

## **Information for International Applicants**

International students are encouraged to apply for admission consideration to Imaging Science Education programs at West Virginia University Hospitals (WVUH); however, the following should be noted.

- (1) The Imaging Science Education Programs are sponsored by West Virginia University Hospitals and are not affiliated with West Virginia University.
- (2) West Virginia University Hospitals is **NOT** approved by the Department of Homeland Security to issue Form I-20, "Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status". Therefore, we are unable to provide the documentation necessary for international students to obtain an F or M educational visa.
- (3) Admission requirements to each respective program are published and are applied equally to all candidates when considering applicants for admission. No exceptions or waivers are made for international students.
- (4) West Virginia University Hospitals requires international students that completed secondary and/or post-secondary education outside of the United States to have their transcripts converted to U.S. equivalents by the World Education Services (see policy below).

## **Validation of International Educational Records**

### **Policy**

This policy serves to provide applicants who have obtained secondary and/or postsecondary education outside of the United States, a mechanism for validating the extent and quality of their educational experience, while providing program officials with United States equivalent educational transcripts.

### **Process for Validation**

1. Candidates who have obtained secondary and /or postsecondary education at institutions outside of the United States are required to have their transcripts verified and converted to United States equivalents.
2. Candidates are required to have this service performed by the following non-profit organization:

**World Education Services**  
**Phone: (+1) 800-361-3106**  
**Fax: (+1) 212-739-6100**  
[www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)

3. Candidates are responsible for all fees and expenses related to this evaluation process.

4. Validated documents must be forwarded directly to West Virginia University Hospitals (WVUH) from the World Education Services (WES). WVUH will not accept documents directly from the candidate.
5. Candidates should be aware that WES is an independent organization and is not affiliated with WVUH; therefore, WVUH has no control over the costs or the time frames associated with this process. Candidates must submit their documents to WES in a timely manner in order for WVUH to receive the converted documents by each program's designated application deadline. (See website for specific details [www.wvumedicine.org/radtech](http://www.wvumedicine.org/radtech) )