

## **RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN SCHOOL DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES - NOSTRIFICATION AND EQUIVALENCE**

Nostrification and equivalence is the procedure of recognition of a primary or secondary school diploma or a certificate of a completed particular grade of primary or secondary school in a foreign country.

The right to initiate the procedure for nostrification or recognition of equivalence of a foreign school diploma is held by a citizen of the Republic of Srpska and Bosnia and Herzegovina who has graduated from school or completed a particular grade of school, as well as a foreign citizen and a stateless person if they have a legal interest.

The procedure is initiated by submitting the application by post to the address: Ministry of Education and Culture, Government of the Republic of Srpska, 1 Trg Republike Srpske, 78000 Banja Luka, or by submitting it personally to the protocol of the Ministry of Education and Culture.

**Application form** - filled out. Application forms will be available from the Office of Student Affairs which you can fill, print and sign.

The required documents:

- a certified copy of a diploma
- a certified copy of a certificate for all the grades completed in a foreign country or other school document (a report card)
- a certificate issued by the competent Ministry or by any other educational institution from the country of origin of a diploma, confirming that a particular secondary school lasts four years and that the holder of its diploma can enroll in higher education
- translation by a certified interpreter.

