

Recognition Flow Chart

You have completed a higher education degree or vocational qualification abroad.
Do you wish to work in your profession or continue your studies in Finland?

I wish to work in my profession.

I wish to continue my studies. →

www.studyinfo.fi

Is the profession **regulated** in Finland?

www.oph.fi/english/services/recognition/professional_rights_on_the_basis_of_a_foreign_qualification

No

Is your foreign degree at least Bachelor level?

Yes

Yes

No

Is the competent authority **the Finnish National Agency for Education**?

No

Yes

Contact the right competent authority

If you wish, you can apply for a **statement** on your vocational qualification completed abroad.

Is your profession a **teaching** profession?

No

Yes

For more information see www.oph.fi/english/services/recognition/professional_rights_on_the_basis_of_a_foreign_qualification/teachers

The **employer** generally decides on the eligibility

Are you a citizen of an **EU/EEA Member State** or **Switzerland** and qualified for the same profession in an **EU/EEA Member State** or **Switzerland**?

No

Yes

Is your degree at least Bachelor level?

Yes

No

Did your qualification prepare for the same profession and is it comparable in terms of level to the qualification required in Finland?

No

You need to continue your studies in order to become a qualified.

Yes

www.opintopolku.fi

Are you applying for a position in Finland, for which a higher education degree is required?

No

Yes

Submit a completed and **signed application form** with necessary **appendices**
www.oph.fi/english/services/recognition/applying_for_a_decision

Decision on recognition of professional qualifications or on comparability of higher education studies to a certain degree or certain studies eligibility for a profession

Decision on recognition of the level of your degree