

## FOREIGN EVALUATION INFORMATION SHEET

Before requesting an evaluation from a foreign evaluation service, give careful consideration to your current educational goals and the courses required to meet those goals. It is not always appropriate to send your transcripts to a foreign evaluation service. Please consider the following before requesting an evaluation. If you need further assistance, consult a counselor. **In addition to the evaluation report from a foreign evaluation service, you must present your original transcript from which a copy will be made. You must also present course descriptions. Without course descriptions credit will be limited to unit totals or elective credit.**

1. The UC/CSU do not recognize evaluation of foreign transcripts by foreign evaluation services. They do their own evaluations. If you are planning to transfer, the transfer institution is responsible for evaluating previous coursework.
2. Foreign work cannot be passed along to clear general education on IGETC (Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum).
3. If you are taking courses for personal enrichment or to update a skill, and you have no intention of earning a degree or certificate at De Anza College, then you should not have your foreign transcripts evaluated.
4. If unit values for courses taken at a foreign college/university are lower than a comparable course on the semester system, it is unlikely that course by course equivalent credit will be given.
5. If you are following a certificate program, it is probably not worthwhile to have your transcripts evaluated. Certificate programs require highly specialized courses. It is unlikely that courses taken elsewhere fulfill these requirements. In addition, there are strict limits on the number of units that can be transferred in to clear certificate requirements. (See 2000-2001 College Catalog page 31).
6. EWRT 1A and EWRT 1B are not cleared with courses from a foreign country.  
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7. High school courses are not granted college credit. "A Level" examinations are considered beyond high school and receive credit. The UC's will accept grades of C or higher. CSU's accept passes. "O Level" examinations do not receive credit.
8. Many foreign degrees can be granted very little credit toward general education, because they do not consist of the same broad range of courses that U.S. degrees require. For example: degrees from India usually concentrate in one or two subject areas for two or three years.
9. If former courses are in a highly specialized or technical field, you may receive very little applicable credit. For example: "technology" courses in engineering, drafting,

and electronics do not fulfill engineering requirements.

10. Depending on how closely related your past studies are to your current goals, most of your foreign work may not be equivalent to De Anza courses. This means most of your past education may end up as "electives." Electives are courses that do not meet general education or major requirements. Depending on the unit requirement of your major, you may not need electives. For example, engineering, paralegal, business, and many other programs have little room for electives.
11. Many courses in DeAnza's Nursing R.N. program must have been taken within 7 years of screening for the program. Usually, very little coursework taken in another country can be applied to the Nursing program.
12. Courses such as business law, ~~economics~~, and law do not meet requirements because they do not cover U.S. law and U.S. economics.
13. The first year of college work from the Philippines is equivalent to U.S. high school.

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