Dear Sir/madam,

With reference to your application re approval of courses, please be informed that:

We, Maldives Qualifications Authority (MQA), only register courses /programmes conducted at local institutes. However, for local employment purposes, we do validate the overseas qualifications for *individual Maldivians as well as the individual expatriates working in Maldives* only. For this purpose we recognize overseas institutions if following criterion are met.

- 1. The <u>institute studying</u> should be registered under the higher education authority of the home country.
- 2. The <u>institute studying</u> should be accredited under the government authority of the home country.
- 3. The <u>institute awarding</u> (if different from the institute studying) should be registered under the higher education authority of the home country.
- 4. The <u>institute awarding</u> should be accredited under the government authority of the home country.
- 5. Further recognition from Ministry of Health, Maldives is required for all courses in the field of Health, for eg. Nursing and Medicine.

Once the institute is recognized MQA will checks whether the programme studied fits into the Maldives National Qualifications Framework (MNQF). For this purpose MQA looks into the following details:

- 1. General entry criteria or eligibility for the course/programme.
- 2. Details of how exemptions would be awarded to students.
- 3. Duration of the course/programme with contact hours.
- 4. No. of credits and how the institute defines a credit.

- 5. Level of the course/ programme.
- 6. Modules /subjects covered.
- 7. Structure or framework showing how this programme/course helps the participant to progress for higher levels of education.

Please note that the validated decisions would <u>only be confirmed once the individual applicant (Maldivians or the individual expatriates working in Maldives) apply for validation.</u>

Also note that all licenses/qualifications in the field related to Air transport would only be recognized by Civil Aviation Department / Ministry of Transport and Communication, Maldives.

## Kind regards

## **Mariyam Shahama**

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Ministry of Education

**From:** admin [mailto:admin@buniv.org] **Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 3:13 AM

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**Subject:** Re: Institute and Program Recognition

## Ballsbridge University, Old Street, Roseau, Dominica

Maldives Qualification Authority Ministry of Education Male Rep of Maldives

Re: Institute and Program Recognition

We have submitted an application form and other supporting document for both institional recognition in maldives and program recognition . The recognition would allow us to offer our programme to maldives citizens at a reduced rate . We strongly believe that

Ballsbridge university is an approved institution recognized by the commonwealth of Dominica . I enclosed supporting documents for This application .

We hope to receive a positive response to this application.

Best regards Prof.Dr.I.charles FICP FIMBA FBQS(Hons)

recognition would add value to our programme.

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