

CSCSE Verified Overseas Institutions, 2025

(Information as at 25 November 2025)

Key points

- The Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange (CSCSE) is a Chinese Central Government agency responsible for verifying overseas academic qualifications.
- In September 2025, the CSCSE issued a notice advising that it had released an update of its 'Verified Institutions Search' function. These updates occur every year and are standard practice.
- The 'Verified Institutions Search' function includes those overseas institutions for which the CSCSE has verified a qualification over the last 5 years.
- The list does not affect the accreditation status of any institution and graduates of
 institutions that do not appear on the 2025 list may still apply to have their overseas
 qualifications verified.
- The outcome of individual graduate applications is a matter for the CSCSE, and each application is considered on a case-by-case basis.

On 24 September 2025, the Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange (CSCSE) issued a *Notice Regarding the Update of Verified Overseas Institutions, 2025*. The notice advised of updates to the CSCSE's database of verified overseas institutions, known as the 'Verified Institutions Search'. The CSCSE is clear that the database is for reference only and it does not constitute any guarantee or basis for the verification of qualifications.

The Notice advised that over the 28 June 2020 to 28 June 2025 period the CSCSE had issued verifications for qualifications from four new countries (Andorra, Burundi, Mali and Sierra Leone) and had verified qualifications from 606 new institutions.

Institutions that appeared on the previous iteration of the list may not be included in the 2025 update. This is because the list will only include an institution if the CSCSE has verified a qualification issued by that institution over the last 5 years. The list is updated by the CSCSE every year to ensure it remains current and does not include institutions that have ceased operating, for example.

¹中国留学服务中心 [Chinese Service Centre for Scholarly Exchange] (2025) <u>关于 2025 年度认证院校查询数据更新的通</u>知 [Notice Regarding the Update of Verified Overseas Institutions, 2025]

² This database can be found at http://yxcx.cscse.edu.cn/rzyxmd, 认证院校查询 [Verified Institutions Search]

Graduates of institutions that do not appear on the list may still apply to have their overseas qualifications verified; the list does not affect the accreditation status of any institution.

The CSCSE's verification of overseas qualifications is done on a case-by-case basis and takes into consideration the application materials submitted by each individual graduate.

This also means that the CSCSE cannot pre-emptively provide assurance to a student or foreign provider that a qualification will be verified upon the student's graduation. The verification process will only begin once a student has completed their qualification and applied to the CSCSE for the verification statement.

Enquiries

For enquiries, please contact the <u>Education and Research Section</u> of the Australian Embassy in Beijing.

Further reading

2025: Verification of overseas academic qualifications in China

Key terms

English translation	Chinese term
China Service Centre for Scholarly Exchange (CSCSE)	中国留学服务中心
Notice Regarding the Update of Verified Overseas Institutions, 2025	关于 2025 年度认证院校查询数据更新 的通知
Verified Institutions Search	认证院校查询