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Academic Credential Evaluations

Per USCIS regulations, all foreign degrees must be translated and evaluated for U.S. equivalency if/when the foreign national is the beneficiary of an H-1B or E-3 petition. It is also required for an I-140 employment-based petition for permanent residency.

Therefore, an H-1B or E-3 applicant whose highest degree was awarded from an institution outside of the United States (including Canada) is required to submit an official credentials evaluation of their degree(s) from an accredited agency.

Below is a non-exhaustive list of accreditation services. OIS neither endorses nor recommends any company over another. The list is in alphabetical order.

- Educational Credential Evaluators: <u>www.ece.org</u>
- Evaluation Service, Inc.: www.evaluationservice.net
- Foreign Credential Evaluations Inc.: fceatlanta.net
- Morningside Evaluations: <u>www.morningeval.com</u>
- One Earth International Credential Evaluators: oneearthevaluations.org
- The Trustforte Corporation: www.trustforte.com
- World Education Services: www.wes.org

The following are associations which provide accreditation for these service providers and can also provide a more extensive list of providers:

- AACRAO: www.aacrao.org
- Association of International Credential Evaluators: <u>www.aice-eval.org</u>
- National Association of Credential Evaluation Services: www.naces.org