



## EXPLANATION OF WES EVALUATION

**Evaluation Scope:** World Education Services (WES) evaluates only formal educational credentials issued by duly recognized educational institutions. WES does not convert, nor include, professional experience in its evaluation reports. WES evaluations are based upon the best information and resources available to professional evaluators. WES evaluations are offered as non-binding advisory opinions.

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- OR
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- OR
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Detailed country-by-country document requirements can be viewed at [www.wes.org/required/index.asp](http://www.wes.org/required/index.asp)

**Grades:** WES uses an alphabetic system to identify grades. The standard WES conversion of letter grades into a numerical scale/quality points is as follows:

**Grades/ Quality Points:** A = 4.00; A- = 3.67; B+ = 3.33; B = 3.00; B- = 2.67; C+ = 2.33; C = 2.00; C- = 1.67; D+ = 1.33; D = 1.00; F = 0

"F\*" indicates a course that was failed initially, but passed on a subsequent attempt. (The "F\*" is not included in the GPA calculation.)

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** is determined by multiplying the credits per course by the quality points for the grade for that course, repeating this procedure for each course, totaling the credit hour quality points thus obtained, and dividing by the total number of credits. Failing grades for courses successfully repeated are not calculated in the GPA.

"Pass" is not included in the Cumulative Grade Point Average. For study completed at the undergraduate level, it corresponds to at least a "C" in the United States. For graduate and professional study, "Pass" corresponds to at least a "B".

**Course Level Designation:** The designation "U" (upper) or "L" (lower) against a course at the undergraduate level is an indication of its level.

**Credit Recognition and Transfer:** When provided, the course and credit analysis represents a breakdown of post-secondary study in terms of U.S. semester credits and grade equivalents. The number of credits accepted for transfer to a degree program or towards a professional license in the United States may vary from those listed in this report in accordance with the policies of the receiving educational institution or professional agency.

**Evaluations for Professional Licensing/Certification:** WES does not assess professional aptitude or experience. Only authorities qualified in the profession can determine whether an individual meets specific requirements for licensing or to practice the profession in the United States.

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