

## **Recognition of educational documents - information**

Academic recognition of diplomas or validation of educational documents means recognition of the achieved level of education in order to be admitted to a further course of study. The process of academic recognition differs depending on the achieved level of education as well as on the existence of a bilateral agreement regarding the academic recognition between the Slovak Republic and the state of origin.

Recognition of leaving certificates and diplomas issued by a primary or secondary school in other member state or in a third state is issued by the Department of Education of the respective District Office (Odbor školstva Okresného úradu v sídle kraja), after the comparison of the content and length of the education obtained by the applicant and the requirements of the equivalent study program in Slovakia.

The recognition process is initiated with the receipt of the application.

**Based on the aforementioned, recognition of educational documents might be issued by :**

- a) **Okresný úrad Banská Bystrica / Respective District Office in Banská Bystrica**  
Odbor školstva / Department of Education  
Námestie L. Štúra 1  
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- b) **any District Office in the district seat**

An admitted foreign applicant is obliged to provide us with the decision on the recognition of educational documents issued by the respective Slovak authorities no later than **the day of enrolment into the study.**