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The rare Arabian Oryx is believed to have inspired the myth of the unicorn. This desert antelope became virtually extinct in the early 1960s. At that time several groups of international conservationists arranged to have 9 animals sent to the Phoenix Zoo to be the nucleus of a captive breeding herd. Today the Oryx population is over 400 and herds have been returned to reserves in Israel, Jordan, and Oman.

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Introduction

Since the publication of the first edition of the *Dictionary of Educational Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Initialisms*, thousands of documents, journal articles, and monographs have been added to the education literature. This second edition of the *Dictionary* provides an updated listing of acronyms and other short forms found in this new body of literature.

The majority of entries in this revised listing were gleaned from a review of the 1983 and 1984 editions of *Resources in Education*, as well as from a review of the 1983 and 1984 editions of 150 journals in the field of education. Care was taken to select journals representing a variety of educational topics, including the scope areas of the 16 ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) Clearinghouses:

- ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult, Career, and Vocational Education
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Counseling and Personnel Services
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Educational Management
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Elementary and Early Childhood Education
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Handicapped and Gifted Children
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Higher Education
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources
- ERIC Clearinghouse for Junior Colleges
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Languages and Linguistics
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Reading and Communication Skills
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Rural Education and Small Schools
- ERIC Clearinghouse for Science, Mathematics and Environmental Education
- ERIC Clearinghouse for Social Studies/Social Science Education
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Teacher Education
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation
- ERIC Clearinghouse on Urban Education

Other sources include newsletters published by educational organizations and associations, the *ERIC Source Code Directory*, and acronyms listed for educational associations in the 18th edition of the *Encyclopedia of Associations* (Detroit: Gale, 1983). In all, the revised list includes 4,011 acronyms and other short forms that are part of the current education vocabulary. Of these, 1,995 did not appear in the first edition of the *Dictionary*. Users may wish to retain their copies of the first edition as a reference source for acronyms used in the education literature prior to 1983.

The *Dictionary* is arranged in two sections. In the first it is arranged alphabetically by acronym, and for identical acronyms, alphabetically by unabbreviated form. In the second entries are arranged alphabetically by their unabbreviated forms. The reverse list is published as a convenience to users; it should not serve as an authority list for these acronyms.

In most cases, each entry provides only the acronym and the terminology it represents. Occasionally, the entry will include a modifier in parentheses. The modifier usually indicates a geographic place or identifies a parent organization. For example:

OLPR	Office for Library Personnel Resources (American Library Association)
PASS	Portable Assisted Study Sequence Program (California)

Usually, the *Dictionary* provides only the unabbreviated form of the acronym and no additional clarification. Some entries begin with "Not an acronym." This indicates to the user that a term which appears to be an acronym is, rather, the form of a name used to identify a program, agency, or software package. For example:

ORION	Not an acronym: On-line catalog at the University of California, Los Angeles
PREST	Not an acronym: A computer-based reading and study skills curriculum developed for Navy recruits

The user should also be aware that many abbreviated forms are not composed of the initial letters of the compound terms they represent. For example:

EA ERIC Clearinghouse on Educational
 Management

Thus, some of the abbreviations listed may appear to be unrelated to the terminology they represent. Despite this lack of visual relation, however, such abbreviations are commonly used in the educational literature.

In using the *Dictionary*, two limitations should be kept in mind. First, the *Dictionary* is not an authority list. Acronyms are listed as they are used and explained in the literature. Unless there was an obvious need to verify the accuracy, no further authority work was completed. Second,

the *Dictionary* is not exhaustive. Acronyms and abbreviations continue to proliferate, and no listing of short forms is ever complete. The user will undoubtedly encounter acronyms not listed on these pages, but we hope that the *Dictionary* will be useful in most cases.

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PART I

Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Initialisms

AA	Associate in Arts	AAHE	American Association of Housing Educators
AAA	American Academy of Advertising	AAHE	Association for the Advancement of Health Education
AAA	American Arbitration Association	AAHPERD	American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
AAA	Areawide Agency on Aging	AAHSLD	Association of Academic Health Sciences Library Directors
AAACE	American Association for Adult and Continuing Education	AAI	Adjusted Agreement Index
AAAE	Alliance of Associations for the Advancement of Education	AAI	Adolescent Abuse Inventory
AAAE	American Association of Academic Editors	AAIA	Association on American Indian Affairs
AAAE	Association of Arts Administration Educators	AAIE	Association for the Advancement of International Education
AAAL	American Association for Applied Linguistics	AALE	Associate in Arts in Law Enforcement
AAAS	American Association for the Advancement of Science	AALL	American Association of Law Libraries
AAASS	American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies	AALR	American Association for Leisure and Recreation
AAB	Associate in Arts in Business	AALS	Association of American Law Schools
AABC	American Association of Bible Colleges	AAMC	Association of American Medical Colleges
AABT	Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy	AAMD	American Association on Mental Deficiency
AAC	Afro-Asian Center	AAN	Associate in Applied Nursing
AAC	Association of American Colleges	AAP	Affirmative Action Plan
AACD	American Association for Counseling and Development	AAP	Association of American Publishers
AACE	Alaska Association for Computers in Education	AAPE	American Academy of Physical Education
AACE	American Association for Career Education	AAPICU	American Association of Presidents of Independent Colleges and Universities
AACJC	American Association of Community and Junior Colleges	AAPS	American Association of Phonetic Sciences
AACN	American Association of Colleges of Nursing	AAPSS	American Academy of Political and Social Science
AACR	Anglo-American Cataloging Rules	AAPT	American Association of Physics Teachers
AACRAO	American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers	AAPY	American Association of Professors of Yiddish
AACS	American Association for Chinese Studies	AARTS	Association of Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools
AACS	American Association of Christian Schools	AAS	American Astronomical Society
AACSB	American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business	AAS	Associate in Applied Science
AACTE	American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education	AAS	Association for Asian Studies
AADE	American Association of Diabetes Educators	AASA	American Association of School Administrators
AAE	Alliance for Arts Education	AASC	American Association of Specialized Colleges
AAES	American Association of Evangelical Students	AASCU	American Association of State Colleges and Universities
AAESA	American Association of Educational Service Agencies	AASE	American Association of Special Educators
AAESPH	American Association for the Education of Severely/Profoundly Handicapped	AASECT	American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors, and Therapists
AAGC	American Association for Gifted Children	AASG	American Association of Students of German
AAHC	Association of Academic Health Centers	AASL	American Association of School Librarians
AAHE	American Association for Higher Education	AASLH	American Association for State and Local History
		AASL NPSS	AASL Non-Public Schools Section
		AASL SS	AASL Supervisors Section

AASPA	American Association of School Personnel Administrators	ABE	Adult Basic Education
AAT	Achievement Anxiety Test	ABET	Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology
AAT	Auditory Attending Task	ABFSE	American Board of Funeral Service Education
AATA	American Association of Teachers of Arabic	ABIC	Adaptive Behavior Inventory for Children
AATE	American Association of Teachers of Esperanto	ABLA	American Business Law Association
AATEA	American Association of Teacher Educators in Agriculture	ABLE	Adult Basic Learning Examination
AATF	American Association of Teachers of French	ABOPS	Association of Business Officers of Preparatory Schools
AATG	American Association of Teachers of German	ABS	Adaptive Behavior Scales
AATI	American Association of Teachers of Italian	ABSEL	Association for Business Simulation and Experiential Learning
AATS	American Academy of Teachers of Singing	ABS-PS	Adaptive Behavior Scale—Public School Version
AATSEEL	American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages	ABWH	Association of Black Women Historians
AATSP	American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese	ABWHE	Association of Black Women in Higher Education
AAU	Association of American Universities	ACA	Association for Communication Administration
AAU	Association of Atlantic Universities (Canada)	ACAAC	American College Admissions Advisory Center
AAUA	American Association of University Administrators	ACAD	American Conference of Academic Deans
AAUBO	Association of Atlantic University Business Officers (Canada)	ACB	Airman Classification Battery
AAUP	American Association of University Professors	ACBC	Achenbach Child Behavior Checklist
AAUP	Association of American University Presses	ACBE	Association for Community-Based Education
AAUPI	American Association of University Professors of Italian	ACBIS	Academic Collective Bargaining Information Service
AAUS	American Association of University Students	ACCC	Association of Canadian Community Colleges
AAUW	American Association of University Women	ACCCEL	Assessing the Cognitive Consequences of Computer Environments for Learning Project
AAUWEF	American Association of University Women Educational Foundation	ACCE	American Council for Construction Education
AAVIM	American Association for Vocational Instructional Materials	ACCE	American Council on Cosmetology Education
AAVMC	Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges	ACCH	Association for the Care of Children's Health
AAWB	American Association of Workers for the Blind	ACCT	Association of Community College Trustees
AAWCJC	American Association of Women in Community and Junior Colleges	ACCTA	Association of Counseling Center Training Agents
A.B.	Artium Baccalaureus	ACCU	Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities
ABA	American Bar Association	ACCW	New York Association of Child Care Workers
ABACUS	Arizona Basic Assessment and Curriculum Utilization System	ACDM	Association of Chairmen of Departments of Mechanics
ABC	A Better Chance	ACE	American Council on Education
ABC	Approaches to Behavior Change Inventory	ACE	Association Canadienne d'Éducation
ABCA	American Business Communication Association	ACE	Association of Collegiate Entrepreneurs
ABCE	Adult Basic and Continuing Education	ACE	Association of Cooperative Educators
ABCT	Alabama Basic Competency Tests	ACEHSA	Accrediting Commission on Education for Health Services Administration
ABD	All But Dissertation	ACEI	Association for Childhood Education International

ACEJ	American Council on Education for Journalism	ACRL/EBSS	ACRL Education and Behavioral Sciences Section
ACEJMC	Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication	ACRL LPSS	ACRL Law and Political Science Section
ACES	Army Continuing Education System	ACRL RBMS	ACRL Rare Books and Manuscripts Section
ACES	Association for Counselor Education and Supervision	ACRL SEES	ACRL Slavic and East European Section
ACESIA	American Council for Elementary School Industrial Arts	ACRL STS	ACRL Science and Technology Section
ACFP	Association Canadienne de la Formation Professionnelle	ACRL ULS	ACRL University Libraries Section
ACGME	Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education	ACRL WESS	ACRL Western European Specialists Section
ACHE	Action Committee for Higher Education	ACRS	Abbreviated Conners Parent/Teacher Rating Scale
ACHE	Association for Continuing Higher Education	ACS	American Chemical Society
ACIAS	American Council of Industrial Arts Supervisors	ACS	Association of Caribbean Studies
ACIASAO	American Council of Industrial Arts State Association Officers	ACSA	Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture
ACIATE	American Council on Industrial Arts Teacher Education	ACSC	Accrediting Commission for Specialized Colleges
ACIS	American Council on International Sports	ACSC	American Council on Schools and Colleges
ACL	Adjective Check List	ACSI	Association of Christian Schools International
ACL	American Classical League	ACSL	American Computer Science League
ACL	Association for Computational Linguistics	ACSN	Appalachian Community Service Network
ACLA	American Comparative Literature Association	ACSP	Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning
ACLD	Association for Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities	ACSUS	Association for Canadian Studies in the United States
ACLS	American Council of Learned Societies	ACT	American College Test
ACM	American College of Musicians	ACT	American College Testing Program
ACM	Associated Colleges of the Midwest	ACTA	Association Canadienne de Technologie Avancée
ACM	Association for Computing Machinery	ACTFL	American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages
AC/MRDD	Accreditation Council for Services for Mentally Retarded and other Developmentally Disabled Persons	ACTP	American College Testing Program
ACOG	American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists	ACTR	American Council of Teachers of Russian
ACP	Associated Collegiate Press	ACTS	Auditory Comprehension Test for Sentences
ACPA	American Catholic Personnel Association	ACUA	Association of College and University Auditors
ACPA	American College Personnel Association	ACUCAA	Association of College, University, and Community Arts Administrators
ACPAR	Association Council for Policy Analysis and Research	ACUHO-I	Association of College and University Housing Officers—International
ACPE	Association for Continuing Professional Education	ACU-I	Association of College Unions—International
ACRA	American Collegiate Retailing Association	ACUPAE	American Council for University Planning and Academic Excellence
ACRES	American Council on Rural Special Education	ACURA	Association for the Coordination of University Religious Affairs
ACRL	Association of College and Research Libraries	ACUTA	Association of College and University Telecommunications Administrators
ACRL AAS	ACRL Asian and African Section	ACYF	Administration for Children, Youth, and Families
ACRL ANSS	ACRL Anthropology and Sociology Section	ADA	Average Daily Attendance
ACRL ARTS	ACRL Arts Section	ADCIS	Association for the Development of Computer-based Instructional Systems
ACRL BIS	ACRL Bibliographic Instruction Section	ADD	Attention Deficit Disorders
ACRL CJCLS	ACRL Community and Junior College Libraries Section	ADE	Association of Departments of English

ADERI	American Disability Evaluation Research Institute	AFNA	American Foundation for Negro Affairs
ADFL	Association of Departments of Foreign Languages	AFRAT	Air Force Reading Abilities Test
ADM	Average Daily Membership	AFS	American Field Service
ADN	Associate Degree Nursing	AFSA	American Federation of School Administrators
ADPSO	Association of Data Processing Service Organizations	AFSCME	American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
ADS	American Dialect Society	AFT	American Federation of Teachers
ADT	Wepman Auditory Discrimination Test	AFT-TCRE	American Federation of Teachers—Teacher Center Resource Exchange
ADTSEA	American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association	AGAT	Ability Grouped Active Teaching
AEA	American Economic Association	AGB	Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges
AEA	American Education Association	AGHE	Association for Gerontology in Higher Education
AEA	Arts, Education and Americans, Inc.	AGI	American Geological Institute
AEA	Augustinian Educational Association	AGLS	Association for General and Liberal Studies
AECCP	Alaska Early Childhood Certification Process	AGLSP	Association of Graduate Liberal Studies Programs
AECT	Association for Educational Communications and Technology	AGRICOLA	Agricultural Online Access (U.S. Department of Agriculture)
AED	Academy for Educational Development	AGS	Association of Graduate Schools
AEDC	American Economic Development Council	AH	American Humanics
AEDS	Association for Educational Data Systems	AHA	American Historical Association
AEE	Alliance for Environmental Education	AHA	American Hominological Association
AEE	Association for Experiential Education	AHE	Association for Humanistic Education
AEEP	Association for Environmental Engineering Professors	AHEA	American Hungarian Educators' Association
AEF	Aerospace Education Foundation	AHEC	Area Health Education Centers (California)
AEF	Armenian Educational Foundation	AHJCP	Association of Hillel/Jewish Campus Professionals
AEFA	American Education Finance Association	AHSGE	Alabama High School Graduation Examination
AEI	Acclimatization Experiences Institute	AHSSPPE	Association on Handicapped Student Services Programs in Postsecondary Education
AEJMC	Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication	AIAA	American Industrial Arts Association
AEL	Appalachian Educational Laboratory	AIASA	American Industrial Arts Student Association
AERA	American Educational Research Association	AIAW	Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women
AESA	American Educational Studies Association	AIB	Academy of International Business
AESIS	Australian Earth Sciences Information System	AIBS	American Institute of Biological Sciences
AESP	Appalachian Educational Satellite Project	AICA	Alliance of Independent Colleges of Art
AETS	Association for the Education of Teachers in Science	AICCT	Association for the Improvement of Community College Teaching
AEVH	Association for Education of the Visually Handicapped	AICE	American Institute for Character Education
AFAIU	American Friends of the Alliance Israelite Universelle	AICbE	American Institute of Chemical Engineers
AFB	American Foundation for the Blind	AICM	Association of Independent Colleges of Music
AFDC	Aid to Families with Dependent Children	AICS	Association of Independent Colleges and Schools
AFHPSP	Armed Forces Health Professional Scholarship Program	AICU	Association of International Colleges and Universities
AFHU	American Friends of the Hebrew University	AID	Accepting Individual Differences Curriculum
A-FILE	Adolescent-Family Inventory of Life Events and Changes		
AFIPS	American Federation of Information Processing Societies		
AFL-CIO	American Federation of Labor—Congress of Industrial Occupations		

AIDA	American Indian Development Association	ALARM	Assessment of Language And Reading Maturity Test
AIDP	Advanced Institutional Development Program	ALAS	Auxiliary Loans to Assist Students
AIDS	American Institute for Decision Sciences	ALCF	Association of Lutheran College Faculties
AIESEC	Association Internationale des Étudiants en Sciences Économiques et Commerciales	ALEA	American Lutheran Education Association
AIESI	Association Internationale des Écoles des Sciences de l'Information	ALEM	Adaptive Learning Environments Model
AIGE	Association for Individually Guided Education	ALIS	Automated Library Information System
AIHE	Association for Innovation in Higher Education	ALISE	Association for Library and Information Science Education
AIIS	American Institute of Indian Studies	ALMA	Association of Labor Mediation Agencies
AILA	Association Internationale de Linguistique Appliquée	ALP	Academic Library Program
AILACTE	Association of Independent Liberal Arts Colleges for Teacher Education	ALPBP	Assessment of Language Proficiency of Bilingual Persons Project
AILSA	American Indian Law Students Association	ALSA	American Legal Studies Association
AIM	Associated Information Managers	ALSA	Area Library Service Authority
AIM/ARM	Abstracts of Instructional and Research Materials in Vocational and Technical Education	ALSC	Association for Library Service to Children (American Library Association)
AIMAV	Association Internationale pour la Recherche et la Diffusion des Méthodes Audio-Visuelles et Structo-Globales	ALSP	Adkins Life Skills Program
AIMS	American Institute of Musical Studies	ALSS	Association of Lutheran Secondary Schools
AIMS	Association of Independent Maryland Schools	ALT	Academic Learning Time
AIMS	Automated Instructional Materials Service	ALTA	American Library Trustee Association
AIPE	American Institute for Professional Education	AM	Academy of Management
AIPT	Association for International Practical Training	A.M.	Artium Magister
AIR	American Institutes for Research in the Behavioral Sciences	AMA	American Management Association
AIR	Association for Institutional Research	AMAE	Association of Mexican American Educators
AIRIA	Adult Inventory of Reading Interests and Attitudes	AMATYC	American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges
AIS	Academy of Independent Scholars	AMC	Association of Mercy Colleges
AIS	American Indian Scholarships	AMCEE	Association for Media-based Continuing Education for Engineers, Inc.
AIS	American Indian Studies	AMCS	Association of Military Colleges and Schools of the U.S.
AIS	Artists In the Schools Program	AMEG	Association for Measurement and Evaluation in Guidance
AISP	Association of Information Systems Professionals	AMES	Actualization of Mainstream Experience Skills Project (Iowa)
AIT	Agency for Instructional Television	AMHCA	American Mental Health Counselor Association (American Personnel and Guidance Association)
AIT	Assessment of Instructional Terms	AMI	Association for Multi-Image
AITCT	Alabama Initial Teacher Certification Test	AMIDEAST	American Mideast Educational and Training Services, Inc.
AJCU	Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities	AMOAS	Administrative Management by Objectives Appraisal System
AJL	Association of Jewish Libraries	AMS	Academy of Marketing Science
ALA	Adult Learning Association	AMS	Administrative Management Society
ALA	American Library Association	AMS	American Mathematical Society
ALANET	Not an acronym: Name of the Electronic Mail and Information Network of the American Library Association	AMS	American Montessori Society
		AMTEP	Automobile Mechanic Training Evaluation Project (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools)
		ANA	American Nurses' Association
		ANARAP	Administration for Native Americans Research Analysis Project
		ANCOVA	Analysis of Covariance
		ANEF	American-Nepal Education Foundation
		ANOVA	Analysis Of Variance

ANPEO	Assembly of National Postsecondary Educational Organizations	ARAPCS	Association for Research, Administration, Professional Councils and Societies
ANSI	American National Standards Institute	ARC	American Reading Council
ANS-IE	Nowicki-Strickland Internal-External Control Scale for Adults	ARC	Association of Retarded Citizens
ANSS	American Nature Study Society	ARCA	American Rehabilitation Counseling Association (American Personnel and Guidance Association)
AoA	Administration on Aging	ARF	American Reading Forum
AOE	Association of Overseas Educators	ARIA	American Risk and Insurance Association
AOJT	Association of Orthodox Jewish Teachers	ARIMA	Auto Regressive Integrated Moving Average Model
AOPE	Associated Organizations for Professionals in Education	ARL	Association of Research Libraries
AOS	Acceptance of Others Scale	ARLIS/NA	Art Library Society of North America
AP	Advanced Placement	ARMA	Association of Records Managers and Administrators
APA	American Philological Association	ARMSI	Alaska Resources for the Moderately/Severely Impaired
APA	American Philosophical Association	ARO	Army Research Office
APA	American Psychiatric Association	ARP	Advisory Role Play
APA	American Psychological Association	ARPA	Advanced Research Projects Agency
APC	Assessment Policy Committee (National Assessment of Educational Progress)	ARPANET	Advanced Research Projects Agency Network
APCISS	Alumi Presidents' Council of Independent Secondary Schools	ARPD	Association of Rehabilitation Programs in Data Processing
APCU	Association of Presbyterian Colleges and Universities	ARROE	American Registry of Research and Research-Related Organizations
APCYA	A Presidential Classroom for Young Americans	ARTFL	American and French Research on the Treasury of the French Language Project
APE	Administrator Performance Evaluation	ARTS	Arts Recognition and Talent Search
APEID	Asian Program of Educational Innovation for Development	ARTTC	Alaska Rural Teacher Training Corps
APEM	Association for Professional Education for Ministry	ARVIC	Association for Religious and Value Issues In Counseling
APEP	Academic Program Evaluation Project	ASA	African Studies Association
APGA	American Personnel and Guidance Association	ASA	American Schools Association
APHA	American Public Health Association	ASA	American Sociological Association
API	Affective Perception Inventory	ASA	American Student Association
API	American Press Institute	ASA	American Studies Association
APL	Adult Performance Level	ASAH	American Society of Allied Health Professions
APLIC	Association for Population/Family Planning Libraries and Information Centers, International	ASBCS	Association of Southern Baptist Colleges and Schools
APLS	Association for Politics and the Life Sciences	ASBDA	American School Band Directors' Association
APM	Advanced Progressive Matrices	ASBO	Association of School Business Officials of the United States and Canada
APP	Annual Program Plan	ASC	Assembly of State Conferences (American Association of University Professors)
APPA	Association of Physical Plant Administrators of Universities and Colleges	ASC	Associated Schools of Construction
APPLES	Asian and Pacific Professional Language and Education Services	ASCA	American School Counselor Association
APQ	Autonomic Perception Questionnaire	ASC/AIA	Association of Student Chapters, American Institute of Architects
APRRE	Association of Professors and Researchers in Religious Education	ASCCC	Academic Senate for California Community Colleges
APS	Academy of Political Science	ASCD	Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
APSA	American Political Science Association	ASCI	Art Self-Concept Inventory
APT	Appalachia Preschool Test		
APT	Applied Performance Tests		
APT	Assessments of Performance in Teaching (South Carolina)		
AR	Academic Ranking		
AR	Auditory Reception		

ASCH	American Standard Code for Information Interchange	A&TBCB	Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board
ASCLA	Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies	ATBQ	Attitudes Toward Blindness Questionnaire
ASCS	Academic Self-Concept Scale	ATC	Athletic Training Council
ASCUS	Association for School, College, and University Staffing	ATCI	Attitudes Toward College Inventory
ASE	Adult Secondary Education	ATDP	Attitudes Toward Disabled Persons Questionnaire
ASE	American Society of Educators	ATE	Association of Teacher Educators
ASEE	American Society for Engineering Education	ATEA	American Technical Education Association
ASEE	American Society for Environmental Education	ATEC	Aviation Technician Education Council
ASEH	American Society for Environmental History	ATERS	Attitudes Toward Educational Research Scale
ASEI	American Sports Education Institute	ATESL	Association of Teachers of English as a Second Language
ASEP	Automotive Service Education Program (General Motors)	ATFI	Attitudes Toward Feminist Issues Scales
ASET	Academy of Security Educators and Trainees	ATGSB	Admission Test for Graduate Study in Business
ASFSa	American School Food Service Association	ATHI	Attitudes Toward Handicapped Individuals Scale
ASGW	Association for Specialists in Group Work	ATI	Aptitude Treatment Interaction
ASHA	American School Health Association	ATI	Articulation Test of Intelligibility
ASHA	American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	ATJ	Association of Teachers of Japanese
ASHE	Association for the Study of Higher Education	ATLA	American Theological Library Association
ASID	American Society of Interior Designers	ATMS	Attitudes Toward Mainstreaming Scale
ASIDIC	Association of Information and Dissemination Centers	ATP	Admissions Testing Program
ASIS	American Society for Information Science	ATPM	Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine
ASJMC	Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication	ATS	American Technical Society
ASJSA	American Society of Journalism School Administrators	ATS	Association of Theological Schools
ASLHA	American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	ATSR	Attitudes Toward Sex Roles Instrument
ASLNY	Art Students' League of New York	ATTW	Association of Teachers of Technical Writing
ASMT	American Society of Medical Technology	AUBER	Association for University Business and Economic Research
ASOR	American Schools of Oriental Research	AUC	Apple University Consortium
ASOS	A Study Of Schooling	AUCC	Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada
ASPAC	Cultural and Social Center for the Asian and Pacific Region (South Korea)	AUHS	Adapted Uzgritis-Hunt Scales
ASSJ	Association for the Sociological Study of Jewry	AUPHA	Association of University Programs in Health Administration
ASSR	American Society for the Study of Religion	AUSUDIAP	Association of U.S. University Directors of International Agricultural Programs
ASTA	American String Teachers Association	AUU	Association of Urban Universities
ASTD	American Society for Training and Development	AV	Audio-Visual
ASTIIT	American Society for Technion—Israel Institute of Technology	AVEPDA	American Vocational Education Personnel Development Association
ASUC	American Society of University Composers	AVERA	American Vocational Education Research Association
ASVAB	Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery	AVKO	Audio, Visual, Kinesthetic, and Oral
ATA	Academic Travel Abroad	AVKOERF	AVKO Educational Research Foundation
		AVS	Area Vocational Schools
		AVSL	Association of Visual Science Librarians
		AVTA	Automatic Vocal Transaction Analyzer
		AVTI	Area Vocational and Technical Institute
		AWARE	Assisting Women to Advance through Resources and Encouragement Project
		AWCI	Affective-Work Competencies Inventory
		AWE	Association for World Education

AWLNET	Area Wide Library Network (California)	B.Ed.	Bachelor of Education
AWS	Attitudes Toward Women Scale	B.E.E.	Bachelor of Electrical Engineering
AWU	Association for World University	BEM	Behavior Engineering Model
AYA	American Yoga Association	BEOG	Basic Education Opportunity Grants
		BEP	Basic Education Program
B.A.	Bachelor of Arts	BERA	Business Education Research of America
BABEL	Bay Area Bilingual Education League (California)	BEST	Basic Educational Skills through Technology Project (U.S. Department of Education)
BAEF	British American Educational Foundation	BEST	Better Educational Services through Testing Project (Kansas)
BAI	Bell Adjustment Inventory	BETA	Bilingual Evaluation Technical Assistance Project
B.A.in Ed.	Bachelor of Arts in Education	B.F.A.	Bachelor of Fine Arts
BALLOTS	Bibliographic Automation of Large Library Operations using a Timesharing System	BHEF	Business-Higher Education Forum
BAN	Best Asymptotically Normal	BI	Brain Injured
BARS	Behaviorally Anchored Rating Scales	BIA	Braille Institute of America
B.A.S.	Bachelor of Arts in Science	BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs (U.S. Department of the Interior)
BAS	Bibliographic Access System	BIBCON	Bibliographic Records Conversion
BAS	British Ability Scales	BIBLIOS	Book Inventory Building and Library Oriented System
BASA	Behavioral Assessment of Speech Anxiety	BICCC	Business Industry Community College Coalition
BASIC	Beginner's All-Purpose Symbolic Instruction Code	BICS	Basic Interpersonal Communicative Skills
BASIS	Basic Achievement Skills Individual Screener	BID	Bellevue Index of Depression
BASIS	Battelle Automated Search Information System	BINL	Bilingual Inventory of Natural Languages
BAT	Behavioral Assertiveness Test	BIOSIS	Biosciences Information Service
BAT	Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training (U.S. Department of Labor)	BIP	Bakersfield Individualized Process
BATR	Beginning Assessment Test of Reading	BL	British Library
B.B.A.	Bachelor of Business Administration	BLRI	Barrett-Lennard Relationship Inventory
BBB	Building Better Boards for Community Organizations Project (American Association of Community and Junior Colleges)	BLS	Bureau of Labor Statistics (U.S. Department of Labor)
BCAC	Biology Classroom Activity Checklist	BLSA	Black Law Student Association
BCALA	Black Librarians Caucus (American Library Association)	BLST	Bankson Language Screening Test
BCC	Border College Consortium	B.M.	Bachelor of Music
BCR	Bibliographic Center for Research	B.M.E.	Bachelor of Music Education
BCTF	British Columbia Teachers' Federation	B.Mus.Ed.	Bachelor of Music Education
B.D.	Bachelor of Divinity	BOCES	Board of Cooperative Educational Services
BD	Behavior Disorder or Behaviorally Disordered	BOLT	Bahia Oral Language Test
B.D.A.	Bachelor of Domestic Arts	BOOTS	Basic Organizing/Optimizing Training Schedules (U.S. Navy)
BDAE	Boston Diagnostic Aphasia Examination	BPC	Behavior Problem Checklist
BDHI	Buss Durkee Hostility Inventory	BRAIN	Baruch Retrieval of Automated Information for Negotiations
BDI	Beck Depression Inventory	BRI	Basic Reading Inventory
B.E.	Bachelor of Engineering	BRISC	Brighton Reading and Individualized Skills Continuum
BE	Bilingual Education	BRP	Behavior Rating Profile
BE	Black English	BRPT	Behavioral Role-Playing Test
BEA	Bilingual Education Act of 1968	BRS	Bibliographic Retrieval Service
BEA	Broadcast Education Association	B.S.	Bachelor of Science
BEAM	Business Education Association of Maine	BSA	Bibliographic Society of America
BEBA	Bilingual Education Bibliographic Abstracts	BSAP	Basic Skills Assessment Program (South Carolina)
BECBSG	Big Eight Council on Black Student Government	B.S.C.E.	Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
BECSAS	Barclay Early Childhood Skill Assessment Center	B.S.Ch.E.	Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering
		BSCS	Biological Sciences Curriculum Study

B.S.E.	Bachelor of Science in Engineering	CAEO	Coalition of Adult Education Organizations
B.S.Ed.	Bachelor of Science in Education	CAEP	Connecticut Assessment of Educational Progress
B.S.E.E.	Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering	CAFIAS	Cheffers' Adaptation of Flanders' Interaction Analysis System
BSID	Bayley Scales of Infant Development	CAG	Computer-Assisted Guidance
BSLS	Basic Skills Learning System	CAHEA	Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation
BSM	Bilingual Syntax Measure	CAI	Computer-Assisted Instruction
B.S.M.E.	Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering	CAID	Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf
B.S.Med.Tech.	Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology	CAIN	Computer Anxiety Index
B.S.N.	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	CAIS	Canadian Association for Information Science
B.S.Pharm.	Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy	CAISH	Computer Assisted Instruction and Support for the Handicapped
BSRI	Bern Sex Role Inventory	CAITE	Computer Aided Instruction for Teacher Education
BSSE	Beliefs about Science and Science Education Scale	CAITS	Computer-Aided Interactive Testing System
BSUF	British Schools and Universities Foundation	CAJE	Coalition for Alternatives in Jewish Education
BT	Broader Term	CAL	Center for Applied Linguistics
BTANYS	Business Teachers Association of New York State	CAL	Composite Assessment of Leverage
BTBC	Boehm Test of Basic Concepts	CAL	Computer-Assisted Learning
BTES	Beginning Teacher Evaluation Study	CALA	Chinese-American Librarians Association
BTI	Boston Theological Institute	CALIB	Computer Assisted Language Instruction Bibliography
BUF	Black United Front	CALICO	Computer Assisted Language Learning and Instruction Consortium
BURSAR	Not an acronym: Name of a software program that monitors funds generated through extracurricular activities	CALIP	Computer Aptitude, Literacy, and Interest Profile
CA	Chemical Abstracts	CALL	Computer-Assisted Language Learning
CA	Chronological Age	CALLS	California Academic Libraries List of Serials
CAA	College Art Association of America	CALP	Cognitive/Academic Language Proficiency
CAAE	Canadian Association for Adult Education	CAL-SOAP	California Student Opportunity and Access Program
CAAT	Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology (Ontario)	CAM	Computer-Aided Manufacturing
CAB	Comprehensive Ability Battery	CAMP	College Assistance Migrant Program
CACI	Catholic Alumni Clubs, International	CAMPS	Cooperative Area Manpower Planning Systems
CACREP	Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs	CAMPUS	Comprehensive Analytical Model for Planning in the University Sphere
CAD	Computer-Aided Design	CANE	Classical Association of New England
CADAM	Computer-Graphics Augmented Design and Manufacturing System	CAN/OLE	Canadian On-Line Enquiry
CADMS	Costing and Data Management System (National Center for Higher Education Management Systems)	CANRIS	Child Abuse and Neglect Reprint and Inquiry Systems
CAD PI	Computer Assisted Diagnostic and Prescription Instruction	CAP	Client Assistance Program (Rehabilitation Act of 1973)
CADRE	Collegial Association for the Development and Renewal of Educators	CAP	Concepts About Print Test
CAE	Certificate in Adult Education	CAPE	Community Alliance Program for Ex-Offenders
CAE	Computer-Aided Engineering	CAPE	Council for American Private Education
CAE	Council on Anthropology and Education	CAPHE	Consortium for the Advancement of Private Higher Education
CAEF	Chinese-American Educational Foundation	CAPS	ERIC Clearinghouse on Counseling and Personnel Services
CAEL	Cooperative Assessment of Experiential Learning Project		
CAEL	Council for the Advancement of Experiential Learning		