

Overview of the Academic Credential Review Process

- Create an account via the <u>MyCAP Login</u> and complete the online **Application for Evaluation of Academic Credentials**. For more information about each step of the process, go to <u>CAP's website</u>.
- 2. There are 4 different pathways for the academic credential review process: "regular psychology pathway," "substantial equivalency pathway," "CPA/APA approved Doctoral pathway," and "CAP approved programs pathway." These pathways are explained in greater detail in CAP's <u>Criteria for Evaluating Academic Credentials</u> and PAA's <u>Guide to CAP's 4 Application Pathways</u>. Your pathway will impact which supporting documentation is required.
- 3. Submit any required supporting documentation digitally to credentials@cap.ab.ca or mailed to CAP's Edmonton office.
- 4. Pay the application fee. Your application will not be processed until the application fee has been paid in full. For more information on the application fee cost, please see CAP's <u>fee schedule page</u>.
- 5. After you send in the application, you wait. The Credentials Evaluation Sub-Committee (CESC) that evaluates credentials is comprised of volunteers and meets 8 times a year. In order to have your credentials reviewed at the next available meeting, you must submit everything prior to the next deadline date listed on <u>CAP's website</u>. You should expect to hear back from CAP within 90 business days of the submission deadline.
- 6. If your credentials are approved, you are ready to move on to the next step: finding a supervisor. Doctoral candidates will complete their supervised hours through their internship. Connect with PAA staff via paa@paa-ab.ca to gain access to the list of psychologists willing to supervise provisional psychologists. You will also gain access to the "Application for Registration as a Provisional Psychologist" and the "Hours of Supervised (Evaluated) Practice Form" on the MyCAP Login portal. You have 1 year to apply for registration as a provisional psychologist after having your academic credentials evaluated. After 1 year, you will have to re-apply to have your academic credentials evaluated and pay another application fee.
- 7. If your credentials do not get approved, your application will either be deferred or denied. You might need to take another course, or sometimes a degree altogether doesn't qualify. CAP has more information about next steps under the "Application Stages, Reviews, & Outcomes" section of their FAQ page

*If you have any questions about this process, please redirect them to CAP via credentials@cap.ab.ca. PAA is not involved in the academic credential review process.