

Foreign Credential Recognition Program: A success story!



Name: Farah Fawzi

Country of origin: Syria

Profession: Architect

Years of experience: 7 years in Damascus, Syria

Immigration to Canada: 2013

Farah is now a qualified architect and has been working as an architect intern for 2 years.

What were the obstacles you faced regarding your integration into the job market when you arrived in Quebec / Canada?

As an architect, the Canadian regulations to become certified are different than in my country; it requires equivalent education degree, tests and an internship. So, it was a matter of understanding the process and going through each phase.

What did you like about ACEM's approach?

ACEM helped me secure the payments needed to advance my professional recognition and ease my financial situation.

How did ACEM's Foreign Credential Recognition Program help you in your integration?

The professional recognition helped me integrate in the job market, I found a job in my field and I'm building my Canadian work experience.

What advice would you give to someone who has lived the same situation as yourself?

Don't give up, things will be hard at first that is normal, it's a new environment and it will take time to adjust but eventually you will reach your goal. Don't be afraid to meet people, knock doors and just believe in yourself.