

EQUIVALENT QUALIFICATIONS RESEARCH AND DATABASE

Project Synopsis

Time: 6-12 months

Complexity: Medium

Cost: \$10,000 - \$25,000

This project researches equivalent qualifications worldwide, and creates a database to access these qualifications. Such a database can make an assessment process more efficient as it would collect information about equivalent qualifications before internationally-trained workers (ITWs) apply to become certified.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Rather than evaluating ITWs' qualifications individually, a regulator can save time by compiling a list of equivalent international qualifications, and compare an ITW's qualifications to that list. This project researches equivalent qualifications worldwide, and compiles those qualifications into a database that regulators may access when evaluating an ITW for certification. The database may immediately identify equivalent qualifications as they appear on an ITW's application.

KEY OUTCOMES

- Regulators can evaluate an ITW's qualifications faster, making the process more efficient for both the regulator and ITW.
- More ITWs are certified to practice in regulated occupations.

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Set a panel of subject-matter experts and educators to assess other jurisdictions' curriculum to determine commonalities and discrepancies.
- Develop the criteria for equivalency to determine whether the applicant's training is sufficient or an upgrade is needed.

PROJECT COMPONENTS

- Development of a template for evaluation of other jurisdictions training institutions.
 - Equivalency qualification criteria; and
 - Database to share information.

