

21 NCAC 54 .1702 FOREIGN DEGREE APPLICATION

(a) Applicants applying for licensure on the basis of a foreign degree shall provide documentation, in addition to the information required in 21 NCAC 54 .1701 that establishes the following:

- (1) the existence of the degree-granting institution;
- (2) the validity of the degree, transcripts, and any supporting documents;
- (3) the equivalence of the degree in terms of level of training, content of curriculum, and course credits; and
- (4) the equivalence of any supervised experience obtained outside the United States.

Such documentation shall be in the form of a course-by-course evaluation of credentials submitted directly to the Board from an evaluation service that is a member of the National Association of Credentials Evaluation Services, Inc. A listing of members can be found on the National Association of Credentials Evaluation Services, Inc. website, www.naces.org.

(b) Except as described in Paragraph (c) of this Rule, only original documents shall be submitted to the Board in support of the application and the documents shall be received directly from the institution(s) or individual(s) involved.

(c) When an original document cannot be provided directly by the institution or individual involved, an original document possessed by the applicant shall be reviewed and copied by a Board member or designee.

(d) Any document that is in a language other than English shall be accompanied by a translation with a written verification from the translator that the translation into English is accurate and complete. This translation shall be completed by an individual, other than the applicant, who upon written request of the applicant is approved by the Board or a Board designee, and who does not have a relationship with the applicant. Such individuals that shall be approved by the Board as translators include college or university language faculty, a translation service, or an American consul.

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