accredited by North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.



## **University of Phoenix**

[www.phoenix.edu](http://www.phoenix.edu)

Type: 4 year, private

Approximate Enrollment: 323 undergraduates  
271 graduate students

The Colorado Springs campus of the University of Phoenix offers evening classes specifically designed for working adults in pursuit of undergraduate or graduate degrees. The concentrated-study courses meet one night a week for five- or six-week sessions. Students generally take only one course at a time. The University of Phoenix offers bachelor's and master's degrees in Business, Criminal Justice, Education, Human Services, Nursing/Healthcare and Technology

The University of Phoenix enrolls adults who are employed full time. The faculty are practicing professionals who teach in the evenings. The curriculum emphasizes the development of leadership and interpersonal skills through small class environments and study groups. The University of Phoenix is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.



### **Webster University**

<http://www.webster.edu/coloradosprings/>

Type: Graduate, private

Approximate Enrollment: 300 (Graduate students only)

The graduate programs at Webster University in Colorado Springs are designed for early- and mid-career professionals who require a strong academic background with built-in flexibility to accommodate busy schedules. The educational programs offered by Webster build on existing talents and skills and provide professional development and academic credentials for advancement in a present career, a successful change of career or the launching of a new career. Webster University offers master's degree programs in Business, Management, Human Resources Development, Computer Resources and Information Management, Procurement and Acquisitions Management, and Space Systems Management. These are 36 semester-hour courses of study. A 39 semester-hour masters of science in Space Operations is also offered.

Webster University also offers a Master of Business Administration (MBA), which is designed for students who want a quantitative orientation to their graduate work at the master's level. It consists of 21 hours of the MBA curriculum, an area of emphasis and electives for a total of 48 hours unless pre-requisite courses must be taken.

The graduate programs at Webster are open to all eligible military and civilian personnel. Nine-week semesters begin in January, March, June, August and October. New students may begin their programs at any of these times. Courses usually meet one evening per week for four hours. Classes are held at the Center for Graduate and Professional Studies in northern Colorado Springs and at the Peterson Air Force Base Education Center.

Webster University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.