

Selected Canadian Terminology

Bachelor's Degree – First university degree awarded on completion of a 3 or 4-year undergraduate curriculum that includes a major, or concentration, and electives.

Certificate – A qualification awarded on completion of a 1-year post-secondary program.

Diploma – A qualification awarded on completion of a 2 or 3-year post-secondary program.

Earned Doctorate (Ph.D.) – Highest academic degree, awarded on the basis of graduate-level coursework, examinations, original research and dissertation.

First Professional Degree – The first professional degree in a given field (such as Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Dentistry) is usually awarded on completion of professional study. This title alone may not be sufficient to allow the bearer to practice in Canada, as additional licensing requirements must be met.

Grade Point Average (GPA) – A weighted mathematical average of the quality of academic work, as indicated by grades given for all individual courses. This is determined by multiplying the credits per course by the quality points for the grade for each course, totaling them up and dividing by the total number of credits.

Graduate – Study or program undertaken after bachelor's degree, usually in preparation for master's degree or Ph.D. (doctorate).

Major – An area of academic concentration or specialization at the post-secondary level.

Master's Degree – A post-bachelor's degree in a specific field, awarded on the basis of completion of coursework (usually 1-3 years of study) and often a written thesis or project.

Non-recognized Institution – An academic institution that is not recognized in Canada by a provincial government for the purpose of awarding degrees or diplomas.

Postgraduate Certificate – A qualification awarded following a one or two year program following a diploma or bachelor's degree.

Post-Secondary – An institution or program of study at a college or university level that requires the completion of secondary study prior to admission. This level of study is called "post-secondary".

Professional Study – Study and training to become a practitioner of a specific profession, such as medicine, veterinary medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, optometry, etc.

Recognized Institution – An academic institution that is recognized in Canada by a provincial government for the purpose of awarding degrees.

Semester Credit – Defined in Canada as 50 minutes of lecture and classroom study and approximately 2 hours of personal work/study per week, over the course of 15 weeks (or one semester), equivalent to a total of 750 minutes of classroom study per semester.

Individual courses are assigned a set number of credits on the basis of the required hours of lecture and classroom study. The average annual credit load carried by an undergraduate student in Canada is 32-34 semester credits. In Canada, a three-year bachelor's degree usually requires 90-102 semester credits and four years bachelor's degree usually requires 120-136 semester credits.

Secondary School Diploma – Awarded on completion of the secondary level of education in a Canadian province (usually 12 years, 11 years in Québec)

Undergraduate – Study or program completed in connection with first degree or bachelor's degree.

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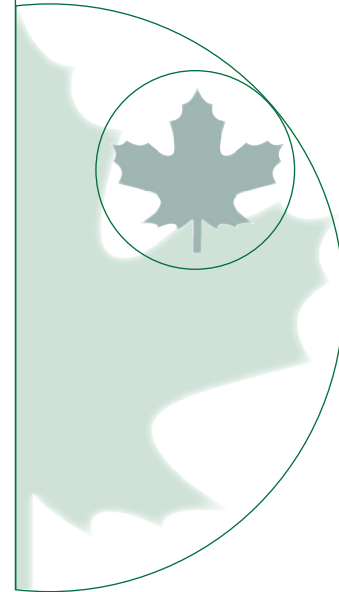
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CREDENTIAL EVALUATION REPORT

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CANADIAN EQUIVALENCY SUMMARY

Bachelor's degree (four years) in finance from a recognized university

CREDENTIAL ANALYSIS

1. Country: China
 Credential: Bachelor of Economics
 Year: 1986
 Awarded by: Nankai University
 Admission requirements: Graduation Certificate (senior high school)
 Length of program: Four years
 Major/Specialization: Finance
 Canadian Equivalency: Bachelor's degree (four years)

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Canadian Equivalency Summary provides the Canadian equivalent for all credentials earned, as well as major/specialization

Credential Analysis provides a concise overview, including all key elements of each credential earned

Institutions-Dates-Subjects provided in the WES Course-by-Course report is a detailed analysis of courses studied with the Canadian equivalency in credits and grades

Summary indicates level of study and total credits in Canadian terms

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COURSE-BY-COURSE ANALYSIS

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INSTITUTIONS - DATES - SUBJECTS	Credits	Grades
Nankai University 1982 - 1986		
Political Economics I, II	6.0	B
Monetary and Credit Theory I, II	6.0	C
Mathematics I, II	6.0	C
English I, II	3.0	C
Physical Education I	1.0	B
Physical Education II	1.0	C
Moral Education I, II	2.0	B
Chinese	3.0	C
Classical Chinese Literature I	3.0	A
Mathematics III	3.0	B
Computer	3.0	B
English III, IV	3.0	C
Credits of Industry and Commerce I	3.0	B
Industrial Accounting	3.0	A
Statistics	3.0	B
Commercial Economic Market	3.0	B
Accounting	3.0	A
Credits of Industry and Commerce II	3.0	A
Physical Education III	1.0	B
Moral Education III, IV	2.0	B
Decision Linearity	3.0	B
Industrial Business Management	3.0	A
Classical Chinese Literature II	3.0	A
Finance and Tax Law	3.0	B
Business Finance	3.0	A
Bank Accounting	3.0	C
Money Circulation	3.0	B
Philosophy	3.0	C
Business English I	1.0	B
Business English II	1.0	C
Insurance	3.0	A
International Finance	3.0	A
Economic Law	3.0	A
Physical Education IV, V	2.0	A
Price Theory	3.0	A
International Trade	3.0	B
Western Money and Banking	3.0	C
Bank Management	3.0	A
Agricultural Finance	3.0	A
Input and Output Analysis	3.0	B
Western Economics	3.0	C
National Economic Planning	3.0	A
Thesis	6.0	A

SUMMARY
 Level of Study: Undergraduate Credits: 128.0

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Not only does the WES evaluation recommend a Canadian equivalency, it verifies documents for authenticity, and confirms the status of the institution awarding the diploma/degree, and the program of study undertaken.

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