

CU Denver (Downtown Campus) Graduate International Credential Evaluation FAQs

I. CU Denver to authenticate and evaluate your credentials in-house

Costs: Applicant will be responsible for the \$75 application fee if opting for this option.

Services Provided:

- Review of your transcripts, diploma(s), and other documentation from your international institutions to determine validity, accreditation status, and US degree equivalency for the purpose of admissions. Please note that this is an internal process. The evaluation will be sent to the schools/colleges, not directly to students.

II. ECE or WES to authenticate and provide a credential evaluation report directly to CU Denver.

Costs: Any cost associated with the evaluation is the responsibility of the applicant.

CU Denver will be waiving the \$75 application fee.

CU Denver will be awarding an automatic **\$200 USD scholarship** directly to the student account of any Fall 2024 applicants to downtown Denver programs who meet the following criteria:

1. Fall 2024 applicant who is admitted to a downtown Denver masters or doctoral program for the Fall 2024 semester.
2. Applicant's application record shows that:
 - a. Course-by-Course evaluation from WES and ECE received during the period of August 1, 2023 – April 30, 2024.
3. Students are enrolled in courses for the Fall 2024 semester past the Add/Drop deadline.

**Please note that this pertains to the Fall 2024 semester only and will not be applicable to students who defer to subsequent semesters.*

Please DO NOT send transcripts from your international institution(s) to CU Denver. ECE or WES will collect your international transcripts during the evaluation process. (Please submit transcripts for any US institutions you have attended directly to CU Denver.)

Frequently Asked Questions

I am applying to CU Denver as a Fall 2024 applicant. Do I need to provide an external credential evaluation?

You have two options to choose from for Fall 2024; in-house credential evaluation or external evaluation (ECE or WES course by course evaluation only).

- For in-house evaluation, please note that we will start providing the in-house evaluation as of February 1. It may take a few weeks for the internal credential evaluation to be completed and to receive a decision. If you would like to get the decision sooner, we encourage you to get the ECE or WES evaluation.
- For ECE or WES evaluation, if you wish to receive a decision sooner, opting for ECE or WES is a great choice, as they typically take 5-7 business days to complete the evaluation once they have all the required documents. Additionally, CU Denver will provide \$200 scholarships for eligible students who submit the external evaluation (ECE or WES only) in their first semester at CU Denver. Restrictions apply – please see the criteria for scholarships above.

I already have my transcript evaluation evaluated by another company. Can I submit the evaluation report instead of ECE or WES for Fall 2024?

If they are course by course evaluation and completed by one of the [NACES](#) member companies, we can accept them.

I would like CU Denver to complete my in-house credential evaluation. What documents are needed?

Visit the [Graduate \(Masters or Doctoral\) Admissions Process webpage](#) and click on the “Transcripts & Test Scores” tab in order to view the documentation requirements and how to submit documents.

Where do I have to submit my transcripts for my international credential evaluation?

Please submit your transcripts when you submit your application.

Do I have to submit an official transcript for evaluation?

No. You can submit your unofficial transcript at the time of application. However, once you are fully admitted, you will need to provide official transcript(s) during your first semester of study at CU Denver. Please [visit this webpage](#) to understand our Document Verification process.

Do you accept my 3-year bachelor’s degree?

Yes. CU Denver treats Indian 3-year bachelor’s degrees as qualifying credentials for admission to graduate degree programs.

I would like to keep and use my CU Denver international credential evaluation for other purposes. Is that possible?

No. CU Denver international credential evaluations are the property of CU Denver and will be used for internal use only.

My courses and/or degree program are in progress. Can I submit my in-progress transcripts?

Yes. However, you will need to provide official final transcripts with degree completion information during the first semester of study at CU Denver. Please [visit this webpage](#) to understand our Document Verification process.

To send your official international transcripts:

- If sending via email or electronically, use intldocuments@ucdenver.edu.
- If sending via mail, find the mailing address [here](#).
- If you prefer to bring the physical official transcript, you can submit it to CU Denver International Admissions.

Frequently Asked Questions when using an external evaluation provider to evaluate your credentials.

Which types of reports does CU Denver/Anschutz accept from ECE and WES?

- ECE Course by Course evaluation report
- WES Basic Course by Course evaluation report
- WES ICAP Course by Course evaluation report

How to apply for ECE or WES evaluation?

After you submit your admission application to CU Denver/Anschutz, we will send you an email containing a link to the specific ECE and WES CU Denver/Anschutz landing page where you can order your evaluation. You can also order ECE or WES evaluations before or while submitting your application(s). Please contact International Admissions at intldocuments@ucdenver.edu for the ECE and WES CU Denver/Anschutz landing page link.

What documents do I need to submit to ECE or WES?

Please check the following [ECE Documentation Requirements/FAQs](#) & [WES Required Documents/FAQs](#)

Where do I have to submit my transcripts for my international credential evaluation?

You will only need to submit your official transcript to ECE or WES for their evaluation. However, if you submit your in-progress transcripts to ECE or WES, you will be required to submit your final official transcripts with degree completion information to CU Denver once you are admitted.

My institution does not issue transcripts in English. Do I need to submit English translations?

English translations are required for all documents issued in a language other than English. Please check the translation requirements on the ECE FAQs, and the WES FAQs .

ECE and/or WES requires official transcripts, but I cannot get my official transcripts. What should I do?

- ECE and WES each have several channels to accept official or original (ECE only) transcripts via mail or electronically directly from institutions or third parties (see below).
 - ECE accepts official transcripts from the following: Electronic Transcript Exchange Registry (ETX), My eQuals, TrueCopy, and Worldwide Transcripts.
 - More information is available here: ECE FAQs “Do you accept electronic documents?”
 - If you have your original transcripts with you, ECE may be a good option because ECE evaluates original documents depending on countries/schools.
 - More Information is available here: [ECE Document Requirements](#) and the [ECE FAQs - Educational Documents Questions](#)
- WES may already have a digital partnership with your institution. Please contact WES to see if your institution is partnered with WES. If so, your institution will send your official transcript to WES electronically. Please check the [WES Document Requirements](#) and [FAQs](#)

Please note that your official ECE or WES evaluation report(s) are considered as official transcript(s). You do not need to submit your official transcript(s) to CU Denver if you provide the official evaluation report(s).

My courses and/or degree program are in progress. Can I submit my in-progress transcripts to ECE or WES?

Yes. You can submit your in-progress transcript to ECE or WES for their evaluation. ECE or WES will evaluate your in-progress courses transcript.

Please note that you will be required to submit final official transcript with degree completion information to CU Denver once you are admitted.

I had an ECE or WES evaluation for my in-progress coursework when I applied to CU Denver, and now I have finished my degree program. Do I have to get an additional ECE or WES evaluation for the final coursework/degree?

No. You don't need to get an additional evaluation for your final coursework. You just need to send your official final transcript with degree completion information to CU Denver International Admissions.

Where should I send my final completed transcripts once I am admitted?

For Denver campus applicants, your final transcript(s)/degree certificate/diploma should be sent to CU Denver International Admissions once you are fully admitted during your first semester. Please [visit this webpage](#) to understand our Document Verification process.

I already sent my transcript to CU Denver when I submitted my application. Do I need to submit my transcript to ECE or WES as well?

Yes. You will need to submit the required documents to ECE or WES for their evaluation.

I already have an ECE or WES Course by Course evaluation report that I used when I applied for another institution. Can I use it to apply to CU Denver?

Yes. You can use the same report if you don't have any new international education credential(s) since you receive your evaluation report.

Can I use my unofficial copy of the evaluation reports?

Yes. You can use the unofficial copy of your evaluation report. However, once you are fully admitted, we will require an official report directly sent from ECE or WES. We consider the official evaluation report as an official copy of the transcripts. Make sure to send them your report along with your transcript copies that are already verified.

I am applying for an undergraduate program. Do I need an ECE or WES evaluation?

No. You do not require an ECE or WES evaluation to apply for our undergraduate programs.

Does ECE or WES recognize that my 3-year bachelor's degree from India is comparable to a US Bachelor's degree?

No, ECE or WES considers 3-year degrees from India to be comparable to 3 years of undergraduate study in the US. However, CU Denver treats Indian 3-year bachelor's degrees as qualifying credentials for admission to graduate degree programs. In these cases, CU Denver International Admissions will provide additional guidance for graduate departments so they will accept 3-year bachelor's degrees for admission.

How long does it take ECE to complete a report?

ECE's order processing time is an average of 5-7 business days from the date we receive all required information. Processing time can vary and does not include delivery time, weekends, or holidays.

How long does it take WES to complete a report?

According to their website, the typical processing time is approximately 7 business days from the day that a completed "Application" (including all required documents, information and full payment of fees) is received by WES and compiled for internal review and processing.

How much does a ECE credential evaluation cost?

The Course-by-Course Evaluation is \$195 plus a delivery fee plus a delivery fee. Please contact ECE for more information.

How much does a WES credential evaluation cost?

The Basic Course-by-Course Evaluation is \$176 plus a delivery fee and the ICAP Course-by-Course Evaluation is \$225 plus a delivery fee. Please contact WES for more information.

How does CU Denver waive the application fee?

If you choose to provide an ECE or WES course-by-course evaluation on the application, our application system will automatically waive your CU Denver application fee once you submit your application.