

## EHAC History and Purpose

- The National Environmental Health Science and Protection Accreditation Council was established in 1967 to enhance the education and training of students who intend to become environmental health professionals. The Council, is comprised of highly qualified professionals representing academia, government, and industries. For almost 50 years, the Council has consistently worked to upgrade the quality of education delivered by the programs it accredits.
- The Council meets on an annual basis to accredit and re-accredit undergraduate and graduate degree programs. The Council establishes specific criteria for accreditation which include standards for curriculum, faculty, program funding, enrollment and management aspects of the programs.
- The intent of EHAC guidelines is to be flexible to the extent that they enhance program quality and are consistent with regional needs, at the same time to meet the minimum criteria for graduates of an EHAC accredited program.

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**Accrediting Science and  
Practice Based Environmental  
Health Programs at Colleges  
and Universities Nationwide.**

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## What is EHAC?

EHAC is the National Environmental Health, Science and Protection Accreditation Council. Our mission is to enhance the education and training of students in environmental health science and protection.

EHAC accreditation signifies:

- A scientifically rigorous environmental health curriculum with a solid foundation in basic concepts of environmental health science and protection education.
- A strong programmatic focus on practical, hands on experience gained through classroom and required internships.
- The presence of dedicated Environmental Health Faculty.

## Accreditation Benefits:

EHAC is a nationally respected partner for academic environmental health programs. EHAC serves as a non-profit organization that accredits high quality undergraduate and graduate programs. Student and graduate benefits of accreditation include:

### Undergraduate Student Benefits of Attending a EHAC accredited program:

- Eligibility to participate in the US Public Health Service (USPHS) sponsored FR COSTEP internship program.
- Exclusive access to valuable internships from: the **Centers for Disease Control's** (CDC) Summer Program in Environmental Health (SUPEH) and the **National Environmental Health Association's** (NEHA) National Environmental Public Health Internship Program (NEPHIP).
- Eligibility to compete for scholarships and internships provided by AEHAP and NSF International.

### Graduate Benefits of Attending a EHAC accredited school:

- Graduation from an accredited program is required to enter the US Public Health Service (USPHS) and US Army and Navy Environmental Science and Engineering careers.
- EHAC graduates meet the criteria to sit for the Registered Environmental Health Specialist /Registered Sanitarian (REHS/RS) exam upon graduation.

**EHAC Graduates have a 91%**

**Job Placement Rate and an Average Starting Annual Salary Range of:**

**\$40,000 - \$78,000**



Words of praise for EHAC graduates from CAPT Alan Parham, Chief Professional Officer, Environmental Health Officer Category, U.S. Public Health Service .....

"the USPHS has recognized that students graduating from EH programs accredited under the National Environmental Health Science and Protection Accreditation Council (EHAC) are uniquely prepared to become leaders in the field of Environmental Health and the USPHS Commissioned Corps"

