

# REALTOR® University

REALTOR® University ceased operations as an independent institution of higher education in the State of Illinois on December 31, 2020.

## **Institutional History**

REALTOR® University (RU or the University) was a private not-for-profit institution offering a Master of Real Estate degree in the Chicago Region. The University operated and awarded degrees from 2012 through 2020. The University was located in downtown Chicago at 430 North Michigan Avenue - the REALTOR® Building of the National Association REALTORS®.

In 2020, it was announced that the National Association of REALTORS® had entered into a partnership with Columbia College of Columbia Missouri to create the NAR Academy at Columbia College. With the graduation of all active Master of Real Estate program students, and with the sharing of the curriculum with Columbia College, REALTOR® University discontinued its master's program and ceased operations. REALTOR® University alumni will become members of the Columbia College Alumni Association.

## **Institutional Accreditation:**

REALTOR® University was accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC). For questions about accreditation, please contact DEAC at [info@deac.org](mailto:info@deac.org)

**Transcript Requests:** Former students or graduates may access student records and request transcripts by contacting Columbia College. <https://www.ccis.edu/offices/registrar/transcripts.aspx>

**Diploma Requests:** To obtain a copy of a diploma, graduates of REALTOR® University should contact Columbia College at (573) 875-7526.

**Catalog Request:** To obtain a copy of a past academic catalog interested parties may contact either Columbia College at (573) 875-7526, or the Office of the General Counsel at the National Association of REALTORS® at (312) 329-8372.

**Student Account Balances:** All student account balances have been cleared. Any former student or graduate with questions about past student financial records should contact the Office of the General Counsel at the National Association of REALTORS® at (312) 329-8372.

## **Important Helpful Links/Transfer Options for Students:**

Former Students of REALTOR® University who did not complete their degree may wish to contact Columbia College to explore transfer credit opportunities. <https://www.nar.realtor/nar-academy>

**General Questions:** Office of the General Counsel at the National Association of REALTORS® at (312) 329-8372.

**US Department of Education Resources:**

**[Repayment Questions](#)**

**Federal Loan Discharge and Forgiveness:**

***IMPORTANT NOTE:*** Visit this [link](#) to evaluate the eligibility requirements for discharge of Federal Direct Loans, Federal Family Education Loans (FFEL) Program loans, or Federal Perkins Loans. This information **does not apply to non-federal student loans**. For those loans, please contact lenders directly for options and to understand repayment obligations.

Students who attended a school who believe they were defrauded or that their school otherwise violated applicable state law may be eligible for discharge (loan forgiveness). Please visit this [link](#) for assistance.

**Resolving Loan Disputes:** <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/repay-loans/disputes>

**Complaints:**

File a complaint with the [Illinois Attorney General's office](#).

**General Questions for the Illinois Board of Higher Education:** Please email [info@ibhe.org](mailto:info@ibhe.org)

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