



# Authentication of Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)

**Before you start** make sure that your name in your Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) documents 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

<p><b>Completed in Bahrain</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>All Original High School Documents</b> stamped by the Ministry of Education – Private Education Directorate</li> <li>• <b>Original CBSE Certificates (Class 10 &amp; 12) and Transfer/Migration Certificate</b> stamped by the Ministry of Education – Private Education Directorate</li> <li>• <b>Original Equivalency Letter</b> issued by the Ministry of Education – Private Education Directorate (check with your school as they may process this for you)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Completed outside of Bahrain</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Original CBSE Certificates (Class 10 &amp; 12) and Transfer/Migration Certificate</b> stamped by the British Council and Ministry of Education – Private Education</li> <li>• <b>An Equivalency Letter</b> (where available)</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> If you have completed your studies in the GCC and obtained the Ministry of Education stamp, the below steps are not required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stamp from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Bahrain Embassy in the country where the CBSE was completed</li> <li>• Stamp from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Bahrain and the Indian Embassy in Bahrain</li> </ul> <p><i>For the last point, we can have them done on your behalf. Please contact <a href="mailto:attestbahrain@rcsi.com">attestbahrain@rcsi.com</a> if you wish to avail of this service to get the cost associated.</i></p>
<p><b>Alternative Option</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Original CBSE Certificates (Class 10 &amp; 12) and Transfer/Migration Certificate</b> to be Apostilled. The below link provides information regarding appropriate authorities for each respective country and other information needed regarding Apostille <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.**