Satisfying the Proof of High School Completion Requirement for Admissions Purposes for Students who Graduated from High School Outside the US and Territories

NOTE: Students who graduated from high school outside the US and territories who wish to apply for financial aid should speak with the financial aid department at their campus regarding the documentation required to satisfy financial aid requirements.

Students who graduated from high school outside the US and territories must submit the following documents to their campus Admission Office:

1. Official (original) foreign high school completion documents if in English; OR
2. Official (original) foreign high school completion documents in a foreign language AND a certified English translation; OR
3. Equivalency evaluation of foreign high school completion documents performed by AACRAO (American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers) on or before August 15, 2016, or a NACES (National Association of Credential Evaluation Services Inc.), or AICE (Association of International Credentials Evaluators) member organization.

LSC reserves the right to determine whether a document satisfies the high school completion requirement and may require an equivalency evaluation be submitted to verify equivalence to high school graduation in the US.

Using Proof of College-Level Work to Satisfy High School Completion Requirement

- College/University attended in the US: An official transcript issued directly to Lone Star College by a college or university in the US which shows completion of college-level course work from a regionally accredited institution can be used to satisfy this requirement.
- College/University attended outside the US: Official (original) proof of college-level work from outside of the US can be used to satisfy this requirement if it meets all three criteria below. If the original college credential is not in English, a certified English translation must also be submitted.
  1. The credential must be from an institution recognized by that country's Ministry of Education to offer post-secondary education or, the US Department of Education must consider it eligible for federal financial aid. For a list of colleges eligible for US Federal Financial Aid, select "Foreign Country " in the "state" prompt on the FAFSA website; AND
  2. The institution is not on the State of Texas list of Institutions Whose Degrees are Illegal to Use in Texas; AND
  3. The credential shows either:
     a. successful completion of at least one course. The credential should list the degree that was pursued; OR
     b. completion of a degree.

If Seeking to Transfer College/University Credits from Outside the US

Students who have earned college/university credits outside the US and wish to transfer their credits to LSC must submit a course-by-course evaluation performed by one of the following organizations:

1. American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO) International Education Services (evaluation requests submitted to AACRAO on or before August 15, 2016); or
2. An evaluation service that maintains current membership in the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services Inc. (NACES); or
3. An evaluation service that maintains current membership in the Association of International Credentials Evaluators (AICE).