

**Before you start** make sure that your name in your academic 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	
Completed at a Government School in Lebanon	<ul> <li>Original Secondary School Transcript (Grade 10 to 12) and Secondary School Completion Certificate stamped by the Ministry of Education in Lebanon</li> <li>Stamp all the above documents from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Lebanon</li> <li>Stamp all the above documents from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Bahrain</li> <li>Stamp all the above documents from the Lebanese Embassy in Bahrain</li> <li>For the last two points, we can have them done on your behalf. If you wish to avail of this service, please contact <u>attestbahrain@rcsi.com</u> to get the cost associated.</li> </ul>
Completed at a Private High School in Lebanon	<ul> <li>Original High School Transcript (Grade 10 to 12) and High School Diploma stamped by the Ministry of Education in Lebanon</li> <li>An Equivalency Letter issued by the Ministry of Education Lebanon – Private directorate (check with your school as they may process this for you)</li> <li>Copy of AP Student Score Report (if applicable) – no stamp required</li> <li>Stamp all the above documents from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Lebanon</li> <li>Stamp all the above documents from the Lebanese Embassy in Bahrain</li> <li>Stamp all the above documents from the Lebanese Embassy in Bahrain</li> </ul>

## **Important Notes:**

- A scanned copy of your attested documents with the required stamps visible must be sent via email to <u>attestbahrain@rcsi.com</u> 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.*