

Policy for SPHIS on Credential Evaluation

SPHIS will accept foreign credentials from Graduate School if official (originals or notarized copies). In addition, a foreign credential evaluation is required at the time of application to **ALL** SPHIS programs.

This evaluation must be done through one of the following agencies or another agency that is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES)

<http://www.naces.org/>.

To be acceptable, the foreign credential evaluation must include/describe:

- Official copy of transcript in foreign language **AND** Certified official copy of transcript translated word for word in English
Suppressed transcripts will not be accepted.
- The type of education received by the applicant;
- The level of education in relation to the U.S. education system, and state that its comparability recommendations follow the general guidelines of the U.S. National Council for the Evaluation of Foreign Educational Credentials;
- The content of the applicant's educational program earned abroad and the standard obtained;
- The status of the awarding foreign school's recognition and legitimacy in its home country's education system; and
- Any other information of interest such as what the evaluation service did to obtain this information, the qualifications of the evaluator, and any indications as to other problems such as forgery.

Foreign credential evaluations that do not contain the above information or that state there is insufficient information provided by the applicant on which to base an evaluation should not be accepted.

International student applications will not be considered for admission to any SPHIS program until a complete evaluation is received.

Credential Evaluation Waiver

A waiver would be granted under the following conditions:

An international M.D. who is currently in a residency, fellowship training program or in private practice. This credential evaluation is already part of their application process to the training program.

An international student who has received a degree from a college or university within the United States.

Credential Verification

Transcripts must be evaluated by one of the following services:

Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc.

Phone: (414) 289-3400

Fax: (414) 289-3411

email: eval@ece.org

<http://www.ece.org>

Education Evaluators International, Inc.

Phone: (562) 431-2187

Fax: (562) 493-5021

email: Gary@educei.com

Education International, Inc.

Phone: (781) 235-7425

Fax: (781) 235-6831

email: edint@gis.net

<http://www.educationinternational.org>

Educational Perspectives, nfp.

Phone: (312) 421-9300

Fax: (312) 421-9353

email: info@educational-perspectives.org

<http://www.educational-perspectives.org>

Educational Records Evaluation Service, Inc.

Phone: (916) 921-0790

Fax: (916) 921-0793

email: edu@eres.com

<http://www.eres.com>

Evaluation Service, Inc.

Phone: (845) 223-6455

Fax: (845) 223-6454

email: esi2@frontiernet.net

<http://www.evaluationservice.net>

Foreign Academic Credential Service, Inc.

Phone: (618) 656-5291

Fax: (618) 656-5292

<http://www.facsusa.com>

The Foreign Educational Document Service

Phone: (209) 948-6589

Global Credential Evaluators, Inc.

Phone: (512) 528-0908

Fax: (512) 528-9293

email: gce@gceus.com

<http://www.gceus.com> or <http://www.gcevaluators.com>

Foundation for International Services, Inc.

Phone: (425) 487-2245

Fax: (425) 487-1989

email: info@fis-web.com

<http://www.fis-web.com>

Global Services Associates, Inc.

Phone: (310) 828-5709

Fax: (310) 828-5709

email: info@globaleval.org

<http://www.globaleval.org>

International Consultants of Delaware, Inc.

Phone: (302) 737-8715

Fax: (302) 737-8756

email: icd@icdel.com

<http://icdel.com>

International Education Research Foundation, Inc.

Phone: (310) 258-9451

Fax: (310) 342-7086

email: information@ierf.org

<http://www.ierf.org>

Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.

International Education Consultants

Phone: (305) 273-1616

Fax: (305) 273-1338

Fax: (305) 273-1984 (Translations)

email: info@jsilny.com

<http://www.jsilny.com>

SpanTran Educational Services, Inc.

Phone: (713) 266-8805

Fax: (713) 789-6022

email: info@spantran-edu.org

<http://www.spantran-edu.org>

World Education Services, Inc.

Phone: (212) 966-6311

Fax: (212) 739-6100

email: info@wes.org

<http://www.wes.org>

The required documentation is a comprehensive course by course report which

- lists all subjects completed at the post-secondary level
- provides a U.S. semester credit and grade equivalent for each course
- provides a U.S. grade point average (GPA) or a 4.0 scale, and
- designates the level (upper or lower) of each undergraduate course (for applicants who have selected education as their primary purpose)