



## Authentication of Bachelors Degree

**Before you start** make sure that your name in your Bachelor's Degree and Transcripts 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.

### **You are required to submit the following**

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| <b>In Bahrain</b>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Original Bachelors Degree and Transcript of Records</b></li><li>• <b>An Equivalency Letter</b> issued by the Higher Education Council</li></ul>  |
| <b>Out of Bahrain</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Original Bachelors Degree and Transcript of Records</b></li><li>• <b>An Equivalency Letter</b> (where available)</li><li>• Stamp all the above documents from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Bahrain Embassy in the country where the Bachelors Degree was awarded</li><li>• Stamp all the above documents from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Bahrain</li></ul>  |
| <b>Alternative Option</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Original Bachelors Degree and Transcript of Records</b> Apostilled.<br/>If your country is a member of Hague Convention, the above can be attested using Apostille. The below link provides information regarding appropriate authorities for each respective country and other information needed regarding Apostille<br/><a href="https://www.hcch.net/en/instruments/specialised-sections/apostille">https://www.hcch.net/en/instruments/specialised-sections/apostille</a></li></ul> |

### **Important Notes:**

- A scanned copy of your attested documents with the required stamps visible must be sent via email to [attestbahrain@rcsi.com](mailto:attestbahrain@rcsi.com) for our review and confirmation.
- If true copies are attested, the unattested original documents must also be submitted.



**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.**