



DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE AND COMMUNITY HEALTH
Physician Assistant Program
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS WHO HAVE ATTENDED UNIVERSITIES OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

TRANSCRIPTS

Transcript evaluation is required for applying to the UW-Madison PA Program through CASPA. We will also use this evaluation to determine an applicant has met minimum requirements; GPA prerequisite coursework, etc. Below are acceptable foreign transcript evaluation services:

- Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. www.ece.org
- World Education Services, Inc. www.wes.org

RESIDENCY

Applicants who have attended universities outside of the U.S. must provide evidence that they are a permanent resident of the United States. We do not consider applicants who have student or other temporary visas.

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

Every applicant whose native language is not English, or whose undergraduate instruction was not in English, must provide an English proficiency test score. Your score is considered too old, and will not be accepted, if it is more than 2 years old from the start of your admission term. Country of citizenship does not exempt applicants from this requirement. Language of instruction at the college or university level, and how recent it has been, are determining factors in meeting this requirement.

Applicants are exempt if:

- English is the exclusive language of instruction at the undergraduate level; **or**
- they have earned a degree from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university not more than 5 years prior to the anticipated semester of enrollment; **or**
- they have completed at least two full-time semesters of graded course work, exclusive of ESL courses, in a U.S. college or university, or at an institution outside the U.S. where English is the exclusive language of instruction, not more than 5 years prior to the anticipated semester of enrollment.

Minimum TOEFL requirement: 92 internet (iBT); 580 paper-based test (PBT)

TOEFL website

<http://www.ets.org/toefl>