



## COUNTRY-SPECIFIC INFORMATION SHEET FOR THE PHILIPPINES

### **Universities and Other Higher Education Institutions Recognized in Prince Edward Island (PEI)**

Only those higher education institutions that are established or approved by an appropriate educational authority (usually a government body) are recognized by the PEI Office of the Registrar.

In the case of the Philippines, we recognize those higher education institutions that are established or approved by a government authority or by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).

Please contact an appropriate educational authority, such as a government authority or CHED, when seeking confirmation as to whether or not your higher education institution is recognized in the Philippines. If the higher education institution(s) you attended is public, then you should contact the relevant local, provincial or national government authority. If the higher education institution(s) you attended is private, then you should contact CHED.

For a link to CHED's website, which includes contact information, see:  
<http://www.ched.gov.ph/chedwww/index.php/eng>

**NOTE:** The PEI Office of the Registrar may require a verification letter(s) from an appropriate educational authority confirming that the higher education institution(s) you attended is recognized in the Philippines.

### **Pre-Service Teacher Education Programs Recognized in Prince Edward Island**

Only those pre-service teacher education programs that are recognized or approved by an appropriate educational authority (usually a government body) in your country are recognized by the PEI Office of the Registrar.

In the case of the Philippines, we recognize those pre-service teacher education programs that are offered by recognized or approved higher education institutions.

Please contact an appropriate educational authority, such as a government authority or the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), when seeking confirmation as to whether or not your higher education institution is recognized in the Philippines. If the higher education institution(s) you attended is public, then you should contact the relevant local, provincial or national government authority. If the higher education institution(s) you attended is private, then you should contact CHED.

See the section **Universities and Other Higher Education Institutions Recognized in Prince Edward Island (PEI)**, above, for CHED's website address information, which includes its contact information.

## **Specific Programs Not Recognized in Prince Edward Island**

Any programs that do not meet our minimum requirements for an acceptable teacher education program will not be recognized.

## **Obtaining Academic Records**

In the Philippines academic records or official transcripts are issued by universities and other higher education institutions.

When seeking to obtain your academic records or official transcripts you are generally required to submit a **written request by fax, email or post** to your university's Academic Records Division. Your full name, date of birth and student ID number (if known) should be included. Generally, information cannot be provided over the phone.

Academic records or official transcripts must be mailed directly to us from every higher education institution you have attended. We will not accept transcripts submitted by you even if they are sealed or notarized. We will not accept transcripts by fax or email. Transcripts received must be in the original language of issue.

If the PEI Office of the Registrar receives transcripts in languages other than English or French, we will send a copy to you. You will need to have the documents translated into either English or French and send the original translations to us.

## **Obtaining Statements of Professional Standing**

A Statement of Professional Standing is a document that states you are a teacher in good standing and that your teaching license has never been revoked, cancelled, or suspended for any disciplinary reasons. This document usually comes from the government body or other licensing body that oversees teachers.

A Statement of Professional Standing is required and may be obtained from the Professional Regulation Commission. Additional Statements of Professional Standing are required from all other jurisdictions where you have held or hold a teaching certificate. All Statements of Professional Standing must be mailed directly to the PEI Office of the Registrar.

The Professional Regulation Commission's contact information is found below:

Professional Regulation Commission's Contact Information
<p><b>Phone:</b> (632) 7368018</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:opt.prc@gmail.com">opt.prc@gmail.com</a> (e-mail address for Office for Professional Teachers)</p>

**Website:**

<http://www.prc.gov.ph/>

**Address**

Professional Regulation Commission  
P. Paredes St  
Corner Morayta Street Sampaloc  
P.O. Box 2038  
Manila, Republic of the Philippines

If you have not taught in the Philippines since 1996, you may obtain a Statement of Professional Standing from the last school where you taught in addition to a Certification of Teacher Eligibility from the following address:

Civil Service Commission  
Constitution Hills  
Batasang Pambansa Complex  
Diliman 1126  
Quezon City  
Philippines

**Teaching Certificate**

You do not need to submit a copy of your teaching certificate. Your Statement of Professional Standing will supply this information.

**Credit Hour Equivalencies**

The Philippines has no national credit system. Universities and other higher education institutions have their own credit systems.

Because credit systems in the Philippines can vary so much between higher education institutions, the PEI Office of the Registrar calculates the credit hour equivalencies for each application on a case-by-case basis.

**Other Pertinent Information*****Years of Scholarity and Year 12 Equivalent***

In order to be eligible for certification as a teacher in PEI you are required to have a minimum of 16 Years of Scholarity, which includes completion of your Year 12 equivalent (also known as Grade 12 or High School equivalent). Generally, a Year of Scholarity is earned for every year of formal education you have completed, beginning with Year 1 education at the elementary or primary school level.

Because Years of Scholarity and Year 12 equivalence can vary so much between countries and even within them, the PEI Office of the Registrar calculates the Years of Scholarity and Year 12 equivalence for each application on a case-by-case basis.

### ***Language Proficiency***

You do not need to provide satisfactory results on a language proficiency test if you have completed ***all of your*** post-secondary education in English or French.

In the Philippines, English, Filipino or regional languages, or some combination of those languages, are typically used as the language(s) of instruction; hence, if you completed your post-secondary in English, you may not be required to provide the results of a language proficiency test. However, if you completed your post-secondary education in Filipino or a regional language(s), then you will be required to provide satisfactory results on a recognized English or French language proficiency test as a condition of certification. For more information on language proficiency, including acceptable tests and test scores, see our **Resource Guide: "Welcoming Internationally Educated Teachers to PEI."**

The **Resource Guide** is available online on the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development's website. See the following link:

<http://www.gov.pe.ca/eecd/index.php3?number=1027691>