

<i>Comparison of Schools</i>	International Diving Institute	CDA Technical Institute
<i>Certification Level</i>	Internationally-recognized certification	Internationally-recognized certification
<i>Underwater Welding</i>	Lloyd's Register (international) and in-house certifications	In-house certification
<i>Student-to-instructor ratio</i>	Up to 12:1	Up to 30:1
<i>Financing options</i>	VA Benefits Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Sallie Mae Student Loans Others	VA Benefits Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Sallie Mae Student Loans Others
<i>Training Cost (Tuition, Gear, Books, Dive Physical)</i>	\$24,000	\$27,699
<i>Scuba certification</i>	Free	\$550
<i>Housing and Meal Costs</i>	\$2,600	\$5,425
<i>Parking</i>	Free	\$200
<i>Length of training</i>	5 months	5 months
<i>Facilities</i>	Wet tanks River diving station Classrooms Deep water diving facility	Wet tanks River diving station Classrooms Deep water diving facility
<i>Accreditation</i>	National accreditation (ACCET)	National accreditation (ACCET)