

EVALUATING CREDENTIALS WITH A GLOBAL MINDSET

EXPLORING OUR DIFFERENCES AND SIMILARITIES

TAICEP

Annual Conference
Rome, Italy
September , 2017

PRESENTERS

PRESENTERS



Kate Freeman

Senior Credential Analyst Consultant

SpanTran: The Evaluation Company

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania USA



PRESENTERS



Rolf Lofstad

Deputy Director of Foreign Education

Norwegian Agency for Quality Assurance in Education/NOKUT

Oslo, NORWAY



PRESENTERS



Jessica Stannard

Policy Officer

NUFFIC

The Hague, NETHERLANDS

nuffic
meet the world

PRESENTERS



Tracey Torrance

International Credential Evaluator

International Credential Evaluation Service

Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA



PRESENTERS



Emily Tse

Director of Evaluations


International Education Research Foundation/IERF

Los Angeles, California USA



SESSION OUTLINE

- Small group discussion of sample credentials
- Panel's equivalencies
- General discussion of variations in equivalencies



CREDENTIALS REVIEW

NORTHERN CYPRUS: YÜKSEK LISANS DERCESINI

Kuzey Kıbrıs Türk Cumhuriyeti
DOĞU AKDENİZ ÜNİVERSİTESİ



The Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY

Lisansüstü Eğitim Öğretim ve
Araştırma Enstitüsünün
önerisi ve Üniversite Senatosunun onayıyla

Bankacılık ve Finans Programında
Yüksek Lisans Derecesini

tüm yetkileriyle birlikte almaya hak kazanmıştır.

13 Ağustos 2013



Prof. Dr. Elvan Yılmaz
Müdür / Director

The authority of the University Senate and upon
the recommendation of the
Institute of Graduate Studies
and Research
confers upon

the degree of
Master of Science (M.S.)
in Banking and Finance

with all its rights, privileges and responsibilities
given under the seal of Eastern Mediterranean University.

13 August 2013



Prof. Dr. Abdullah Y. Öztoprak
Rektör / Rector

2-year Master of Science in Banking and Finance

HOW DO YOU EVALUATE CREDENTIALS FROM NORTHERN CYPRUS?

NORTHERN CYPRUS: YÜKSEK LISANS DERCESINI

CANADA

Equivalent to a master's degree; institution is operating in Northern Cyprus, but is recognized by the Council of Higher Education of Turkey; rationale: The northern part of Cyprus is administered by Turkey and purports to be a separate republic called the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. The only country that recognizes it as such is Turkey. From legislation outlined on the Ministry of Education website it appears that private education and the programs offered by private institutions are covered by laws of reasonable strength.

NETHERLANDS

Master's degree (from Turkey) awarded by a research-oriented university

NORWAY

NOKUT would not award general recognition because Norway does not recognize Turkey as the legitimate authority of Northern Cyprus. Norwegian HEIs evaluate qualifications from Northern Cyprus based on level and content. Since academic recognition at HEIs are individual decisions for admission and further studies, the result could range from nil to master's degree (120 ECTS)

NORTHERN CYPRUS: YÜKSEK LISANS DERCESINI

USA

SpanTran

- Master of Science because EMU is recognized by the Council of Higher Education of Turkey

IERF

- Master of Science

SPAIN: ENGINEERING PROGRAMS



SPAIN: ENGINEERING PROGRAMS

5-year University Title of Industrial Engineer (first-cycle program) vs. 1-year Official Master of Mechanical Engineering

DO YOU CONSIDER THEM TO BE AT THE SAME EDUCATIONAL LEVEL?

SPAIN: ENGINEERING PROGRAMS

CANADA

- ICES considers the 5-year *título universitario* to be at the same level as the 2-year *master universitario*
- Equivalency of 5-year *título universitario* to completion of a bachelor's and master's degree in engineering

NETHERLANDS

- 5-year university title: master's degree awarded by a research-oriented university
- 2-year master: master's degree awarded by a research-oriented university

NORWAY

- The 5-year university title and the 2-year master are considered to be at the same level.
- 5-year degree: master's degree/300 ECTS; 2-year degree: master's degree/120 ECTS

SPAIN: ENGINEERING PROGRAMS

USA

SpanTran

- 5-year university title: Bachelor and Master of Science
- 1-year master: Master of Science
- We would consider both to be at the same level as they both are accepted for admission to doctoral programs in Spain

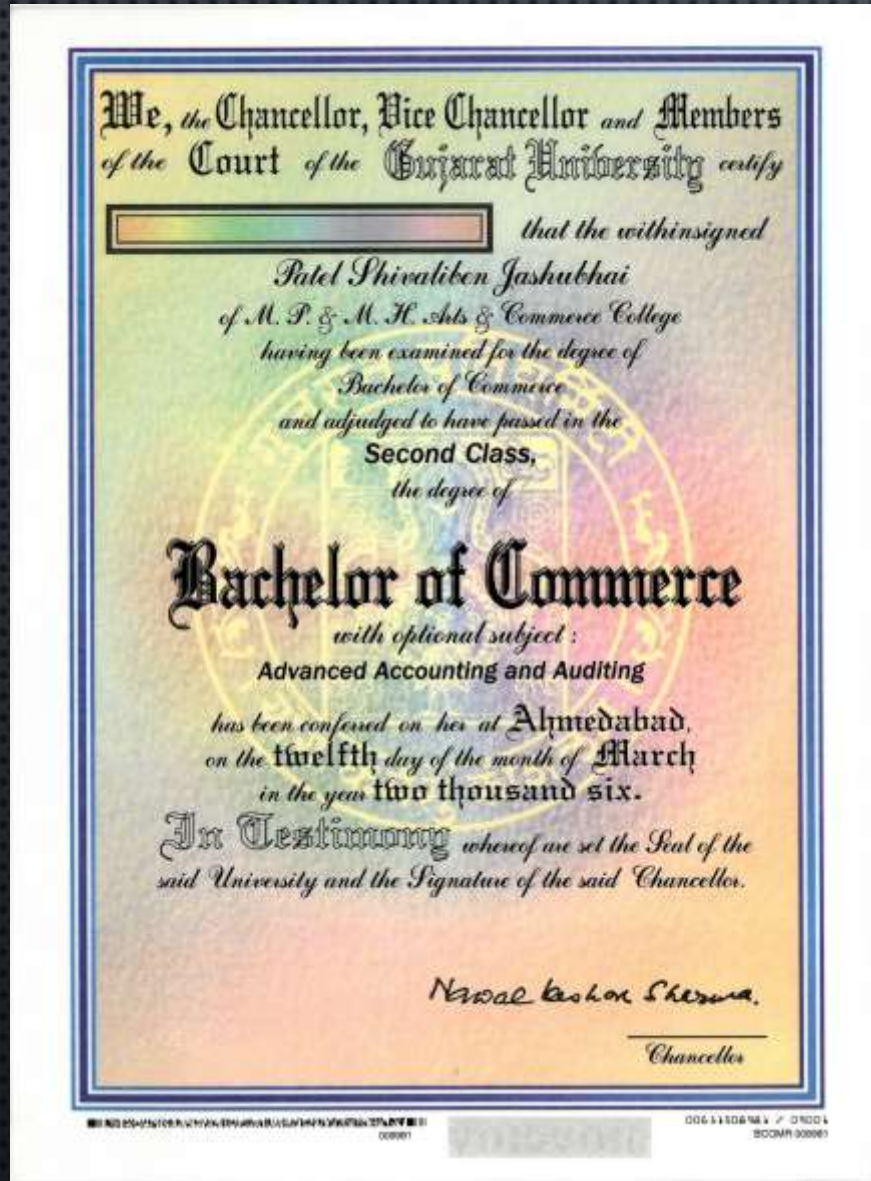
IERF

- 5- year university title: Bachelor of Science
- 1-year master: Master of Science

INDIA: BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

3-year Bachelor of Commerce (banking and finance)

HOW DO YOU VIEW 3-YEAR DEGREES FROM INDIA?



INDIA: BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

CANADA

Three-year bachelor's degree

NETHERLANDS

3 years of a 4-year program offered by a university of applied sciences

NORWAY

Comparable to a Norwegian "Høyskolekandidatgrad" – 2 years, 120 ECTS

USA

SpanTran

- Completion of 3 years of undergraduate study of business

IERF

- 90 semester credits (3 years of study)

NETHERLANDS: BACHELOR'S DEGREES



NETHERLANDS: BACHELOR'S DEGREES

3-year degree from a university vs. 4-year degree from a university of applied sciences

DO YOU CONSIDER THEM TO BE AT THE SAME EDUCATIONAL LEVEL?

NETHERLANDS: BACHELOR'S DEGREES

CANADA

- Three-year university degree equivalent to a three-year bachelor's degree in Canada; may be considered for graduate admission provided marks and content meet required standards
- Four-year degree from a university of applied sciences is equivalent to a four-year bachelor's degree

NORWAY

- Three-year university degree equivalent to a Norwegian three-year bachelor's degree; admission requirement: VWO or HAVO + propedeuse from university of applied science
- Four-year university of applied science equivalent to three-year bachelor's degree; we do not recognize the first year of study; our admission requirements are the same as those at Dutch universities

USA

SpanTran

- Three-year university bachelor's degree equivalent to three years of undergraduate study
- Four-year bachelor's degree from university of applied science is equivalent to a bachelor's degree

IERF

- 3-year degree from university: 90 semester credits (3 years of study)
- 4-year degree from university of applied sciences: Bachelor of Science

USA: HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS

Local ID: MD State ID: Montgomery County Public Schools, Rockville, MD Page 1 of 1
 Secondary Transcript
 Date as of: 7/11/2018
 BETHESDA, MD
 D.O.B.: 1097 Gender: M Grade: 12

Grade: 9					Grade: 10					Grade: 11				
GR	CR	H/C	WD	School	GR	CR	H/C	WD	School	GR	CR	H/C	WD	School
CUM GPA 2.1 CUM WGPA 2.1					CUM GPA 1.83 CUM WGPA 2					CUM GPA 1.82 CUM WGPA 2				
FINE ARTS OTHER	C	0.50		NON-HON SCH	BRIDGE TO ALG B	A	0.50		NON-HON SCH	ALGEBRA 2A	SS	0.50		NON-HON SCH
FOREIGN LANG	C	0.50		NON-HON SCH	COMPUTER PROG 1A	D	0.50		ADV	ALGEBRA 2B	C	0.50		CH
MATHEMATICS OTH	D	0.50		NON-HON SCH	COMPUTER PROG 1B	E	0.50		ADV	AP GOVNL US NGL A	D	0.50		ADV
MATHEMATICS OTH	D	0.50		NON-HON SCH	GENR. PHYS ED 2	C	0.50		NON-HON SCH	AP GOVNL US NGL B	C	0.50		ADV
CHEMISTRY B	C	0.50		CM	HON BIOLOGY A	C	0.50		HON	FOUND OF TECH A	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH
ENGLISH 9A	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH	HON BIOLOGY B	D	0.50		HON	FOUND OF TECH B	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH
ENGLISH 9B	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH	HON ENGLISH 1A	C	0.50		HON	HON ALGEBRA 2A	E	0.00		ADV
GENR. PHYS ED 2	C	0.50		CM	HON ENGLISH 1B	D	0.50		HON	HON ENGLISH 1A	C	0.50		HON
PHYSICS A	C	0.50		CM	HON HEALTH ED	D	0.50		HON	HON ENGLISH 1B	B	0.50		HON
SPANISH 1A	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH	HON NGL GOVERN A	C	0.50		HON	HON PHYSICS A	D	0.50		HON
					HON NGL GOVERN B	B	0.50		HON	HON PHYSICS B	E	0.00		HON
					SPANISH 2A	D	0.50		CM	PE WRIGHT TRNG	A	0.50		NON-HON SCH
					SPANISH 2B	D	0.50		CM	PE WRIGHT TRNG	A	0.50		NON-HON SCH
										VIDEO FLR PRD A	E	0.00		NON-HON SCH
										VIDEO FLR PRD B	E	0.00		NON-HON SCH

Grade: 12					Grade: 12				
GR	CR	H/C	WD	School	GR	CR	H/C	WD	School
CUM GPA 1.75 CUM WGPA 1.92					CUM GPA 1.75 CUM WGPA 1.91				
ASTRONOMY A	C	0.50		NON-HON SCH	ASTRONOMY B	D	0.50		NON-HON SCH
ASTRONOMY B	E	0.00		NON-HON SCH	HON MOD WORLD B	D	0.50		HON
CERAMIC/SCULP 2A	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH	LEADERSHIP B	SS	0.50		EMERITUS
GEOMETRY A	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH					
GEOMETRY B	D	0.50		NON-HON SCH					
HON ENGLISH 12A	C	0.50		HON					
HON ENGLISH 12B	C	0.50		HON					
HON MOD WORLD A	D	0.50		HON					
HON MOD WORLD B	E	0.00		HON					
HON US HISTORY A	D	0.50		HON					
HON US HISTORY B	E	0.00		HON					
PE WRIGHT TRNG	C	0.50		NON-HON SCH					
QUANT LIT A	C	0.50		NON-HON SCH					
QUANT LIT B	B	0.50		NON-HON SCH					



GRADUATED
FINAL TRANSCRIPT

Maureen Bonner
Registrar
Maureen Bonner

- X--- DIPLOMA
 - _____ CERTIFICATE OF MERIT
 - _____ CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE
- 06/21/2018 GRADUATION DATE

Bethesda-Chevy Chase High
4201 East-West Highway
Bethesda, MD 20814-4420 240-740-0400

SCHOOL IS ACCREDITED BY MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

In the column labeled "HC": ADV=Advanced Level
 HON=Honors CM=Cert of Merit
 How Courses Taken: MS=Middle Sch EV=Evening Sch SS= Summer Sch OT= Other
 *Course taken outside MCPS

Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, E=0. Prior to 03-04, weighted GPA (WGPA) is calculated A=5, B=4 for Honors courses and A=5, B=4, C=3 for advanced Placement and advanced level courses. Beginning 03-04 school year, weighted GPA (WGPA) is calculated A=5, B=4, C=3 for all honors courses.

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

STUDENT NAME:
 ADDRESS:
 GRADE: 12 GENDER: BIRTH DATE:

Sandusky Central Catholic School
 St. Mary Central Catholic High School
 410 W. Jefferson St
 Sandusky, Ohio 44870
 (419)626-1892

	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2		
Sandusky Central Catholic School			Grading Scale	Phys Ed Exemption: Y
BGSU Gen Studies Writing 1120	A	1.00	A = 100-93	Total Units Earned: 36.00
GENR Response to Lit		B+	B = 92-85	Cumulative GPA: 7
Honors Art IV	A	0.50	C = 84-77	Graduated date: 1
Model United Nations	A	0.50	D = 76-70	School exit date: 1
Teen Leadership (TLG)	A+	0.50	F = 69 and below	
Theology IV	A+	0.50		
University of Toledo		B	P = Passing	
ASTR 1010 Survey of Astronomy		0	WT = Withdraw Fail	
COMM 2190 Media Writing 1		A	NC = No Credit	
ECON 1200 Microeconomics	A-	1.00		
FLM 1310 Introduction to Film	A	1.00		
GEPL 2040 World Regional Geography	A	1.00		
Bowling Green State University		A		
JOUR 410 Principles of Public Relations		0		
Sandusky Central Catholic School		A		
Art III	B+	0.50		ACT
BGSU Gen Studies Writing 1110	B+	0.50		Oral Taken
BGSU Government	B+	0.50		English
Physics II	B+	0.50		Math
Honors English III	B	0.50		Science
Honors Physics	A-	0.50		Writing
Honors Pre-Calculus	B	0.50		Comp
Model United Nations	A	0.50		SAT
Theology III	A+	0.50		Oral Taken
Sandusky Central Catholic School		A		Reading
Algebra II	A	0.50		Math
BGSU History 2050	A	0.50		OGT
BGSU History 2060	A	0.50		Math
BOOKMAKING I	A	0.50		Reading
BOOKMAKING II	A	0.50		Writing
FRENCH II ONLINE	A	0.50		Science
HEALTH	A	0.50		Social Studies
Honors Biology	A-	0.50		
Honors English II	A	0.50		
INTRO TO GRAPHIC DESIGN	A+	0.50		
MODEL UNITED NATIONS	A+	0.50		
SOPH THEOLOGY	A	0.50		
TELEVISION PRODUCTION	A	0.50		
Sandusky Central Catholic School		B+		
Art I	B+	0.50		
BGSU SPEECH	B+	0.50		
FRENCH II ONLINE	A	0.50		
FRENCH III ONLINE	A	0.50		
FRESHMAN THEOLOGY	A+	0.50		
Geometry	A	0.50		
Global Studies	A	0.50		

USA: HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS

U.S. high school diploma with college coursework completed vs. normal curriculum, but low grades

HOW WOULD YOU EVALUATE THEM?

USA: HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS

CANADA

Grade 12 (high school completion). University level courses may be considered by Canadian educational institutions for transfer credit or advanced standing at the first year tertiary level based on grade received and individual course content assessment.

NETHERLANDS

Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School: VMBO-T diploma
Sandusky Central Catholic High School: VWO diploma

NORWAY

Both diplomas treated equally. Admission to Norwegian higher education requires high school graduation diploma plus one year at university earning $\frac{1}{4}$ of the credits required for graduation with a bachelor's degree. The year at the university can be replaced with 3 AP exams with a grade of 3 or better.

CANADA: ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA



Ontario

Ontario Secondary School Diploma Diplôme d'études secondaires de l'Ontario

This Diploma is granted to
Ce diplôme est décerné à

a student of
élève de

Timiskaming District Secondary School

who has fulfilled the requirements for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma
in accordance with the provisions of the Ministry of Education, Ontario
qui a rempli les exigences prescrites pour l'obtention du diplôme d'études secondaires de l'Ontario,
en vertu des dispositions du ministère de l'Éducation de l'Ontario

Dated at /
Delivré à *Timiskaming Shores, Ontario*

the /
ce *24th* day of /
jour de *June, 2016.*

P. S. S. S.
Minister of Education /
Ministre de l'Éducation

C. Brauchamp
Principal /
Directrice de l'école

Ontario		Ministry of Education		ONTARIO STUDENT TRANSCRIPT		Date of Issue	Page	
						2016/06/24	1 of 1	
Surname	Given Name	DOB/DM	Student Number	Gender	Date of Birth	Year	Month	Day
Name of Ontario School Board / School Authority		Number	Name of School	Number	Date of Entry			Day
DSB Ontario North East		B26002	Timiskaming District Secondary School	946940	Year	Month	Day	04
Year	Month	Course Grade/Level	Course Title	Course Code	Percentage Grade	Credit	Completion	Notes
2013	02	9	English	ENG1DA	84	1.00	X	
2013	02	9	Principles of Mathematics	MPM1DA	64	1.00	X	
2013	02	9	Healthy Active Living Education	HPL1OG	70	1.00	X	
2013	02	9	SCIENCE	SCN1DA	84	1.00	X	
2013	06	9	Music	AMU1OB	82	1.00	X	
2013	06	9	VISUAL ARTS	AV11DA	81	1.00	X	
2013	06	9	Issues in Canadian Geography	CGC1DA	78	1.00	X	
2013	06	9	Core French	FSF1DF	67	1.00	X	F
2013	11	10	Career Studies	GLC2OH	82	0.50		
2014	01	10	Visual Arts - Photography	AVW2OA	73	1.00		
2014	01	10	Civics and Citizenship	CHV2OH	91	0.50		
2014	01	10	ENGLISH	ENG2DA	81	1.00	X	
2014	09	10	Canadian History Since World War I	SHC2DA	78	1.00	X	
2014	09	10	Principles of Mathematics	MPM2DA	55	1.00	X	
2014	09	10	Healthy Active Living Education	HPL2OG	77	1.00	X	
2014	09	11	English	ENG2UA	80	1.00	X	
2015	01	10	VISUAL ARTS	AV12DA	92	1.00		
2015	01	11	Visual Arts - Photography	AVW2OA	82	1.00		
2015	01	11	World History to the End of the Fifteenth Century	CHW2MA	90	1.00	X	
2015	01	11	Understanding Canadian Law	CLU2MV	55	1.00		
2015	06	11	Functions	MCR3UA	50	1.00	X	
2015	06	11	Biology	SB13UA	88	1.00	X	
2015	06	12	English	ENG4UA	82	1.00	X	
2015	01	11	American History	CHA3UA	87	1.00		
2015	01	11	Environmental Science	SVN2MA	98	1.00		
2016	01	12	Visual Arts - Photography	AVW3MA	85	1.00		
2016	01	12	World Issues - A Geographic Analysis	OGW4UA	83	1.00		
2016	06	12	English	ENG4U2	86	2.00		C
2016	06	12	The Writer's Craft	EWG4UJ	94	1.00		
2016	06	12	Challenge and Change in Society	HSB4UA	80	1.00		
SUMMARY OF CREDITS						31.00	16.00	
* Completed at another school:								
Community Involvement		Provincial Secondary School Library Requirement		Expenditure Program				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Successfully Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A					
Signature of Candidate		Date of Issue		Signature				
		Year Month		Principal				
		2016 06		<i>C. Brauchamp</i>				
<p>The collection and transmission of this information are authorized under the Education Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.2, s.206. Users of this information are supervisory officers and the principal and teachers of the school. This is the official record of the student's educational history. The student person regarding the collection of this information is the principal of the school. La collecte et la transmission de ces renseignements sont autorisées par la Loi sur l'éducation, L.R.O. de 1990, c.E.2, art. 206. Les renseignements qui y sont relatés sont utilisés par les agents et les enseignants de l'école. Ce document est le dossier officiel de l'étudiant en matière d'éducation. C'est le responsable accrédité de l'école. Pour tout renseignement au sujet de la collecte de ces données, s'adresser à la directrice de l'école.</p> <p>93-23787E (200909) © Queen's Printer for Ontario, 2009. © Imprimeur de la Reine pour l'Ontario, 2009.</p>								

CANADA: ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA

NETHERLANDS

VWO diploma

NORWAY

Equivalent to the Norwegian upper secondary school leaving certificate giving access to higher education in Norway

USA

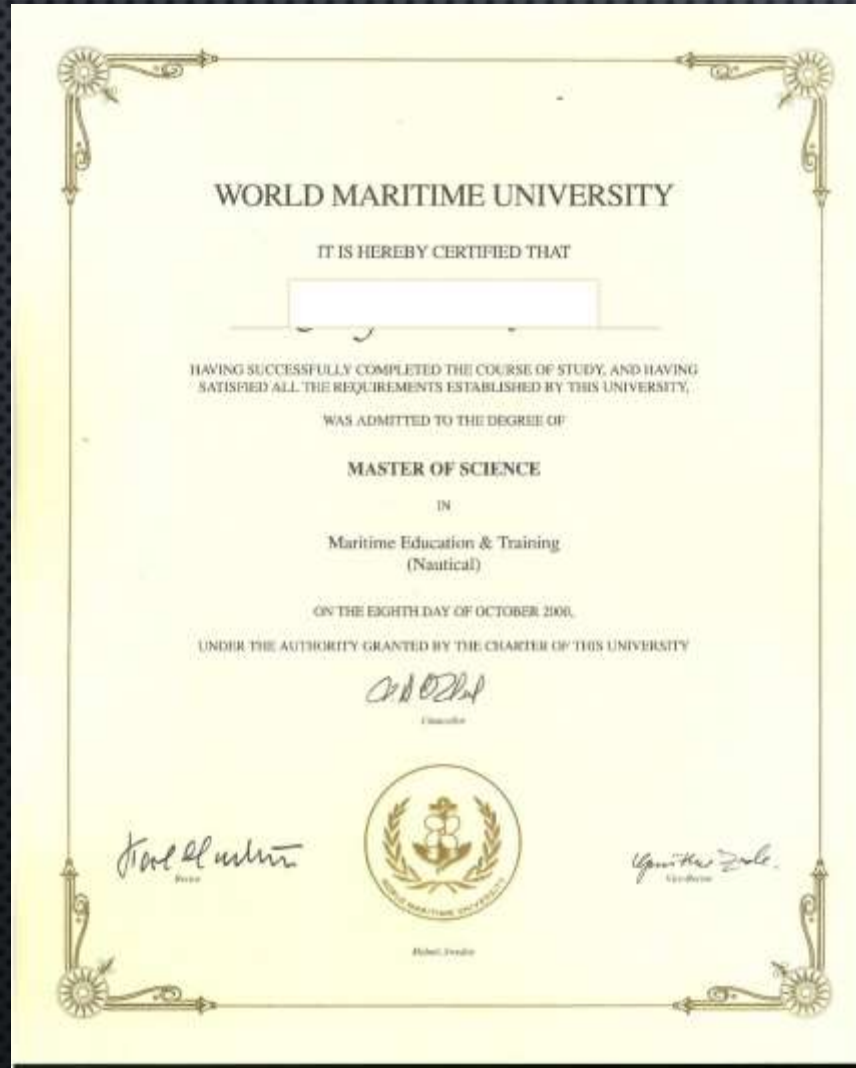
SpanTran

- Equivalent to a senior high school diploma in the U.S.

IERF

- US high school diploma

WORLD MARITIME UNIVERSITY



2-year Master of Science in Maritime Education and Training

DOES NOT BELONG TO ANY STATE – HOW WOULD YOU EVALUATE THIS?

WORLD MARITIME UNIVERSITY

CANADA

Because this institution is not recognized by the Ministry of Education and Science of Sweden, this credential would not normally be recognized or accepted for admission or transfer credit by recognized post-secondary institutions in Canada. WMU is not recognized by Swedish higher education authorities. A WMU Master of Science is regarded as an “international degree” that is not recognized as a regular academic degree in any country.

NETHERLANDS

Because of lack of official accreditation, Nuffic doesn't evaluate degrees from this institution

NORWAY

WMU is a part of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), a United Nations specialized maritime agency. WMU is an education provider that is independent of any individual national education system. WMU is operated by and for all IMO Member States. NOKUT does not award general recognition of degrees from WMU since they do not belong to any individual national state and the quality assurance system is not proven to be on par with European Standards and Guidelines.

WORLD MARITIME UNIVERSITY

USA

SpanTran

- Equivalent to a master's degree in the U.S.; the government of Sweden has granted WMU the status of a UN institution, and, under the provisions of WMU's charter, the Ministry of Education and Research of Sweden granted WMU the right to confer degrees even though it has not granted it recognition

IERF

- Master of Science from an institution without regional recognition

RUSSIA: DIPLOMA OF SECONDARY PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION



RUSSIA: DIPLOMA OF SECONDARY PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Secondary school diploma that prepares for primary school teaching

HOW WOULD YOU EVALUATE IT?

RUSSIA: DIPLOMA OF SECONDARY PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

CANADA

Equivalent to completion of Grade 12 plus additional coursework at the post-secondary level, depending on the total length of study; if 9+4, first three years represent completion of Grade 12, and the final year is comparable to completion of one year of post-secondary study

NETHERLANDS

Evaluation of secondary vocational diplomas from Russia varies from an MBO diploma (Level 4) to one year of a bachelor's program at a university of applied sciences. The evaluation depends on the curriculum and what the student wants to study in the Netherlands.

NORWAY

NOKUT would not recognize this as higher education; we do not currently have a recognition scheme that would cover this credential

USA

SpanTran

- Vocational senior high school diploma plus 1-2 years of undergraduate study

IERF

- US high school diploma plus one year of undergraduate study



KEEP
CALM
AND
ASK
QUESTIONS

дякую
הודות go raibh maith agat ευχαριστώ
ありがとう dankjewel salammat
terima kasih merci teşekkür ederim
شكرا obrigado děkuji
спасибо grazie thank you takk
ačiū danke
nirringrazzjak gratias tibi pakka pér gracias
මාදලොභා ගාදාගිනාදලොත
សូមអរគុណអ្នក
tack hvala maholo