

FOREIGN CREDENTIALS

If your degrees (undergraduate and graduate) were issued by a university outside of Canada or the U.S.A., you must have them evaluated to determine if they are comparable in academic level to degrees from a Canadian university.

Such evaluations can be completed by either:

World Education Services (WES)
45 Charles Street East, Suite 700
Toronto, Ontario
M4Y 1S2
Canada
Telephone (416)-972-0070
Web: <http://www.wes.org/ca/>

[Applicants concerned about the duration of the evaluation process should check directly with WES; however, information retrieved from the WES website in April 2010 indicated “Evaluations are completed in just 10 days, once all necessary documents and fees have been received. An evaluation can be expedited (using our Same-Day or 3-Day rush services) for an additional fee.”]

or

Comparative Education Service (CES) of the University of Toronto
315 Bloor Street West
Toronto, Ontario
M5S 1A3
Canada
Telephone: (416) 978-2190
Web: <http://learn.utoronto.ca/ces.htm>

(Applicants concerned about the duration of the evaluation process should check directly with CES; however, information retrieved from the CES website in April 2010 indicated that rush service is available for an additional fee and can be completed in 5 days provided all necessary documentation is received. A deadline was not stated for regular service. Information retrieved also indicated that estimated processing time may increase during particularly busy periods.)

The evaluation must demonstrate that the degrees in psychology are at the required academic level in order for you to become registered. While the statement from the evaluation service will indicate to the Board whether the academic credentials are comparable in academic level to degrees granted by a Canadian university, the Board completes and evaluation to make a final determination that the degrees are in accordance with the Board’s registration requirements, whether the content of the degree(s) constitutes a degree in psychology acceptable to Board.

If a university outside Canada or the United States is unable to send a transcript directly to the Board, the Board may accept a notarized copy of the transcript the university issued to the applicant. If the transcript and official university documents are in a language other than English, the applicant must arrange to have these documents translated by an official translator.

Once you have arranged for the evaluation of your academic credentials and for your university transcripts, or a notarized copy, to be sent to the Board, you may proceed with completing the other steps in the registration process that are similar for all applicants. This information is available from the following link:

<http://www.nsbep.org/pages/forms.html#REGULAR APPLICANT>

The Nova Scotia Office of Immigration provides information on its website relevant to internationally trained individuals. The website address is

<http://novascotiainmigration.com/living-in-nova-scotia>

The Government of Canada has produced a search tool called "Working in Canada" to help individuals identify occupations in Canada for which they may be qualified. This tool is available at <http://www.credentials.gc.ca/>