

THE CREDENTIAL DOCTOR IS IN!!

Q: What will your institution accept as an official translation?

A: Credential evaluators from AICE/NACES/ATA or professors at the institution (if approved by the college)
(Elle Shroyer)

Q: What's up with credentials from Russia being in Spanish

A: The USSR issued documents in Spanish & Russian for international students from Latin America, Spain, Equatorial Guinea, and even Lusophone countries -Barbara Glave

Q: Explain accreditation of music school programs in Costa Rica.

A: Costa Rica has two types of accreditation. One is institutional and less important the other is programmatic and is very important. You should ask for proof that the music school program is recognized by CONESUP. – B. Glaves

Q: Have you encountered this credential at all? Do you feel comfortable recognizing this as equivalent to UK O and A-level exams? (icce.education site quotes org.(UK NARIC) as having benchmarked this credential against UK exams)

A: The credential prepares students for further religious studies and in general UK universities require other credentials such as IGCSE or A-levels for university admission.

– Kenneth Warren

Q: Official translation?

A: In the U.S., the primary source of translator certification is the American Translators Association (ATA). Government entities like state courts do offer “interpreter” certification also. Evaluation associations like NACES/AICE do not certify translators.

Q: What do you do when you receive credentials you suspect as fraudulent?

A: -request documents from HS, compare with other records in your file, contact others with students from that country, contact institution directly (Jean / Elle)

Q: Do you require transcripts for a country with national leaving examinations (WAEC, GCE, etc)?

A: For graduated students, we only require the leaving examination results. (Peggy Bell Hendrickson)

Q: What is your policy when the applicant has completed the program / exams but the official results / certificate / degree has not yet been awarded?

A: If your institution makes early admission decisions, then the HS transcript is the only document available if you don't want them to wait until their results come out. It is important to note that grades on the HS transcript are often **NOT** reflective of grades on a WAEC or GCE.

Q: What kind of credentials or academic requirements do students from South Asia / Middle East need for university / college admission?

A: request HS records, know how many years comprise the program to determine the US equivalent, review country resources.
(Jean / Elle)

QA: Is the Pakistan Results Intimation Card a one page document with 2 years of courses (5-6) courses?

AA: Yes

QB: Will a certificate always be issued upon completion

AB: Recommend a series of credits, no Associate's equivalency, undergraduate credits only. Students almost certainly did complete the bachelor degree but doesn't have the certificate.

Q: When evaluating high school transcripts from France, do you calculate GPA for each year of high school, or do you use the grades on the Baccalaureat Exam?

A: We use the grades of the Bacc, which is the leaving certificate. It is important to be consistent in treatment of various countries. If you use WAEC for Nigeria and O/AS/A levels for the UK, then you should use the BACC. (Beth Cotter)

Q: Outcomes based learning from Walesm should we require HSC scores?

A: Yes, you need the HSC scores (Jean)