

RECOGNITION OF EDUCATION DOCUMENTS FOR PERFORMANCE OF A REGULATED PROFESSION –DOCTOR

The applicant should apply to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic for recognition of an education document. When recognizing education documents, it is assessed whether the diploma was acquired at a state-recognized educational institution and whether the education meets the formal requirements of comparability according to the requirements in the Slovak Republic.

The application must always include:

- first name and last name of the applicant,
- the address of the applicant's permanent residence or similar residence,
- name of the regulated profession which the applicant is applying for recognition of the education document,
- applicant's signature.

The attachments to the application are:

- copy of the ID,
- certified copy of the education document and a certified translation into the Slovak language,
- certified copy of the listing of subjects taken and exams passed as well as their certified translation into the Slovak language,
- copy of the education document obtained prior to the education which is the subject of the application,
- proof of payment of the administrative fee.

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic will issue a "Decision on the stipulation of the professional competence examination" within two months.

More information can be found on the website: <https://www.minedu.sk/uznavanie-dokladov-o-vzdelani-a-odbornych-kvalifikacii-zo-zahranicia/>

PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE EXAMINATION

The examination covers following subjects: anesthesiology and intensive care medicine, neurology, emergency medicine, general medicine, basic immunology, clinical biochemistry and laboratory medicine, neurosurgery, and nuclear medicine.

The professional competence examination consists of a written test and is conducted in either Ukrainian or competence language.

The applicant must request at the Slovak Medical University in Bratislava to take the professional competence examination **no later than six months after** the issuance of the "Decision on the stipulation of the professional competence examination".

The application must always include:

- first name and last name of the applicant,
- the address of the applicant's permanent residence or similar residence,
- applicant's signature,
- proof of payment of the fee.

The attachments to the application are:

- copy of the ID,
- copy of the "Decision on the stipulation of the professional competence examination".

After the professional competence examination is completed, the Slovak Medical University in Bratislava issues a protocol on the professional competence examination and sends it to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic.

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic will issue a "Decision on the recognition of the education document" within one month.

For more information, visit the website: <https://eszu.sk/lf/>

SPECIALIZED LANGUAGE PREPARATION

The Institute of medical terminology and foreign languages of the faculty of medicine of Comenius University in Bratislava provides specialized language preparation of the Slovak language. The condition for being enrolled in the specialized language preparation is obtaining the Decision on recognition of education document issued by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic.

Specialized language preparation takes place in the form of online course with a maximum number of 12 participants, and it lasts for 10 weeks. Guided teaching sessions are held three times a week for 90 minutes each in the late afternoon. A successful graduate is issued a certificate of completion of specialized language preparation in the Slovak language.

You can find the application and more information on the website:
<https://www.fmed.uniba.sk/pracoviska/teoreticke-ustavy/ustav-lekarskej-terminologie-a-cudzich-jazykov-lf-uk/kurz-sj-pre-zdravotnikov-z-ukrajiny/>

TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP

Temporary professional internship is an opportunity (not an obligation) for a trainee to perform professional work activities in the relevant healthcare profession. The trainee performs professional work activities at a healthcare provider's facility (in the hospitals and clinics) under the professional supervision of a healthcare professional who is professionally competent to perform professional work activities in the relevant healthcare profession, for a maximum of 18 months without interruption.

More information can be found on the website: <https://www.mzsr.sk/?uznavanie-kvalifikaci-docasna-odborna-staz>

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

After recognition of a document on education obtained in a non-EU member country (Ukraine or another country), the applicant is required to take a supplementary examination at the Slovak Medical University in Bratislava. The supplementary examination can also be taken without completing a temporary professional internship.

The supplementary examination for the healthcare profession – doctor, is a verification of the knowledge of applicants who are applying for the recognition of professional qualifications for the practice of regulated healthcare professions in the Slovak Republic. The supplementary examination is conducted in the Slovak language.

The applicant needs to contact the Slovak Medical University in Bratislava and apply to take the supplementary examination.

The application must always include:

- first name and last name of the applicant,
- the address of the applicant's permanent residence or similar residence,
- the applicant's signature.

The attachments to the application are:

- a copy of the education document translated into the Slovak language,
- a copy of the "Decision on the recognition of an educational document" issued by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research, and Sport of the Slovak Republic,
- proof of payment of the fee.

More information can be found on the website: <https://eszu.sk/lf/doplnujuce-skusky-lf/>

After successfully passing the supplementary examination, the applicant must submit an application for the recognition of professional qualifications to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research, and Sport of the Slovak Republic.

The application for recognition of professional qualifications must include:

- first name and last name of the applicant,
- the address of the applicant's permanent residence or similar residence,
- the applicant's signature.

The attachment to the application is:

- a certified copy of the protocol on the supplementary examination.

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research, and Sport of the Slovak Republic issues the "Decision on the recognition of professional qualifications" within one month.

More information can be found on the website: <https://www.minedu.sk/doplnujuca-skuska/#ZiadostPODS>

PERFORMANCE OF HEALTHCARE PROFESSION BY A NON-SPECIALIZED DOCTOR

A non-specialized doctor independently performs professional preventive and curative activities that correspond to the scope and content of obtained education.

The conditions to perform the medical profession are:

- being able to exercise their legal capacity in full extent,
- professional eligibility,
- medical eligibility,
- clean criminal record and integrity,
- registration in the Slovak Medical Chamber.

RECOGNITION OF SPECIALIZATION DOCUMENT

The applicant must contact the Ministry of health of the Slovak Republic and apply to recognize their specialization document.

The application must always include:

- a copy of the ID,
- a copy of the blue card of the European Union, if the applicant is a holder of one,
- if the applicant is a family member of a citizen of an EU member state, a certified copy of a document (e.g. a marriage certificate) confirming that they are a family member of a citizen of a member state, with a certified translation into the state language if it was not issued in the state language,
- a copy of the "Decision on recognition of professional qualifications" issued by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic,
- a copy of the specialization document with a certified translation into the state language and verification of the authenticity of signatures and stamp imprints of the educational institution or other authorized body according to the legal regulations of the third country on the original specialization documents by the relevant authorities of the third country for their verification, unless an international treaty provides otherwise,
- a confirmation from the competent authority of the third country on the applicant's authorization to exercise the relevant activities in the territory of the relevant third country based on the obtained specialization document, with a certified translation into the state language,
- a document on the content and scope of acquired professional knowledge and skills with a certified translation into the state language (issued by the educational institution or the competent authority of the state of origin).

The Ministry of health will issue a "Decision on the recognition of the specialization document" within two months from the receipt of a complete application.

More information can be found on the website: <https://www.mzsr.sk/?uznavanie-kvalifikaci-uznavanie-dokladov>

ENROLLMENT IN SPECIALIZED STUDY

The following faculties of medicine carry out specialized study in accredited specialized study programs:

- Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin, Comenius University in Bratislava (Jesseniova lekárska fakulta v Martine Univerzity Komenského v Bratislave)
<https://www.jfmed.uniba.sk/studium/dalsie-vzdelavanie-zdravotnickych-pracovnikov/>
- Faculty of Medicine, Comenius University in Bratislava (Lekárska fakulta Univerzity Komenského v Bratislave)
<https://www.fmed.uniba.sk/studium/specializacne-studium/>
- Faculty of Medicine, Slovak Medical University in Bratislava (Lekárska fakulta Slovenskej zdravotníckej univerzity v Bratislave)
<https://eszu.sk/zaradovanie-zdravotnickych-pracovnikov/>
- Faculty of Medicine, Pavol Jozef Safarik University in Kosice (Lekárska fakulta Univerzity Pavla Jozefa Šafárika v Košiciach)
<https://www.upjs.sk/lekarska-fakulta/studenti-lf/dalsie-vzdelavanie/>

PERFORMANCE OF THE HEALTHCARE PROFESSION OF A SPECIALIZED DOCTOR

A specialized doctor independently performs specialized work activities of preventive and curative care, revision and assessment activities according to the accredited specialized study program in the relevant specialization field. They also independently perform consulting activities, guide care in creating and protecting healthy living and working conditions, and carry out research, educational, and training activities related to the provision of healthcare services.