Licensure Information for Applicants Educated outside the United States and in Non-NCSBN Jurisdictions

1) If you were educated outside the United States or in a Non-NCSBN jurisdiction (https://www.ncsbn.org/contactbon.htm) and are applying for exam, you are required to have your nursing education evaluated by one of the approved agencies listed below. Contact the agency of your choice and request the Full Education Course by Course Report. An original copy of the report must be sent to the Board of Nursing directly from the agency. You are responsible for all fees the agency charges for these services. After your application for licensure is processed and has been deemed complete, the Board of Nursing will review your educational evaluation and contact you with the status of your application in writing. Please ensure that your mailing address is up to date throughout the application process.

   - **Educational Records Evaluation Service, Inc.**
     601 University Avenue, Suite 127
     Sacramento, CA USA 95825-6738
     Phone: (916) 921-0790 or 866-411-3737/866-411-ERES (Toll Free)
     FAX: (916) 921-0793
     E-mail: edu@eres.com
     Web: www.eres.com

   - **International Education Research Foundation, Inc.**
     Post Office Box 3665
     Culver City, CA USA 90231-3665
     Phone: (310) 258-9451
     Fax: (310) 342-7086
     Email: information@ierf.org
     Web: www.ierf.org

   - **Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.**
     7101 SW 102 Avenue
     Miami, FL 33173
     Phone: (305) 273-1616
     FAX: (305) 273-1984
     Email: info@silny.com
     Web: www.jsilny.com

   - **Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools**
     3600 Market Street, Suite 400
     Philadelphia, PA 19104-2651 USA
     Applicant Inquiries: (215) 349-8767
     Customer Service Facsimile: (215) 662-0425
     Automated Phone System (to check status): (215) 599-6200
     Web: www.cgfns.org
     E-mail: info@cgfns.org

   - **Ashland Educational Services Foreign Credentials Evaluation Agency**
     15192 SW 137 Street
     Suite 10
     Miami, FL 33196
     Phone: (786) 457-4608
     Email: Admin@AshlandEducationalServices.com
     Web: [http://ashlandeducationalservices.com/](http://ashlandeducationalservices.com/)

**NOTE:** The report may take several months to complete and there is a fee for these services.

2) You must also submit an application to the Florida Board of Nursing. The Florida Board of Nursing requires an application and fee. The application and fee is to be sent to the Florida Board of Nursing.

3) The application, instructions, supplemental forms, rules, etc. for Florida licensure can be printed from this web site: www.floridasnursing.gov/resources. This site is also a good resource for any questions you have.
4) Nurses educated outside the United States or in a Non-NCSBN jurisdiction (https://www.ncsbn.org/contactbon.htm) will be required to take the NCLEX exam for nursing licensure. This exam is administered by the NCS Pearson Group. A separate fee of $200.00 is required by the Pearson Group to register for the examination. This fee is to be sent to NCS Pearson along with your registration information. The Pearson website is at http://www.pearsonvue.com/nclex/. To apply by exam please follow this link: http://floridasnursing.gov/resources/.

5) Before a license can be issued, the licensee must have a social security number (SSN). The SSN is not required to complete the application process and take the NCLEX exam.

6) Proof of English competency is also a requirement. If you took your nursing coursework in English and used English textbooks, then you do not need to show English language competency. Per Rule 64B9-3.002 (1) (e) F.A.C. one of the following requirements for English Competency must be demonstrated through one of the following:

7) Successful completion of any one of the acceptable English competency examinations:

- A minimum score of 540 (207 on computerized version and 76 on the Internet based version) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Examination
- A minimum score of 55 with a minimum speaking score of 55% on the Michigan English Test (MET)
- A minimum score of 6.5 overall with a 7.0 on the spoken portion on the academic version of International English Language Testing System (IELTS);
- A minimum score of 300 on the Occupational English Test (OET)
- Completion of a nursing program given in English in another country;