

Canadian Board for Certification of Prosthetists and Orthotists

Residency Application Policies and Procedures for Foreign Trained Applicants

This document contains the CBCPO policies and procedures for applicants to the Residency Program who are trained outside of Canada (henceforth named *foreign applicant*). The Education Committee, Residency Committee, and CBCPO revise and update this document on a yearly basis and make every attempt to ensure current and accurate information herein. Policies, procedures, rules, dates and fees may change without notice.

All requirements of the CBCPO Residency Program are applicable to foreign applicants including, but not limited to:

1. The applicant must be fluent in English or French
2. The applicant must be a Canadian citizen or a legal landed immigrant

Application Procedure

1. Proof of language proficiency through a recognized standardized test of English or French (eg. TOEFL, IELTS, or equivalent)
2. Assessment of international credentials through International Credential Evaluation Service (ICES) <http://www.bcit.ca/ices/>
3. Entry-to-Residency Examination
Minimum score of 70%

Foreign-trained applicants must have their education assessed by the Corporation's Education Committee and by a third party assessment organization, as directed by the Corporation. If foreign qualifications are deemed equivalent to the current standards of the Corporation, then the individual will be required to successfully complete the CBCPO Entry-to-Residency Examination. Applicants will have three attempts to pass the Entry-to-Residency Examination in each discipline. Failure to pass the Entry-to-Residency Examination, with a passing mark of 70%, will deem the candidate ineligible for any further privileges to sit the Examination in that discipline. Applicants can obtain all information from the Chief Administrative Officer.

Upon successful completion of the Entry-to-Residency Examination, the applicant will be required to register with the Residency Program and complete a Residency in Canada. All foreign-trained individuals must be legal landed immigrants or Canadian citizens at the time of the application to sit the Certification Examination.