**State Attorneys General and Federal Agency Settlements with Schools**

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| **School** | **Agency** | **Settlement date** | **Settlement amount** | **Findings** |
| Alta*(Westwood College)* | CO-AG | March 2012 | $4.5 million | Provided misleading information to students on job placement rates, tuition, and transferability of credits. Veterans were falsely told that their GI Bill benefits would cover the cost of tuition.a  |
| Alta*(Westwood College)* | IL-AG | Nov. 2015 | $15 million | Misrepresented costs and employment opportunities in its criminal justice program.b |
| Ashworth | FTC | May 2015 | $11 millionc | Many programs did not meet state licensure requirements for those professions, including teachers and massage therapists, and the claims made about credit transfers were often not true.d  |
| ATI | Justice | Aug. 2013 | $3.7 million | Misleading recruiting practices at campuses in Texas and several other states.e |
| Bridgepoint *(Ashford College)* | IA-AG | May 2014 | $7.5 million | Misleading recruiting practices.f |
| Bridgepoint*(Ashford College)* | CFPB | Sept. 2016 | $31.5 million | Misleading private student loan interest ratesg |
| Career Education Corporation *(Sanford Brown, Briarcliff, American Continental University, Colorado Technical University)* | NY-AG | Aug. 2013 | $10.25 million | Significantly inflated job placement rates and provided misleading information about credit transfers.h |
| DeVry | FTC | Dec. 2016 | $100 million | Misled prospective students with ads that touted high employment success rates and income levels upon graduationi |
| DeVry | NY-AG | Jan. 2017 | $2.75 million | Misled prospective students about post-graduation salaries and the likelihood of finding a job.j |
| DeVry | MA-AG | July 2017 | $455,000 | Mislead prospective students with deceptive claim that 90 percent of its graduates were employed in their field within 6 months of earning a degree.k |
| EDMC*(Argosy)* | CO-AG | Dec. 2013 | $3.3 million | Falsely claimed that PhD graduates could become licensed clinical psychologists even though its program was not accredited by the American Psychological Association.l |
| EDMC *(Art Institute)* | SF City Attorney | June 2014 | $4.4 million | Used illegal marketing practices, including providing misleading data on placement rates, actual or average salaries, and graduation/completion ratesm  |
| EDMC | Justice | Nov. 2015 | $95.5 million | Violated the Dept. of Education incentive compensation regulations.n |
| EDMC | 40 state AGs | Nov. 2015 | $103 million | Used misleading and deceptive recruiting practices.o |
| Education Affiliates*(Fortis Institute and numerous other brands)* | Justice | June 2015 | $13 million | Misrepresented job placement rates.p |
| Kaplan | FL-AG | June 2014 |  | Misleading recruiting practices.q |
|  | Justice | July 2015 | $1.3 million | Used unqualified instructors who did not meet minimum Texas standards in its medical assisting program.r |
| Premier Education Group*(Salter College)* | MA-AG | Dec. 2014 | $3.75 million | Misrepresented job placement rates and used deceptive enrollment tactics.s |

Source: VES analysis of federal and state Attorneys General settlements with for-profit, chain-owned schools.

a<http://www.denverpost.com/smart/ci_20172161/colorado-attorney-general-reaches-settlement-westwood-2->

b<https://www.cfpbmonitor.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2014/11/IL-AG-second-amended-complaint.pdf>

cThe $11 million fine was waived because of the school’s inability to pay.

d<https://www.ftc.gov/news-events/press-releases/2015/05/ashworth-college-settles-ftc-charges-it-misled-students-about>

e<http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2013/August/13-civ-953.html#sthash.fla0snpj.dpuf>

f<http://www.ashfordsettlement.com/faqs.html>

g<http://www.ag.ny.gov/press-release/ag-schneiderman-announces-groundbreaking-1025-million-dollar-settlement-profit>

h <http://www.consumerfinance.gov/about-us/newsroom/consumer-financial-protection-bureau-takes-action-against-bridgepoint-education-inc-illegal-student-lending-practices/>

i<https://www.ftc.gov/news-events/press-releases/2016/12/devry-university-agrees-100-million-settlement-ftc>

jhttp://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/education/devry-university-pay-2-75m-false-ads-article-1.2960072

khttps://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2017/07/05/devry-university-agrees-settlement-with-office/zpnTrXXjbHJBEbWtIeIpjO/story.html

l<https://www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov/press/news/2013/12/05/attorney_general_suthers_announces_consumer_protection_settlement_argosy_unive> and htttp://www.bizjournals.com/denver/news/2013/12/05/argosy-university-pays-colorado-33m.html

m<http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/SF-wins-4-4M-settlement-with-for-profit-art-5559635.php>

n<http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/profit-college-company-pay-955-million-settle-claims-illegal-recruiting-consumer-fraud-and>

o<http://kentucky.gov/Pages/Activity-Stream.aspx?viewMode=ViewDetailInNewPage&eventID=%7B15E27858-880A-4479-A5F6-B1966D22274F%7D&activityType=PressRelease>j

p<http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/profit-education-company-pay-13-million-resolve-several-cases-alleging-submission-false>

qThe Florida AG entered into a voluntary assurance of compliance with Kaplan. [http://myfloridalegal.com/webfiles.nsf/WF/JMEE-9L6QDA/$file/KaplanAVC.pdf#sthash.YDI8hEsG.dpuf](http://myfloridalegal.com/webfiles.nsf/WF/JMEE-9L6QDA/%24file/KaplanAVC.pdf#sthash.YDI8hEsG.dpuf)

r<http://www.justice.gov/usao-wdtx/pr/profit-college-kaplan-refund-federal-financial-aid-under-settlement-united-states>

s<http://www.mass.gov/ago/news-and-updates/press-releases/2014/2014-12-12-salter-college.html#sthash.fla0snpj.dpuf>