RCSI MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF BAHRAIN

Authentication of Academic Qualifications using Apostille

Before you start make sure that your name in your academic documents (Transcripts and Certificates) is spelt as per your valid passport. You must retain the same nationality and passport name for the duration of the programme in RCSI Medical University of Bahrain.

What is Authentication of Documents and why is it needed?

Academic qualifications intended for use in another country must be "authenticated" or "legalized" in order to be recognized as valid in that country. The Higher Education Council (HEC) Bahrain requires all students commencing studies in Bahrain to obtain authentication of their High School/Secondary Transcript, Diploma and Degrees.

What is the difference between Apostille and Notarization

An Apostille is a form of authentication issued for documents that will be used in countries that participate in the Hague Convention of 1961, including the Kingdom of Bahrain. Notarized documents (signed before a notary public) are often enough to prove a document's legitimacy for use in the country where the documents are notarized.

Required documents to be submitted to the university	
For those who have completed their qualification in countries that participate in Hague Convention	• Original Transcript and Completion Certificate (Diploma/Degree/Certificate) • Authenticate the above documents using Apostille The below link provides information regarding appropriate authorities in each country and other information needed regarding Apostille https://www.hcch.net/en/instruments/specialised-sections/apostille

Important Notes:

- If true copies are attested, the unattested original documents must also be submitted.

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Please note that these guidelines are subject to change at the discretion of external authorities such as the Higher Education Council (HEC) Bahrain, Foreign Affairs office, etc.