

# **Annual Report Portal**

# Instructions

# 2025

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### 1. Annual Reporting Basics

Per the <u>CEA Policies and Procedures</u>, <u>Section 8.5.1</u>, all accredited programs and institutions must submit annual reports and sustaining fees throughout the periods of both initial and reaccreditation. The annual report consists of three components:

- 1. Annual review
- 2. Financial reporting
- 3. Sustaining fees

The due date for the annual report is **February 15, 2025**.

CEA will host a webinar on December 11, 2024, at 11:00 AM (Eastern) to review the Annual Report package requirements for accredited sites. Anyone with access to the site record can see all parts of the site record. The webinar recording will be published at <u>www.cea-accredit.org/resources</u> as well as dates and registration information for additional training sessions.

### 2. 2025 Annual Report Forms and Process

Accredited sites will submit the Annual Report via the CEA Annual Report Portal (CARP – <u>https://carp.cea-accredit.org</u>). Screenshot of dashboard below.

Dashboard	
Section Name	Status
Contact Information	Incomplete
Fees and Finances	
Sustaining Fees	Incomplete
Financial Reporting	Incomplete
Annual Review	
Please complete the Sustaining Fees section to access the Annual Review.	

After you complete the Sustaining Fees section, you will see the subsections of the Annual Review.

nnual Review	
Eligibility	Incomplete
Enrollment	Incomplete
Student Achievement Data	Incomplete
Regulatory Compliance	Incomplete
Attestation	Incomplete

# 3. Start Here for the Annual Report Portal

The CEA primary contact at your site will create a profile by signing up at <u>CEA Annual Report Portal</u> (CARP). Instructions to create a profile are on the <u>CEA Resources</u> webpage. After the profile is verified, CEA staff will associate each profile with your site record. You may see a "Server Error (500)" if you attempt to explore the portal before your profile is connected to your site.

If you need more than one account for your site, the primary contact must request additional accounts by providing the site name, site ID, individual's name, role/title, and email associated with the account at <u>AnnualReport@cea-accredit.org</u>. All requests for CARP accounts made by the CEA primary contact will be approved. If you need to change the primary contact, send an email to <u>info@cea-accredit.org</u>.

The Sustaining Fees section must be completed before you can complete the Annual Review section.

<u>Multi-site organizations</u> must submit a separate response for each accredited branch.

CEA asks sites to provide contact information for three people: 1) the primary contact; 2) the program director; and 3) the person completing the form. If the contact information is the same for any of these individuals, please copy and paste the information.

For each subsection of the report, the dashboard will display incomplete as a status if any required responses are missing. When you click submit, information is sent to CEA. To make changes to a submitted section, email <u>AnnualReport@cea-accredit.org</u>, indicating which section needs to be unlocked.

There are three components of the Annual Report: 1) Sustaining Fees, 2) Financial Reporting, 3) Annual Review. The CEA Annual Report Portal has three section headers with several subsections to gather the required information.

# **Section 1: Contact Information**

This section confirms contact information and the name of the accredited entity for CEA records. It is the site's responsibility to inform CEA of any changes or updates that occur outside of the annual report submission window.

Contact Information			
Check the accuracy of the information below for your CEA-accredited site.			
Site ID			
Program name			
Affiliation			
Scope of accreditation			
Website			
Physical address			
Mailing address			
Number of auxiliaries			
Please select checkbox to confirm that the above information is correct.			

If all the information listed is correct, click in the checkbox. If not, follow the continued instructions.

If applicable, type in the physical addre	esses of the auxiliary l	ocations here.			
			ne physical address	es of any	
	auxiliary loo	cations.			
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<ul> <li>Program name</li> <li>Affiliation</li> <li>Scope of accreditation</li> <li>Physical address</li> <li>Mailing address</li> <li>Auxiliary information</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>		choose a	the above contact i Ill that apply. A CEA you within 3-5 busir	staff mem	
If you make a selection, a CEA staff member will contact you within 3-5 business days.           Previous         Save         Next					
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		Other			

Contact Information	
	Provide, or check, the contact
Primary Contact	information for three people: 1) the
Name	primary contact; 2) the program
	director; and 3) the person
Title	completing the form. The
	information can be repeated if it is
Email	the same person in each role.
Phone	
Program Director	
Name	
Title	
Email	
Phone	
Person Completing Form	
Name	
Title	This is any filled from the profile of
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Auxiliary addresses			
Corrections			
Educational Prog	rams		
Name	# of Levels	Program Type	
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# 4. Instructions for the CEA Annual Review Section

Using the CEA Annual Report Portal, sites submit the following information for the Annual Review subsections:

# Annual Review Subsection 1: Contact Information See above.

#### Annual Review Subsection 2: Eligibility Attestation

This section verifies that the program or institution continues to meet CEA eligibility requirements.

Ligionity
Person Completing Annual Review Section
Name
Job Title
Email
Phone
To maintain eligibility for CEA accreditation, sites must confirm that they continue to meet the following requirements as part of the annual review.
The program or language institution:
□ Is a post-secondary program
□ Has a curriculum designed to serve the needs of students who are non-native speakers of English
□ Allows for the differentiation of participants by level and proficiency
□ Offers instruction on an ongoing basis for at least 3 months of each calendar year
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Clicking submit will lock this section. To make changes after submitting, you must contact CEA staff by emailing AnnualReport@cea-act
Clicking submit sends the information to CEA staff. Email us at

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# Eligibility

#### Annual Review Subsection 3: Enrollment and Faculty Data

This section verifies that the program or institution continues to meet CEA eligibility requirements.

The data in this section are used to monitor significant fluctuations in student and faculty numbers and to monitor continued compliance with specific standards.

# **Student enrollment and faculty numbers**

Enrollment and Faculty Data				
The data in this section are used to monitor significant fluctuations in student and faculty numbers and to monitor continued compliance with specific standards.				
For definitions, instructions, and other information	access the CEA Resources page, h	https://cea-accredit.org/resources.		
NOTE: If you have not completed Sustaining Fees	section, the calculation of differen	ce below will be inaccurate.		
	2023	2024	Difference	
Student weeks	350.0	11.0	-96.9%	
Distance education headcount	100	200	100.0%	
Full-time faculty	2	0	-100.0%	
Part-time faculty	7	The table will pre-fill wit	th your 2024	
The table will pre-fill with your 2023 (calendar year) student weeks and fa numbers if you completed an annua n 2024. Distance education headcount – ent total number of students enrolled in distance education courses for 2023 (calendar year). Count each student per year regardless of number of dis education courses enrolled.	aculty I report er the once	<ul> <li>(calendar year) student</li> <li>Sustaining Fees section.</li> <li>faculty numbers for the</li> <li>The year over year diffe</li> <li>automatically.</li> <li>Distance education head</li> <li>total number of student</li> <li>distance education cour</li> <li>(calendar year). Count e</li> <li>per year regardless of m</li> <li>education courses enrol</li> </ul>	You must enter the calendar year 2024 rence will calculate dcount – enter the cs enrolled in reses for 2024 reach student once umber of distance	

Distance education headcount

- *Distance education:* Instruction delivered to students who are physically separated from the instructor, in various formats using a variety of technologies, designed to promote academic engagement and ensure regular and substantive interaction.
- *Headcount:* Count each person once per calendar year regardless of number of courses in which the student is enrolled or the number of terms that a faculty member taught.

#### **Definition of Terms:**

- *Full-time faculty headcount:* Faculty who hold positions defined by the program or institution as being 1.0 FTE (full-time equivalency) and who are available for assignment during the scheduled hours of operation).
- *Part-time faculty headcount:* Faculty who hold positions of less than 1.0 FTE (full-time equivalency) as defined by the program or institution.

• *Student week:* An enrollment calculation based on the Sustaining Fees procedures. Example: One student enrolled for one week is one student week. Note: Student weeks is not the number of weeks the program operates.

For faculty, do not count the number of full-time (or part-time) faculty positions; <u>count the individuals</u> employed over the period of the calendar year. Each individual faculty member should be counted only once even if teaching in several sessions. Include administrators in faculty counts if teaching is part of their work assignment.

#### **Provide an explanation**

The items below are required to be filled out only by sites reporting at least a 20% increase/decrease in enrollment and/or faculty numbers. If a breakdown by program or main/auxiliary location is needed to explain significant increases/decreases compared to the previous year, include that information in your response.

#### Student weeks ≥ + 20%

If reporting a significant increase in enrollment, (1) what do you attribute the increase to (e.g., new marketing strategies, a stronger recruiting budget, new partnerships, new programs, etc.) and (2) how has the program or institution managed the increase in terms of facilities, faculty, and personnel?

#### Student weeks ≤ - 20%

If reporting a significant decrease in enrollment, (1) what do you attribute the decrease to (e.g., COVID, loss of recruiting personnel, organizational restructuring/lack of stability at the institution, strong local competition, student dissatisfaction with faculty/facilities/school policies, etc.) and (2) what have been your coping strategies (e.g., furloughs, moving to a smaller location) and (3) are you doing anything to bring in/retain more students (developing new programs, implementing tuition discounts, hiring a new marketing director, etc.)

#### Faculty > ± 20%

If reporting a significant fluctuation in faculty numbers, provide an explanation below.

#### Annual Review Subsection 4: Student Achievement Data

The information in this section is used to monitor student progression and pass rates and to verify continued compliance with student achievement, length and structure, and program review and development standards. There are seven questions followed by file upload prompts.

• **IMPORTANT**: For the purposes of this report, the data and analysis in this section should focus only on your main post-secondary English Language Program. It is not necessary to include pass/fail data and analysis for other educational offerings within your CEA scope (e.g., part-time programs, ESP or test prep courses, foreign language programs or courses, TESL/TEFL teacher training certificates, or youth programs or courses). The data for these additional programs will be reviewed at the time of the Interim report or the next reaccreditation review.

### Student Achievement Data

Question or Prompt	Note
Main English language program (ELP) Levels Weeks	Enter number of levels in the main ELP Enter number of weeks in a level of the main ELP
1. Describe the level structure.	Narrative answer
	Examples: - 8 levels, from Intro to Advanced - 5 General English levels from Foundations to High Intermediate plus multiple specialization options at level 6 (Business, Conversation, Academic Prep, TOEFL prep) - General English (levels 1-3), Level 4 (two options: Business English and Academic English); Level 5 (Academic English)
2. The previous calculation (above) is based on the information about the number of levels and the number of weeks per level that you provide. If the number of weeks per level per level (for example while most of your levels are 10 we the upper level is 16 weeks), provide an explanation.	er varies Narrative answer or N/A

### 4.2. Analysis of the data and follow-up actions

	Question or Prompt	Note
3.	Provide any information on your program progression policies that will help staff understand the pass/fail data provided in the files you upload for item 8 below (Section 4.3 Pass-fail and/or progression data). Specifically, explain how 'pass' or 'fail' is determined.	<ul> <li>Examples:</li> <li>Pass = course grade of 80% with the final exam grade no lower than 75%.</li> <li>Pass =semester GPA of 3.0 with no course grades below 2.0</li> <li>Our 12-week levels are split into 4-week blocks that can be taken in any order; students are required to complete the final tests for each block with a minimum score of 70% on each test to progress to the next level.</li> </ul>
4.	Does your site currently have a reporting requirement for the Length and Structure of Program of Study Standard 2 due anytime in 2025?	Yes or No

5.	What is your target pass rate for the main English language program? Is there a specific threshold that triggers a review? Provide a narrative response.	<ul> <li>Example:</li> <li>At our site, we expect about 80% of students to be able to pass their courses on the first try. If any course shows a pass rate of below 70%, the academic coordinator looks closely at the reasons that may have contributed to the lower pass rates.</li> </ul>
6.	Year-to-year comparison: Are your 2024 pass rates (for courses, levels, and the program as a whole) higher, lower, or about the same as the year before? What has changed and what do you attribute the changes to?	<b>Note:</b> For Year-to-year and Within-the-year comparisons, factors that may be monitored or reviewed in order to explain unanticipated or unacceptable
7.	Within-the-year comparison: Are there any significant inconsistencies of pass rates across levels, skills, and sessions? If there are any unanticipated patterns of progression, such as problematic/unexpected trends or low pass rates, state the reasons and describe the follow-up actions (if any) that have been or are being planned/implemented.	passing or progression rates for a course, level, or the program as a whole may include, for example, the profile of students in the course, level, or program; the curricular load assigned to the period(s) of instruction; the amount of time allotted to instruction; assessment practices; etc.

#### 4.3. Pass-fail and/or progression data

After answering the above questions, for your primary English program, provide 2024 pass/fail data (or other numerical evidence of student achievement rates, such as progression rates) used by your program/institution to monitor the effectiveness of program length and structure. Note that direct evidence of achievement of SLOs must form the basis of the progression decisions (and thus reported pass/fail data reflect progression decisions based on direct evidence of achievement of SLOs).

• IMPORTANT: Please see Instructions for Student Achievement (p. 15 this document) prior to completing this section. These instructions include specific data requirements as well as guidance for sites with rolling enrollments.

Provide 2024 pass/fail data (or other numerical evidence of	
student achievement rates, such as progression rates) used	
by your program/institution to monitor the effectiveness of	File upload
program length and structure. Upload file(s).	

#### Annual Review Subsection 5: Regulatory Compliance

This section verifies that the program or institution continues to meet eligibility requirements.

Note: Each accredited site must promptly notify CEA of any change in state licensure or exemption status per Section 8.: Maintaining Accredited Status, *CEA Policies and Procedures*.

This section is to verify regulatory information. There are six questions.	
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	Question	Note			
1.	Is the program or institution subject to any local, state, federal, governmental, or national approval or licensing? (e.g., regional accreditation, state licensing boards, etc.) <u>If yes</u> , list the agency and required approval or license.	Yes or No			
2.	Is the program or institution approved and/or licensed as required? If no, explain the status of approval and/or licensure for the program or institution.	Yes or No			
3.	Has the program or institution's regulatory compliance status changed over the past year? <u>If yes</u> , please explain and provide documentation of continued compliance if not already reported to CEA.	Yes or No			
4.	Has the program or institution's SEVP certification changed since the last annual report? <u>If yes</u> , please explain and provide documentation if not already reported to CEA. Please note that attaining initial SEVP certification for sites that were not certified at the time of accreditation requires formal substantive change reporting. Contact Masha Vassilieva at <u>mvassilieva@cea- accredit.org</u> for more information.	Yes or No			
5.	Has the program or institution been the subject of any adverse action by an accrediting, local, state, or federal agency? If yes, please explain and provide documentation.	Yes or No			
6.	Have there been any changes to the corporate structure or ownership since the last annual report not previously reported to CEA? <u>If yes</u> , submit a copy of documents of incorporation.	Yes or No			

#### Annual Review Subsection 6: Attestation

This section verifies that the program or institution continues to meet CEA eligibility requirements.

The undersigned authorized representative of the program of institution attests to the accuracy of information contained in the four parts of the Annual Review section.

Initials			
Full name			

Complete the <u>CEA Annual Report Portal</u> by February 15, 2025. Failure to submit the report by the due date may result in administrative warning, as stated in the *CEA Policies and Procedures* Section 8: Maintaining Accredited Status.

Please direct any questions about completing this form to AnnualReport@cea-accredit.org.

### 5. Instructions for Student Achievement Data

For programs with fixed enrollment dates:

- Do not submit raw data or a list of students. Aggregate your data by level and term (and class, if applicable).
- Provide pass and/or progression rates by level (%) <u>and</u> by session/term/semester. If your program allows split placement, it may be useful to include data for skill areas or courses within each level.
- Provide an annual average (for each level and for the program as a whole).
- If student enrollment is low, include not only percentages but numbers of students as well.
- Data should be presented in a format that allows for easy at-a-glance comparison across levels, skills areas, and/or sessions. Below is a sample chart that may be useful for programs with fixed session start/end dates. This is not a prescribed format and is provided for illustrative purposes only.

Pass Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total						
rates	#stu	#pass	%pass	#stu	#pass	%pass	#stu	#pass	% pass	#stu	#pass	%pass
Term 1	18	10	56%	28	22	79%	47	41	87%	93	73	78%
Term 2	10	4	40%	15	5	33%	26	15	58%	51	24	47%
Term 3	16	11	69%	34	28	82%	45	40	89%	95	79	83%
2024	44	25	57%	77	55	71%	118	96	81%	23 9	176	74%

For programs with rolling enrollment dates

• CEA length and structure standards require all programs to validate their curricular design and program length and structure by providing evidence that an acceptable percentage of students

are able to complete each level within a specific time frame. Programs with rolling enrollments typically do not aggregate data by session; instead, they track the amount of time (weeks) it takes an average student to complete a level successfully (or the % of students who are able to complete a level successfully within the time frame specified for each level by the program's curriculum). Programs with many short-term students may limit their data collection to students who were enrolled for a certain minimum number of weeks (please specify this in your report). For programs that allow students to take a level up exam whenever they wish, such test scores will not provide evidence of effective curricular design since many students won't be ready for the test when they attempt it; instead, sites should consider tracking the number of weeks it takes an average student to attain a passing score on the level-up/level exit test.

- Do <u>not</u> submit raw data or a list of all students in the program. Aggregate your data by level. For some programs, it may be useful to aggregate the data by course or skill area within each level.
- Provide an annual average for each level and for the program as a whole.
- Data should be presented in a format that allows for easy at-a-glance comparison across levels, skills areas, and/or sessions. Below is a sample chart that may be useful for programs with rolling enrollments. This is not a prescribed format and is provided for illustrative purposes only.

# of weeks		# of students	# of students	% of students	Average # of weeks	
	allotted to level	enrolled in each	able to progress	able to progress	it took students to	
	by the curricular	level for at least 12	to the next level	to the next level	progress to the	
	design	weeks	within 12 weeks	within 12 weeks	next level	
Level 1	12	20	18	90%	10	
Level 2	12	37	28	76%	11	
Level 3	12	50	30	60%	14	
Total 2024		107	76	71%		