

## Statement of Comparability for university degrees from Montenegro: Checklist

### You can apply for a Statement of Comparability for the following degrees

University degrees from public and private institutions, e.g.

- Bachelor
- Master / Magistar
- Diploma o stečenom visokom obrazovanju
- Doktor

The ZAB can only issue a Statement of Comparability if your degree program and university were accredited at the time of your graduation.

### The following degrees are not equivalent to a German bachelor's degree

With a standard duration of 2 or 2.5 years, the following degrees do not correspond to a German bachelor's degree. The ZAB can issue a Statement of Comparability for these degrees, but they correspond to a qualification from a German vocational school (Berufsfachschule).

- Diploma o stečenoj (višoj) stručnoj spremi ((VI/1) stupnja)
- Diploma o stečenom višem obrazovanju etc.

## Documents for the application

Only submit photocopies of your documents. The only original document we need is the application form with your signature.

Do not submit translations.

Application form	
<input type="radio"/>	<p><b>Application form for a Statement of Comparability</b> with your original signature</p> <p>If you want us to evaluate more than one university degree, fill in a separate application form and submit a separate application for each degree.</p>

University degree to be evaluated	
<input type="radio"/>	<p><b>University diploma</b> (Diploma) in Montenegrin</p>
<input type="radio"/>	<p><b>Diploma supplement</b> (Dopuna diplome) in Montenegrin <u>only if</u> the degree is a Bologna degree</p> <p><u>or</u></p> <p><b>Transcript of records for the entire degree program</b> (Uvjerenje o položenim ispitima) in Montenegrin <u>only if</u> the degree is a pre-Bologna degree</p>
<input type="radio"/>	<p><b>Index (every inscribed page)</b> in the original language <u>only if</u> the degree is a pre-Bologna degree (not required for Bologna degrees)</p>

○	<p><b>State authorization of the degree program</b> (Licenca za rad) in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> the university degree was awarded by a private university</p>
○	<p><b>Certificate from your university stating your mode of study</b> (Način studiranja: redovan, vanredan, ...) in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> your mode of study is <u>not</u> stated in your documents</p>
○	<p><b>Certificate from your university confirming the completion of a final thesis</b> in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> you completed a final thesis (diplomski rad) and this is <u>not</u> stated in your documents</p>
○	<p><b>Documents regarding transferred credit</b> in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> you transferred credit that counted toward your degree, e.g. from another degree program or vocational training</p> <p>Example: If you transferred to another university, you have to submit the transcript of records from your first university as well.</p>

<b>Previous university degrees</b>	
	<p>Example: If you want us to evaluate your master's degree, you have to submit the following documents regarding your bachelor's degree as well.</p>
○	<p><b>University diploma</b> in the original language</p> <p><u>and</u></p> <p>○ <b>Transcript of records <u>or</u> diploma supplement</b> in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> you have any previous university degrees</p>

○	<p><b>State authorization of the degree program</b> in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> you have received any previous university degrees from a private university</p>
○	<p><b>Certificate from your university stating your mode of study</b> (e.g. full-time program, part-time program, distance program) in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> the mode of study of any previous university degrees is <u>not</u> stated in your documents</p>
○	<p><b>Certificate from your university confirming the completion of a final thesis</b> in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> you completed a final thesis for any previous university degrees and this is <u>not</u> stated in your documents</p>
○	<p><b>Documents regarding transferred credit</b> in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> you transferred credit, e.g. from another degree program or vocational training, that counted toward any previous university degrees</p>

### Secondary school

○	<p><b>Secondary school graduation certificate</b> in the original language</p>
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### Miscellaneous documents

○	<p><b>Identity document</b> passport or identity card</p>
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○	<p><b>Proof of name change</b> (e.g. marriage certificate) in the original language</p> <p><u>only if</u> your name has changed</p>
○	<p><b>Refugee ID or asylum notice</b></p> <p><u>only if</u> you are recognized as a refugee or an asylum seeker and do <u>not</u> agree to the ZAB verifying the authenticity of your documents by contacting any relevant institutions</p>
○	<p><b>Employment contract <u>or</u> written confirmation of employment</b> from your future employer in Germany</p> <p><u>only if</u> the Statement of Comparability is required to apply for a Blue Card visa</p>

## Additional information

### **Additional documents**

If we need additional documents or information to evaluate your university degree, we will contact you by email. Please check your email regularly.

We reserve the right to ask you to submit original documents if necessary.

### **Photocopies**

Only submit photocopies of your documents. You can make these photocopies yourself. The only original document we need is the application form with your original signature. Do not submit any other original documents unless we explicitly ask you to do so. We assume no liability for unsolicited original documents.

Make sure your photocopies are legible and complete.

Do not submit folders or plastic sheet protectors.

### **Translations**

Only submit translations if they are listed in the checklist.

A degree is evaluated based on the documents in the original language, even if we ask for translations. Therefore, do not submit translations without submitting

the documents in the original language as well.

Your documents can be translated in or outside of Germany as long as the translator is certified for the respective language, authorized, or publicly sworn. You can search for translators in Germany in the state administrations of justice's database of translators and interpreters (Dolmetscher- und Übersetzerdatenbank der Landesjustizverwaltungen).

**We look forward to your application.**

If you have any questions, please visit our website or contact our support team.