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# Your Guide to International Credential Evaluation



**Founded in 1974**, WES has provided more than four million credential evaluations and partnered with thousands of international students to meet their evaluation report needs and goals.

As one of the original members of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services in the United States, we are committed to maintaining excellence and quality in the field of credential evaluation.

## What is a credential evaluation?

A credential evaluation report compares how your academic records align with standards in the U.S. or Canada. The report helps officials at post-secondary institutions, employers, licensing boards, and immigration authorities better understand the education you received.

## The purpose of a credential evaluation

A credential evaluation report from WES does a couple of important things. First, it carefully identifies and describes your credentials in terms that recipients of your report can fully understand.

A WES report also verifies the academic documents you submit for evaluation. This step assures institutions and organizations that receive a WES report that the assessment is based on valid, authenticated documents. For this reason, a WES credential evaluation is widely accepted across the following areas:



Education



Employment



Immigration



Licensing

## Types of credential evaluations

There are two types of credential evaluation reports: Document-by-Document (DxD) and Course-by-Course (CxC).



**DxD:** A standard DxD report identifies and describes each of your credentials—such as a degree or diploma—that you submit to WES. It also provides the name of the equivalent credential in terms of U.S. or Canadian education.



**CxC:** Like the DxD, a CxC evaluation indicates the U.S. or Canadian equivalency for each credential you have earned. However, this evaluation also includes a detailed analysis of each course listed on your transcript. In addition to providing the name of the equivalent credential, the CxC converts your semester credits and grades and calculates a GPA on a 4.0 scale.

## How WES evaluates three-year bachelor's degrees

WES recognizes some Indian three-year bachelor's degrees as equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree when both of the following conditions are met:



The degrees have been earned in Division I (a classification that indicates a student's academic performance).



The awarding institutions have been accredited by India's National Assessment and Accreditation Council with a grade of "A" or better.

This means that if an individual has earned a bachelor's degree in Division I from a university accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council with a grade of "A" or better, then WES may evaluate that degree as equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree.

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WES always recommends that applicants contact the universities of their choice for specific information about admission requirements. Below is a small sample of universities and graduate programs that are more likely to consider candidates who have a three-year bachelor's degree:

- Carnegie Mellon University
- Columbia University
- Northwestern University
- Syracuse University
- Yale University