RCSI MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF BAHRAIN

Authentication of GCSE and A-LEVEL Certificates

Before you start make sure that your name in your GCSE and A-Level 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.

Required documents to be submitted to the university	
Completed in Bahrain	• Original High School Transcript and Diploma/Certificate stamped by the Ministry of Education – Private Education Directorate • Original GCSE and A-Level Certificates stamped by the Ministry of Education – Private Education Directorate • Original Equivalency Letter issued by the Ministry of Education – Private Education Directorate (check with your school as they may process this for you)
Completed Outside of Bahrain	• Original GCSE and A-Level Certificates stamped by the British Council and Ministry of Education – Private Education • Original Equivalency Letter (where available) **Note:** If you have completed your studies in the GCC and obtained the Ministry of Education stamp, the below steps are not required. • Stamp from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Bahrain Embassy in the country where the certificates were acquired (if each was acquired in a different country, they must be stamped in the country they were completed) • Stamp from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Bahrain and the Embassy in Bahrain of the country in which you have studied. For the last point, we can have them done on your behalf. If you wish to avail of this service, please contact attestbahrain@rcsi-mub.com to get the cost associated.
Alternative Option	• Original GCSE and A-Level Certificates to be Apostilled. You may contact the British Council in Bahrain to avail the service or visit the examination board's website to complete the process. **OR** • This link provides information regarding appropriate authorities for each respective 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.