

This document summarizes the proposed National Education Entrance Standard proposed by the AAC Ad Hoc Committee. The team recommended that a modified version of the Montreal Accord (2009) be developed as the standard for the Agrology profession across Canada. On June 15, 2017, the AAC Board of directors approved the proposed new standard.

A 120-credit four-year Baccalaureate degree in Agrology as defined in this standard and obtained from a Recognized University is required for registration with the profession. In addition, the degree must consist of course credits in specific course categories including Foundational Knowledge, Agrology, and Senior Level courses.

A 120-credit, four-year baccalaureate degree in Agrology is required. The degree must consist of the following course credits.	
Course Category	Course Credit Requirements
Foundational Knowledge Courses	<p><i>Natural Science based Agrology degree:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 credits in introductory natural sciences plus 3 credits in Economics plus 3 credits in Mathematics or Statistics plus 3 credits in Communications.</li> <li>Total credits = 24</li> </ul> <p><i>OR</i></p> <p><i>Social Science based Agrology degree (e.g. Agricultural Economics degree, Natural Resource Economics degree, Agribusiness degree):</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 credits in introductory social sciences plus 3 credits in natural sciences plus 3 credits in Mathematics or Statistics plus 3 credits in Communications</li> </ul> <p>Total credits= 24</p>
Agrology Courses + Senior Level Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>60 credits of Agrology courses.</li> </ul> <p>24 credits of senior level Agrology counted as part of the 60 Agrology credits identified under “Agrology Courses”.</p>
Professionalism, Ethics and Legislation Courses	Each institute is to be responsible for administering Professionalism, Ethics and Legislation instruction.

The team recommended that “**Recognized Universities**” be identified so that the quality of coursework is assured. A definition of “Recognized Universities” was developed for use with this standard.

Where an applicant has obtained a 120-credit Baccalaureate degree from a university not considered a “Recognized University” but has then subsequently completed the 60 Agrology credits (including the 24 senior level Agrology courses) at a Recognized University, the applicant is eligible to be registered with the profession provided the applicant has also attained the 24 credits of Foundational Knowledge at either university.

**Professionalism, Ethics and Legislation** courses are also required as part of the articling program of new members. These courses may be part of a degree program or may be directly taught by each Institute. Each Institute is responsible to ensure these subjects are part of the training of new members.

For review of **international applicants** with degrees conferred in nations other than Canada this National Entrance Standard must be interpreted in context with the structure of academic programs in the nation where the degree was conferred, without compromising the academic standards of the National Education Entrance Standard.