

MULTI-COUNTRY RESOURCES

UNESCO - International Association of Universities (IAU)

<http://www.iau-aiu.net/>

IAU, founded in 1950, is the UNESCO-based worldwide association of higher education institutions. It brings together institutions and organisations from some 120 countries for reflection and action on common concerns and collaborates with various international, regional and national bodies active in higher education. A variety of resources are available on this website, two of which are listed below:

IAU Worldwide Database of Higher Education Institutions, Systems and Credentials

<http://www.whed.net/home.php>

The IAU Worldwide Database provides comprehensive information on higher education systems and credentials in 184 countries and over 18,000 higher education institutions. Access is offered free of charge to everyone. Advanced search, extraction and print features are offered only to IAU Members. Data can be searched by *institutions*, or by *systems/credentials*.

University Associations

<http://www.iau-aiu.net/content/university-associations>

This site includes a list of university associations worldwide. Each association is the representative body for universities in that country.



Write to the university association within a country to obtain information on a certain university in that country.

UNESCO Portal to Recognized Higher Education Institutions

<http://www.unesco.org/new/en/education/resources/unesco-portal-to-recognized-higher-education-institutions>

This portal offers access to on-line information on higher education institutions recognized or otherwise sanctioned by competent authorities in participating countries.

It provides students, employers and other interested parties with access to authoritative and up-to-date information on the status of higher education institutions and quality assurance in these countries.



Select a region and then a country to view general information about the country as well as a list of recognized institutions in that country.

National Academic Recognition Information Centres in the European Union (NARIC)

European Network of Information Centres in the European Region (ENIC)

www.enic-naric.net

The NARIC Network

NARIC provides authoritative advice and information concerning the academic recognition of diplomas and periods of study undertaken in other States. The main users of this service are higher education institutions, students and their advisers, parents, teachers and prospective employers. The NARICs were designated by the Ministries of Education in the respective countries.

The ENIC Network

To implement the Lisbon Recognition Convention and, in general, to develop policy and practice for the recognition of qualifications, the Council of Europe and UNESCO have established the ENIC Network (European Network of National Information Centres on academic recognition and mobility). The ENIC Network cooperates closely with the NARIC Network of the European Union. The Network is made up of the national information centres of the States party to the European Cultural Convention or the UNESCO Europe Region. An ENIC is a body set up by the national authorities. Among other services, ENIC provides information on:

- the recognition of foreign diplomas, degrees and other qualifications
- education systems in both foreign countries and the ENIC's own country



Select a country and you can view:

- *National Information Centres*
- *National education bodies*
- *System of education*
- *University education*
- *Quality Assurance in Higher Education*
- *Post-secondary non-university education*
- *Recognized higher education institutions*
- *Policies and procedures for the recognition of qualifications*
- *Qualifications Framework*
- *Diploma Supplement Information*

Nordic National Recognition and Information Centres (NORRIC)

<http://norric.org/publications/publications#countries>

NORRIC is a network established by the five Nordic ENIC/NARIC offices. Among other projects, the NORRIC network initiates joint projects on education systems in the following countries in order to reduce barriers to the evaluation and recognition of foreign credentials in the Nordic region.

Eritrea and Ethiopia	The System of Education in India
Germany (specific to teachers)	The System of Education in Pakistan
Greece and Cyprus	Poland
British Columbia, Canada	The System of Education in Russia
Kazakhstan	Higher Education in Iraq
The Educational System of Ukraine	



Select a country to view: country overview, school education overview, higher education overview, technical education, institutions, links, and credentials

World Education Services (WES) – Canada

<http://www.wes.org/ca/wedb/ecountrylist.htm>

WES is a non-profit organization that provides research about international education and offers expert credential evaluation services. Among other services, WES provides profiles on the following countries:

Albania	France	The Republic of Korea	Sri Lanka
Bangladesh	Hong Kong	Kosovo	Somalia
Bosnia-Herzegovina	India	Philippines	Ukraine
Brazil	Iran	Romania	USA
China	Iraq	Russia	Vietnam
Colombia	Japan	Saudi Arabia	
Croatia	Jamaica	Serbia-Montenegro	

International Qualifications Assessment Service (IQAS)

<http://eae.alberta.ca/apps/immigration/12638.asp>

The **Education Overview Guides** are an online resource that explains how international education credentials compare to Alberta education credentials and standards. Employers, Human Resource professionals, potential immigrants, and recent newcomers can all benefit from understanding how foreign education credentials compare to Alberta standards.

Education Overview Guides are available for the countries with the highest levels of immigration to Alberta. The guides provide an overview of the country and the educational system within the country. The information contained in these brief summaries is an important first step toward understanding the educational patterns in each country.

Federal Republic of Nigeria
Islamic Republic of Pakistan
People Republic of China
Republic of Colombia

Republic of India
Republic of Korea
Republic of the Philippines
Republic of Poland

Russian Federation
The Former USSR
United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern Ireland



Select a country to view general overview with basic information about the country plus links to specific information about education structure, quality assurance and other education-related information.

European Encyclopaedia on National Education System

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fpfis/mwikis/eurydice/index.php?title=Countries>

This site includes profiles on countries participating in the European Union's Lifelong Learning Programme.

All 28 European Union member states
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Iceland

Liechtenstein
Montenegro
Norway
Serbia

Switzerland
Turkey



Select a country to view: country facts, education overview, elementary education, secondary education, higher education, grade-by-grade comparisons