

# ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIP

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## Institutional Accreditation

Bethel University has been continuously accredited by the Higher Learning Commission since 1959. This institutional accreditor is recognized by the United States Department of Education. Bethel's Higher Learning Commission accreditation demonstrates that the university meets quality educational standards. Students may contact the Higher Learning Commission (<https://www.hlcommission.org/>) or by calling 312.263.0456.

Bethel University is registered with the Minnesota Office of Higher Education pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, sections 136A.61 to 136A.71. Registration is not an endorsement of the institution. Credits earned at the institution may not transfer to all other institutions.

The academic programs at Bethel University are enriched by its membership and participation in programs of the Christian College Consortium and the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities.

## Specialized Accreditation

### Business

Bethel's B.S. in Business Management is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) (<https://acbsp.org/>), a leading specialized accreditation association for business education.

### Nursing

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing at Bethel University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccnaccreditation.org>).

### Social Work

Bethel's Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Graduates are eligible to be licensed as social workers. While preparation for generalist-level professional practice is the program's primary objective, academically qualified graduates are prepared to pursue graduate-level social work education. The students from Bethel's social work program are eligible for advanced standing admission to CSWE-accredited graduate schools. The 64-credit major includes classroom and field courses, and select social, and behavioral science foundational support courses.

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