

## State Approvals

**KANSAS.** Kansas statutes K.S.A. 74-32,163 through 74-32,184 state that private/out-of-state institutions must hold a Certificate of Approval to operate in Kansas. The regulation, K.S.A. 74-32,164 allows for the exemption of certain institutions and courses. Part (i) from that regulation allows any postsecondary educational institution granted approval to confer academic or honorary degrees by the State Board of Education under the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6105 exemption from this legislation.

In 1978, the responsibility for authorizing non-public education institutions to confer degrees in Kansas was transferred from the State Board of Education to the Kansas Board of Regents. At that time twenty-two schools were exempted from the scope of the legislation. MidAmerica Nazarene University is one of these schools. These institutions remain exempt from the 2004 legislation and are not under the authority of the Kansas Board of Regents. The Kansas State Department of Education provides state accreditation for all MNU teacher education licensure programs. The Kansas State Board of Nursing approves the MNU Pre-Licensure Nursing programs.

**MISSOURI.** The Missouri Department of Higher Education has determined that MNU is a properly accredited not-for-profit religious institution and is therefore exempt from the proprietary school requirements, including Coordinating Board certification, found in §§ 173.600 TO 173.618 RSMo. This exemption occurs by operation of law rather than by decision or approval from the Coordinating Board.