Definition of Academic Entity for Eligibility to Participate in the VMware Academic Purchase Program

U.S. Academic Definition and Requirements:
An Academic Institution is defined as an accredited institution, and must be organized and operated for educational purposes. The institution also must not be on the VMware Academic Buying Program non-eligible list, and must meet one of the following criteria:

- Public or private elementary, secondary, vocational school, correspondence school, junior college, university, post-graduate school such as a medical college, law school, or business school, management school board, school for the disabled, scientific, research or technical institutions accredited by U.S. Department of Education and State Board of Education, or, by associations recognized by U.S. Department of Education, including the district, regional and State Administrative offices.
- Religious organization whose purchases are predominately for the private schools they administer such as Catholic Dioceses.
- Administrative Offices or Board of Education for academic institutions as defined as:
  - A district, regional or state administrative office of public educational institutions
  - Administrative entities organized and operated exclusively for private academic institutions
  - Other state or local government entities whose activities consist of administrative support or services for the advancement of public academic institutions.
- Full-time or part-time faculty, staff, or, matriculated students in good academic standing at an accredited academic institution.
- Libraries associated with an accredited academic institution
- Hospitals and teaching hospitals that are wholly owned and operated by an academic institution.
- Higher Education Research laboratories that are associated with an academic institution, recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, and teach students as part of their research mission.
- Academic skus are only to be used in Academic accounts by the VMware SLED and partner account teams.

Organizations not considered to be Academic Institutions for the purpose of this program, and not eligible to participate in the VMware Academic Buying Program include:

- Daycare, pre-school or early education facilities for children up to five years of age.
- Non-accredited schools, inclusive of religious or church associated schools
- Libraries operated separate from an educational facility such as libraries associated with local governments.
- Any trade, vocational school or training center granting certificates for courses such as computer software training, including without limitation: Ziff Davis University, Learning Tree University, New Horizon Computer Learning Center and Teacher Training Centers.
- Military schools that do not grant academic degrees
- Research laboratories not recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, nor institutions recognized by other government branches such as the U.S. Department of Defense or Energy. In addition, laboratories qualified as Federally Funded Research and Development Centers (FFRDC) and University Affiliated Research Centers (UARC), such as Los Alamos National Laboratory or Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory are not eligible.
- Museums and local Fine Arts teaching facilities
- Healthcare Institutions and/or Systems not affiliated with the COTH, ACGME, and/or UHC.
- Non-Profit non-charitable organizations such as the United Nations or Red Cross
- Labor or political organizations
Rest of World (Outside the U.S.) Academic Definition and Requirements:
An Academic Institution is defined as an accredited institution, and must be organized and operated for educational purposes. The institution must also not be on the VMware Academic Buying Program non-eligible list, and must meet one of the following criteria:

• Public or private elementary, secondary, vocational school, correspondence school, university, post-graduate school such as a medical college, law school, or business school, management school board, school for the disabled, scientific, research or technical institutions accredited by, or by associations recognized by the Country, Regional, and/or Provencial Government Education Ministries, Department of Education or Education Agencies.
• Religious organization whose purchases are predominately for the private schools they administer such as Catholic Dioceses.
• Administrative Offices or Board of Education for academic institutions as defined as:
  – A district, regional or state administrative office of public educational institutions
  – Administrative entities organized and operated exclusively for private academic institutions
  – Other state or local government entities whose activities consist of administrative support or services for the advancement of public academic institutions.
• Full-time or part-time faculty, staff, or, matriculated students in good academic standing at an accredited academic institution.
• Libraries associated with an accredited academic institution
• Hospitals and teaching hospitals that are wholly owned and operated by an academic institution.
• Higher Education Research laboratories that are associated with an academic institution, recognized by Country, Regional, and/or Provencial Education Ministries, Department of Education or Education Agencies, and teach students as part of their research mission.

Organizations not considered to be Academic Institutions for the purpose of this program, and not eligible to participate in the VMware Academic Buying Program include:

• Daycare, pre-school or early education facilities for children up to five years of age
• Non-accredited schools, inclusive of religious or church associated schools
• Libraries operated separate from an educational facility such as libraries associated with local governments.
• Any trade or vocational school that operates as a corporation whose sole and primary function is the operation of a “For Profit” or publicly traded institution.
• Training centers, schools or corporations granting certificates or competencies for courses such as computer software training.
• Military schools that do not grant academic degrees
• Research laboratories not recognized by the Country, Regional, and/or Provencial Education Ministries, Department of Education or Education Agencies, nor institutions recognized by other government branches such as the Department of Defense.
• Museums and local Fine Arts teaching facilities
• Healthcare Institutions and/or Systems not recognized or affiliated with the Country, Regional, and/or Provencial healthcare institutions.
• Non-profit non-charitable organizations such as the United Nations or Red Cross
• Labor or political organizations
US / Canada Accredited schools are those that are approved by an association recognized by the US. Dept of Education / State Board of Education or the Canadian / Provincial Ministries of Education and that teach students as their primary focus. In the U.S., such associations include: Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Northwest Association of Accredited Schools.