



# ARUCC 2012 Conference June 26-28, 2012

Workshop 5 – Getting the Skinny on Fraudulent Documents





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## **Outline:**

- ICES Background
  - ICES Document authentication process and procedure
    - Electronic document management
  - Document Fraud Samples
  - Introduction Characterization of Fraud
  - Reference materials and resources
  - Sample documents
- Diploma/Accreditation Mills
  - Definition
  - Samples
- Canadian Credential Fraud
  - Samples/stories
- Challenges and Impact
- Conclusion

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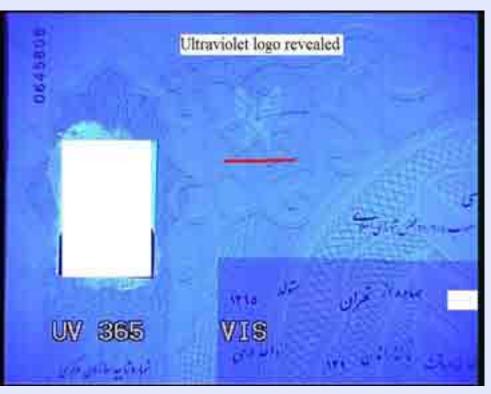
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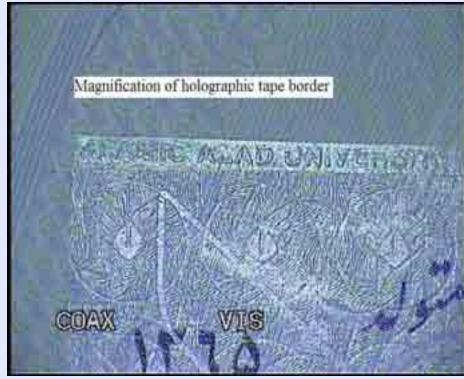
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- Infrared activated anti-Stokes fluorescent features
- Watermarks and metallic strips
- Variations in the infrared absorption and reflectance of inks and 'IR drop out' inks
- Retro-reflective images
- Variations in the infrared luminescence of inks
- DOVDs, holograms and kinegrams
- Surface features such as embossed stamps, intaglio printing and paper texture using oblique lighting
- Paper quality, by assessing the level of paper fluorescence
- Print quality, using high magnification up to x43 (approximate, on-screen)
- ICAO coded data
- Invisibly embedded information (IPI)





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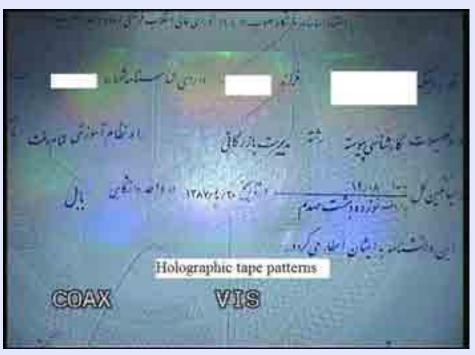


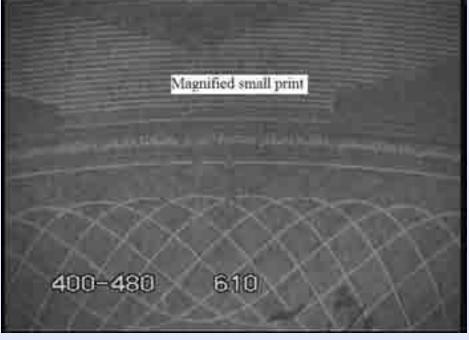






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## **Document Fraud Samples**

- Bangladesh National University Gazipur
- China Bachelor
- Iraq Medical Degree
- India Panjab University, Master of Arts
- Russia -Irkutsk State Technical University, Specialist Diploma
- Philippines University of the Philippines Dilliman, Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy
- Uganda Makerere University Bachelor of Business Administration

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Father's Name : Md. Motiur Rahman
Mother's Name : Salma Rahman

Name of Institution Teachers' Training College, Dhaka, Bangladesh Entrance Qualification Higher Secondary Certificate Examination

Degree Conferred : Master of Education Duration of Course : 01 (One) Year

#### Academic Attainments

Subject	Total Marks	Marks Obtained
English		
1st Paper	100	050
2nd Paper	100	057
3rd Paper	100	049
4th Paper	100	052
Total	400	208
Comperhensive	50	037
Viva-Vice	50	032
Total		277
Grand Total	500	277

Grading :

First Division 60% & above Second Division 45% & above Third Division 35% & above

Extra marks in English above 33 be added with grand total

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Date: April 06, 2010

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## China

A typical bachelor degree document from PR China around the year 2000:

It can be recognized by the Ministry of Education, or another level of ministry of PR China or the provincial government.

It is thick paper and should have a semi waxy feel. It is usually placed in a synthetic booklet style with clear thick plastic on part of the inner cover.

On the left side of the "booklet":

The emblem has red curtains which are quite defined as is the gold windows/pillars.

The type of degree is indicated (i.e. bachelor degree certificate).

In brackets, it will normally state either an Ordinary Higher Education Benke Graduate or an Adult Higher Education Benke Graduate.

On the right side of the "booklet":

Gold border

Watermark in gold学士学位 all across the page

There is a photo of the student usually with a dry ink seal or steel embossed on part of the picture, otherwise there should be a dry ink seal or steel emboss on the right side of the degree.

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The institution name.

The president and/or Chairman of Academic Degree Committee signature(s).

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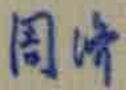
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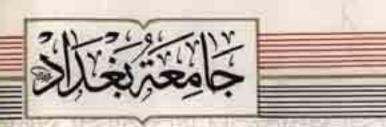
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## Documents from Iraq

- Environment:
- Through violence and war educational facilities were burned, looted and vandalized, and documents were lost
- People left Iraq in a hurry for safety
- Communication with institutions was often difficult or impossible
- Who is to know what's true?
- Credential:
- A Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery is a six-year full-time university degree
- It follows twelve years of primary and secondary education
- Marks are usually low



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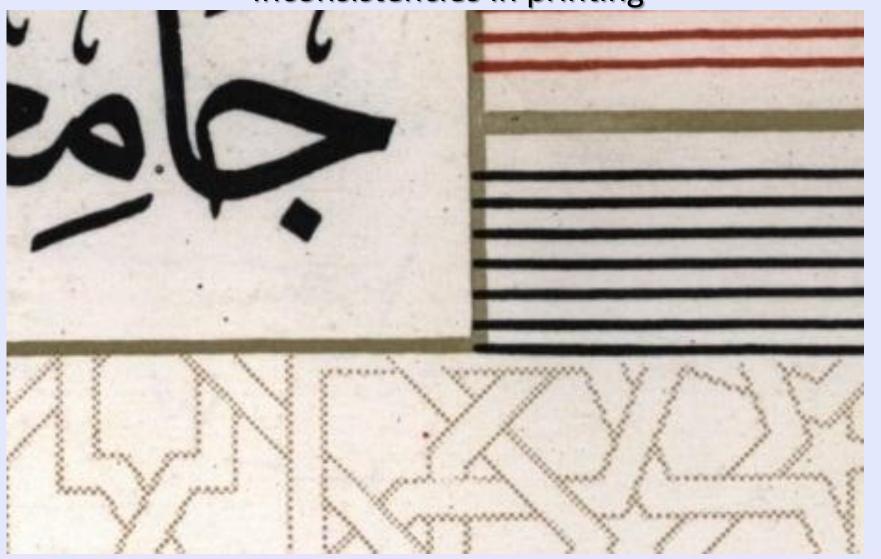
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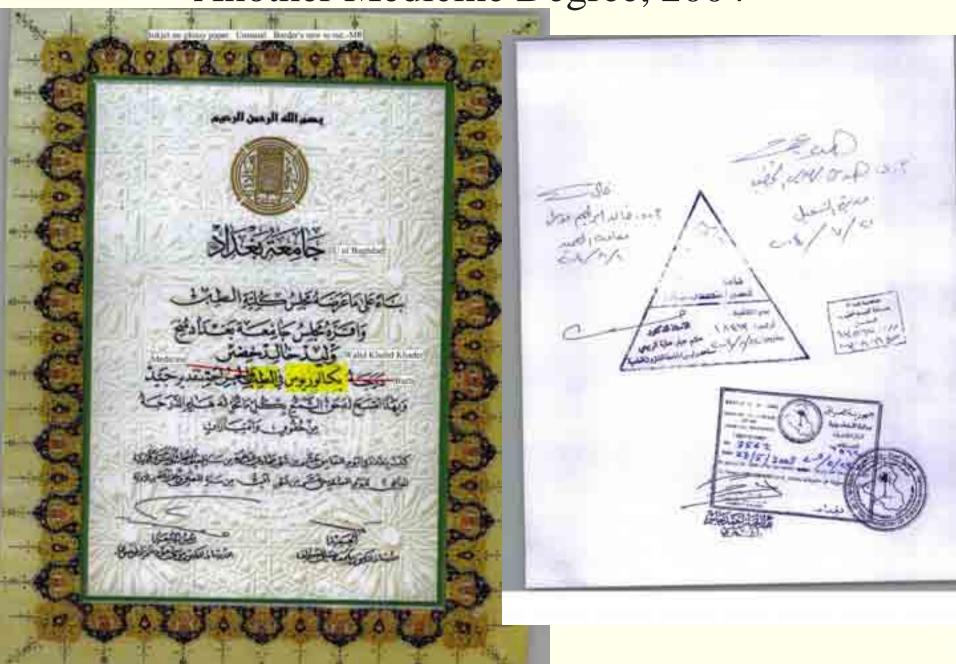
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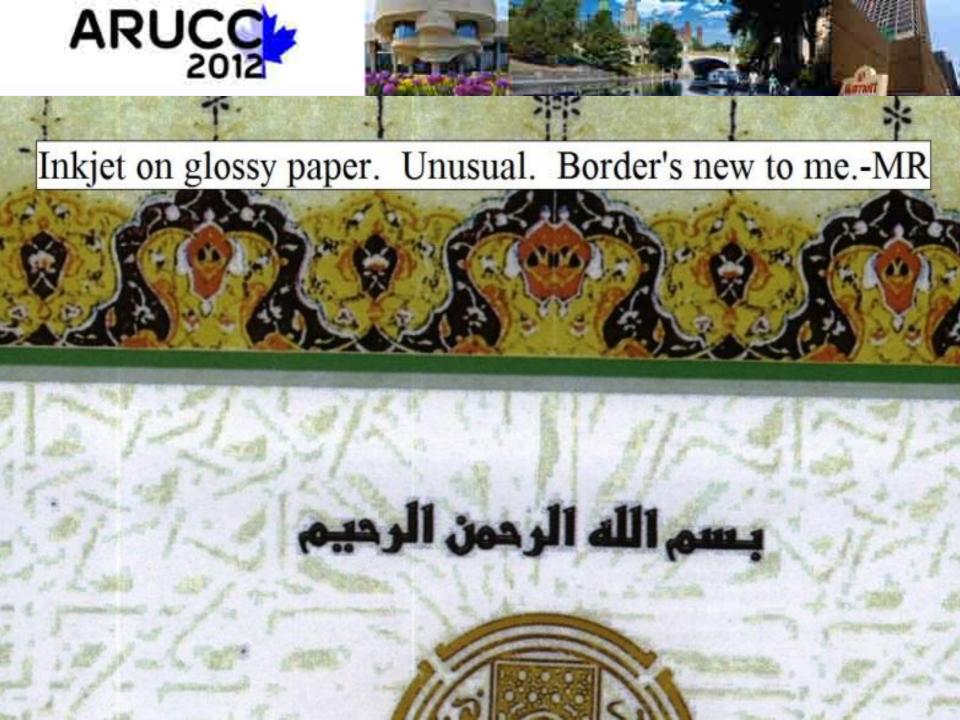
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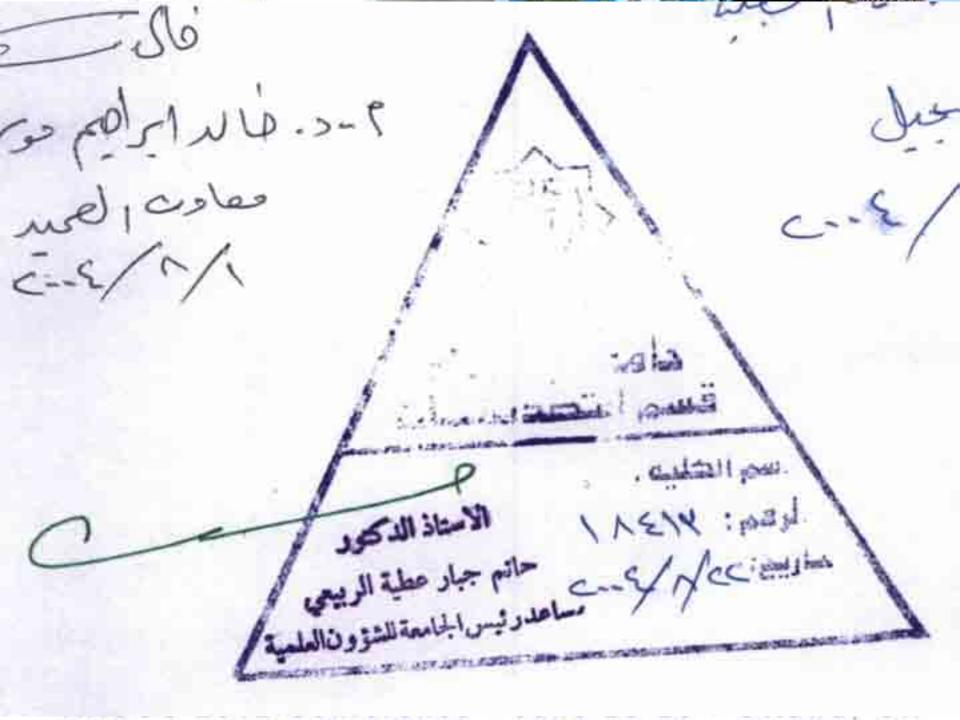
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Biology	76,6	60	75	7
Chemistry	77,6	90	90	8
Physics	78,8	60	75	7
Anatomy	64,1	120	60	8
Computer	78,6	60	30	4
National Culture	90		60	4

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Subject	Grade	Practical Hours	Theoretical Hours	Units
Anatomy	62,58	180	60	8
Histology	76,4	90	45	5
Embryology	62,8	191	30	2
Physiology	65,78	90	150	14
Bio- Chemistry	60	90	120	10
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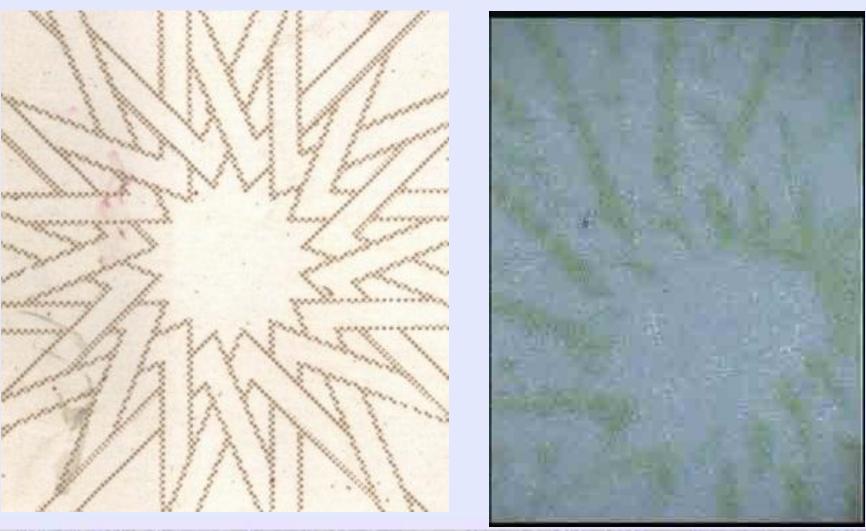
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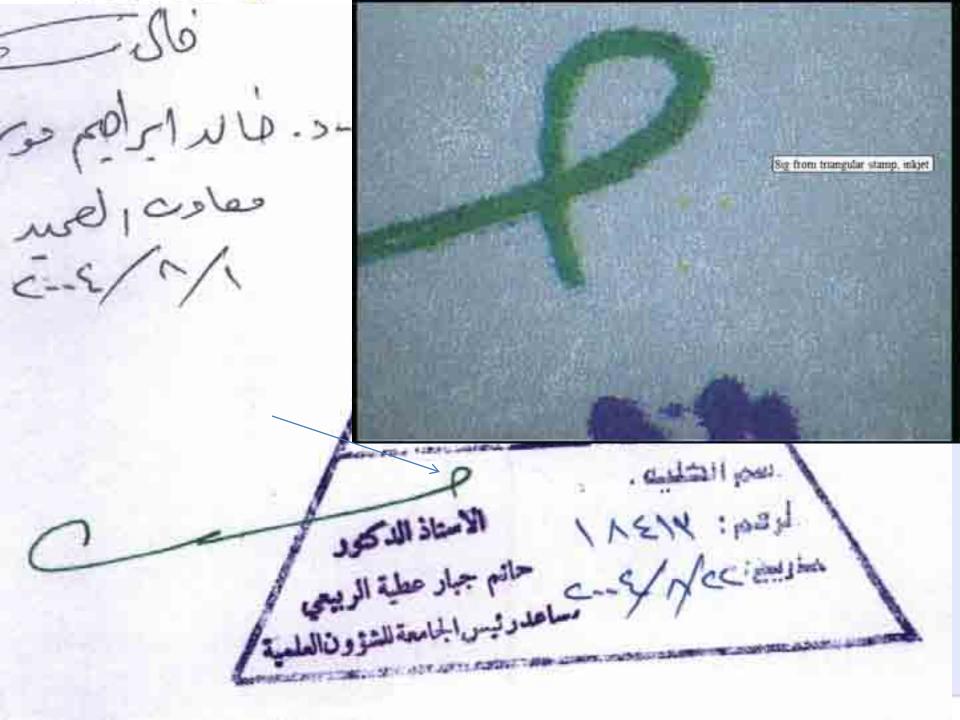




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## Dear Sir...

Referring to your letter dated April 7,2011, we the university of Baghdad, certify that the document for "Mr. Waleed Khalid Khader" issued by college of Medicine in our university are "forgery".

### The documents are :-

- Transcript of Records NO. 5378 dated on 16/6/2004 (forgery)
- Diploma (forgery)

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Dr. Riyadh Aziz Hadi Assistant president of Baghdad university for Scientific Affairs





## Iraq Now

- Graduates are often listed on their websites
- 73.04% would place that year's graduate 24<sup>th</sup> in a class of 316: top mark was 79.1%

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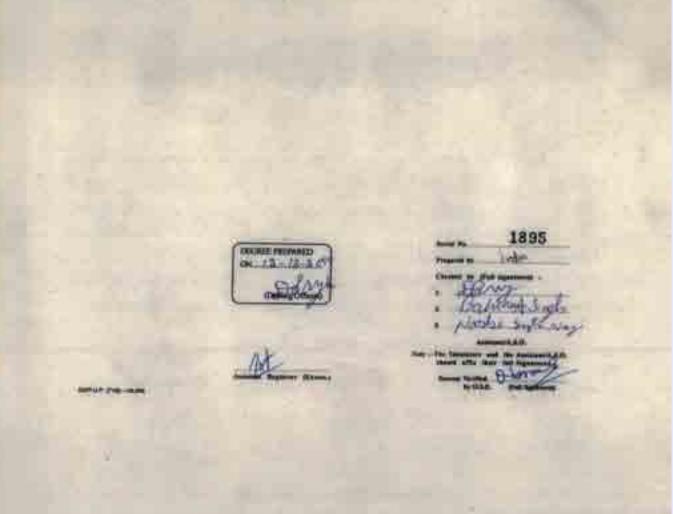
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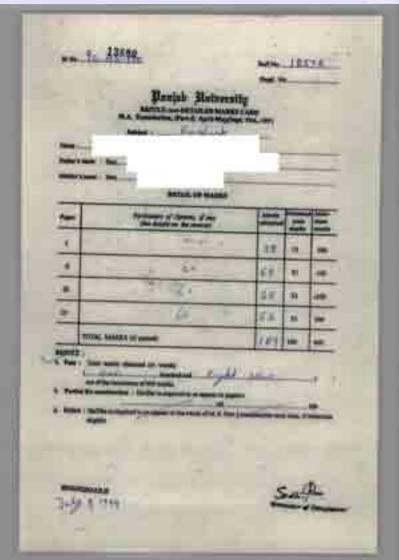
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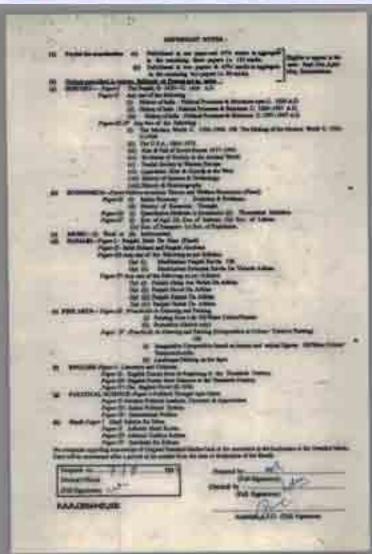


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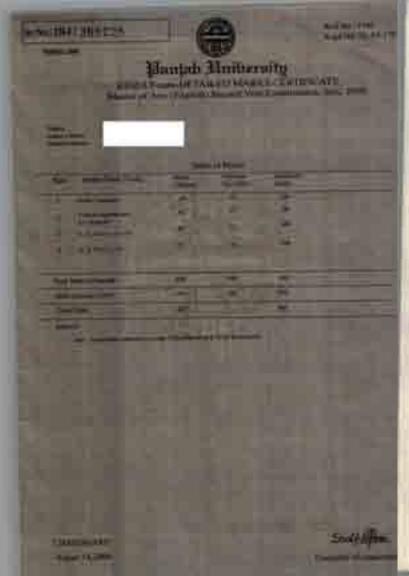


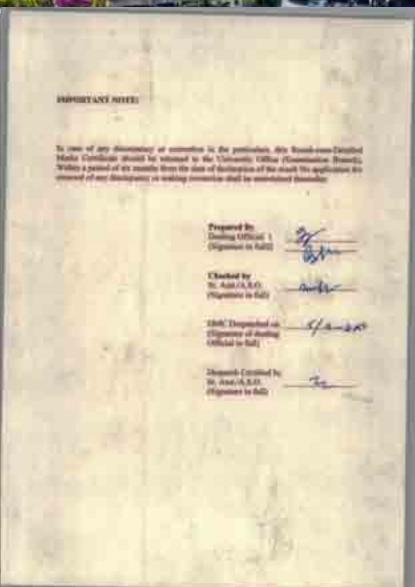


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Please be informed that the documents you sent to us for verification were not issued by the University of the Philippines Diliman (UPD). After a thorough check with our records, we have not found anyone by the name of RUBY ESPILOY who studied in or graduated from the University. Furthermore, a number of details found in the supposed transcript of records and diploma does not coincide with the official information:

#### Transcript of Records

- B.S. in Physical Therapy is offered by UP Manila and not UP Diliman:
- the course numbers and subjects are incorrectly labeled:
- the registrar for that year is incorrect;
- the date of graduation (for 1st semester) graduates is November and not October;
- the degree was conferred in March, 1994 but as per her TOR, she graduated in
- UP being a State University with its own Charter does not issue Special Order No. to its graduates.

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- the college was not indicated, and
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### Introduction

- Characterization of Fraud in Credential Evaluation
  - Degree Mills/Diploma Mills credentials
  - Accreditation Mills
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- Definition from the Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (CICIC) –
  - An organization that uses names of non-existent universities or establishes a university without proper authorization to sell documents that are not backed by appropriate study or examinations.
- Definition from the Wikipedia:
  - an organization that awards academic degrees and diplomas with substandard or no academic study and without recognition by official educational accrediting bodies. The purchaser can then claim to hold an academic degree, and the organization is motivated by making a profit. These degrees are often awarded based on construed life experience. Some such organizations claim accreditation by non-recognized/unapproved accrediting bodies set up for the purposes of providing a veneer of authenticity.
  - Accreditation Mill an organization that purports to award educational accreditation to higher education institutions without having government authority or recognition from mainstream academia to operate as an accreditor. Implicit in the terminology is the assumption that the "mill" has low standards (or no standards) for such accreditation. Accreditation mills are much like diploma mills, and in many cases are closely associated with diploma mills. The "accreditation" they supply has no legal or academic value, but is used in diploma mill marketing to help attract students





- Represent multi-billion dollar fraud each year
- Three sources: United States, UK and abroad
- Fake diplomas date back to as early as the 14<sup>th</sup> century in Europe
- Approximately 200k+ bogus degrees and diplomas are awarded to customers worldwide on an annual basis
- 2003 and 2004, the <u>Government Accountability Office</u> surveyed just a handful of agencies and found 463 federal employees with fraudulent degrees.
- According to the Oregon Office of Degree Authorization, Idaho, Hawaii,
  Montana, and California have either no meaningful standards, excessive
  loopholes or poor enforcement owing to local policy or insufficient staff.
  Degrees issued by unaccredited private colleges in Idaho should be
  evaluated with great caution

Verifile Limited's second annual Accredibase™ report into diploma and accreditation milt activity has revealed an astounding 48% increase worldwide in the number of known diploma and accreditation milts in the last year. As the internet is the primary home for these bogus education and accreditation providers, little action is taken to stop them from helping unscrupulous candidates deceive unsuspecting employers

According to the 2011 report, the USA remains the world's fake college capital. This year has seen a 20% increase in known diploma mills in the US, with the number rising from 810 to 1,008. While more than 40% percent of the diploma mills operate in California, Hawaii, Washington and Florida, the report reveals that District of Columbia has seen the sharpest increase among US states with 74%, rising from 19 to 33 mills over the past year.

Country	Number	% Change
California	147	10
Hawari	98	:4:
Washington	91	5
Florida	84	47
Texas	68	28
New York	55	25
Arizona	44	57
Louisiana	42	8
Delaware	37	42
District of Columbia	33	74





## Institutions who do not have the authority to award degrees in BC

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- Alternative Medicine Research Institute
- American Liberty University
- American University of London (Kingston College)
- Armstrong University
   Asia Pacific International Graduate
   School of Management
- Austin College
- Bible University
- Bircham International University
- Brainwells University
   Brixton University
- Canada International Education Center
- Canada Princeton College
- Canadian College of Management and Technology
- Canadian Institute of English

- Can-National Business College (formerly Canada Institute of Business & Technology and HGK International Institute of Business & Technology)
- Covenant Life College
- Distance Learning University
- Generale Polytechnic Institute
- Generale University
- George Washington University Inc
- Information University of America
- International Academic Correspondence Inc.
- Kennedy Open University
- Manhattan University
- Merlion International University
- Mission Institute of Canada
- Mission Institute of Distance Education

- Neurontology University
- Newton University
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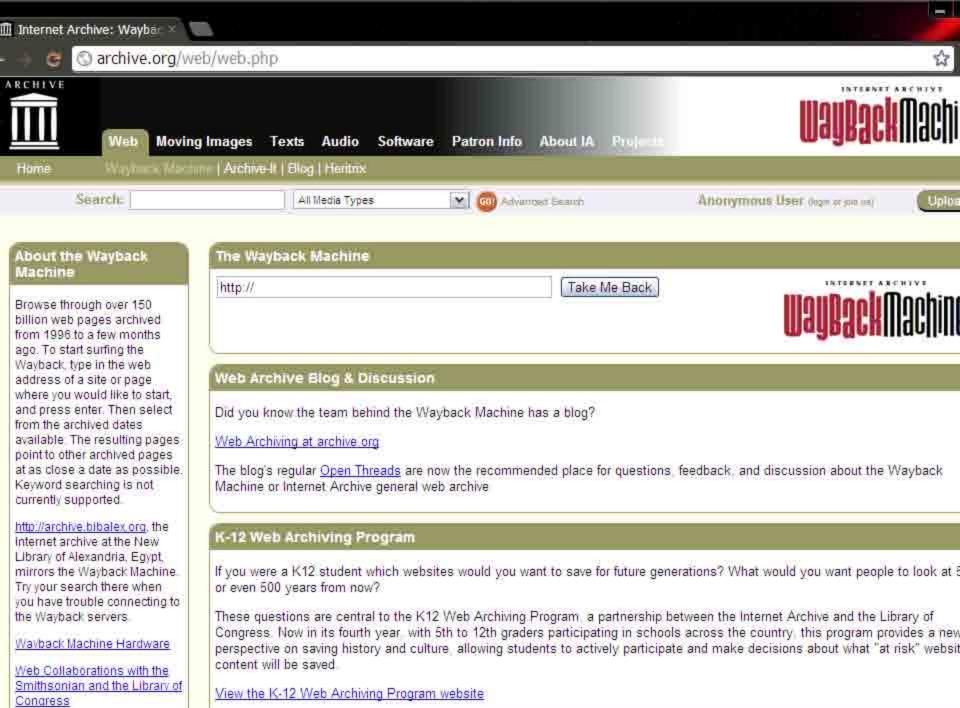


### Saint Regis University (SRU)

- Saint Regis University (SRU)
- Diploma Mill fraud ring, operating from 1999 2005
- Issued degrees based on life experience, they sold degrees and high school diplomas
- SRU would sell degree unscrupulously
- Corruption and bribery of Liberian officials allowed for the SRU to "operate" in Liberia with ministerial approval from the government of Liberia
- Dixie Randock, linked to 18 other front "schools".



- » Special thanks to Dr. George Gollin at the University of Illinois for sharing his presentation with me
- » Many of the slides you're about to see were created by Dr. Gollin
- » Since 2003, Dr. Gollin has been very active in fighting against diploma mills
- » In fact, he had a contributing role in bringing down SRU







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Diploma mill degree information

The names of nearly 10 000 people surfaced in a federal investigation of a Spokane diploma mill that was selling phony and counterfeit high school and college degrees. While not everyone on the list prepared by the U.S. Department of Justice purchased a diploma or certificate, the department found information about the people listed below in various records kept by those running the diploma mill.

The list, which the U.S. Department of Justice refused to release to the public but provided to state officials around the country, was obtained by The Spokesman-Review and published July 28, 2008

After the list was circulated, sources familiar with the investigation indicated that some individuals didn't necessarily buy degrees, but their names surfaced for various reasons during Operation Gold Seal. Those names, indicated with a single asterisk (\*), should not be considered confirmed degree buyers, sources said.

Names with a double asterisk (\*\*) are individuals who provided information that they did not buy a degree based on documents from the Justice Department obtained through the Freedom of Information Act. The documents, which indicated they only contacted the diploma mill seeking information, have been provided to The Spokesman-Review.

Also see Diploma mill degree information, in military, government or education

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Vanasse, Lillian R L		Canada	HS	
Vincic, Steve		Canada	BA	Concordia College & University
Wong, Kin-Yau Kenny		Canada	PhD	
Włudarski, Peter		Canada	BA	Blackstone University
Zheng, Shu Juan		Canada	ВА	
Zilinsky, Sheila		Canada		
Wilson, Grant		Canada	БА	American West University
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- Signs to look for:
- Check accreditation Status
- Don't be fooled by sound alike names, Columbia International University,
- Make sure graduation dates that make sense, no backdating
- Fees, sometimes on a sliding scale
- Experience based degrees, double credit
- Display of certificates, awards, degrees offered
- Check the history of the school
- Customization of credentials with respect to specialization, names, schools
- Gaudy ads, spam advertisements, stock photography





### **Accreditation Mills**

- According to the English Terminology Guide produced by CICIC:
- An organization that awards accreditation to institutions without requiring them to meet appropriate quality standards, lacking any review of activity, and without any requirement for subsequent periodic review.





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Based in Switzerland

International Education Ministry of Accreditation Association

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National Board of Education

Southern Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Colleges

United Congress of Colleges Ireland, UK

US-DETC Nevada (Note: Not to be confused with the legitimate DETC, based in Washington DC.)

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A variety of for-profit and non-profit organizations serve as accreditation bodies that provide standards for the evaluation and/or accreditation of learning programs offered by an educational institution. These bodies offering recognition of the programs vary greatly in their qualification prerequisites. Before getting itself, an educational institution should review them carefully based on its goals. Belford University, in an effort to provide quality education, has employed a stringent internal review system for its programs.

#### What is accreditation?

Accreditation is a process through which a program/school maintains and improves its standards and practices. Accrediting organizations develop criteria or standards by which a school can be measured. It is the responsibility of accrediting organizations to audit programs on the basis of quality, accountability, and improvement for those institutions that are accredited by them.

#### What is the significance of Accreditation for an educational institute?

Accreditation is important to various constituent groups because it represents an organization's commitment to quality and control. Also, business and industry leaders are interested in the quality of programs and consider accreditation status an important factor. Individuals are assured of accountability and of value for their efforts through the arrangement between program and the accrediting entity via procedure and policy control and compliance with established standards. Seeking accreditation from a separate entity is not a must to ensure high standards of education. Some institutions have internal quality control functions to serve the same purpose of audit. To keep the program fees reasonably priced, they engage in self-audit of their institute's processes to provide their students with the best services.

#### Belford University Standards

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#### Diploma Mills are illegal in these states:

- **Florida**-In order to be claim a degree either verbally or on paper (i.e. resumes and job applications), a person's diploma must meet certain qualifications set by the state.
- Illinois-People may not use diploma mill degrees to obtain employment, get a promotion, get a raise, or apply to college.
- **Indiana**-It is illegal to use an invalid doctorate degree, either orally or in writing, when attempting to get business or perform a business related job.
- Oregon-Diploma mill degrees may not be used in Oregon. Unaccredited degrees may be used if the following disclaimer is included on all correspondence (resumes, business cards, etc): "(Name of school) does not have accreditation recognized by the United States Department of Education and has not been approved by the Office of Degree Authorization."
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- **Michigan**-Diploma mill degrees may not be used to apply to college, obtain employment, get a raise, get a promotion, apply for a loan, or in use relation to any business.
- **Nevada-**It is illegal for people to use degrees that they did not earn or degrees that are granted based on 10% or more of the recipient's life experience.
- New Jersey-Diploma mill degrees may not be used in relation to businesses, trades, professions, and occupations.
- **North Dakota-**People may not use a diploma mill degree to apply to college, obtain employment, get a raise, get a promotion, or in use relation to any business.
- **Texas**-It is illegal to use fraudulent or substandard degrees to advertise or promote business, obtain employment, obtain licensing or certification to practice business, get a promotion or other benefit, get a raise, gain admission to an educational program, or gain a government position with authority over others.
- **Virginia-**People may not use diploma mill degrees in relation to any business, trade, profession, or occupation.
- Washington-Diploma mill degrees may not be used to advertise or promote business, obtain employment, obtain licensing or certification to practice business, get a promotion or other benefit, get a raise, gain admission to an educational program, or gain a government position with authority over others.

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- CBS story that ran in 2007:
- http://www.cbsnews.com/2100-18563 162-616664.html
- Recent story, 12 Michigan Police Officers who bought degrees from Almeda University:
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- Laura Callahan, she was the former senior director at the US Department of Homeland Security
- She resigned after an investigation revealed that she obtained her academic degrees from a diploma mill. She was also involved with an event that released thousands of email messages to be released.
- Ms. Callahan's credentials are from Hamilton University, a known diploma mill in Wyoming.
- She says she was fooled into believing that her institution was accredited, she was placed on administrative leave in 2003 and was still earning her 6-figure salary until she was forced to resign in 2004
- Hamilton University <u>link</u>
- Eight years later, she went back to school and earned her Bachelor and Master Degrees, and is now a PhD. Candidate.
- Where is she now: <u>link</u>





### **High Level Resignations**

- (2007) Marilee Jones Dean of Admissions at MIT
- "I misrepresented my academic degrees when I first applied to MIT 28 years ago and did not have the courage to correct my resume when I applied for my current job or at any time since," Jones said in a brief statement. She first worked as an administrative assistant at the school and steadily rose to become dean of admissions.





### **High Level Resignations**

- (2006) David Edmondson Former President and CEO of RadioShack Corp.
- "At this time the board and I have agreed that it is in the best interest of the company for new leadership to step forward so that our turnaround plan has the best possible chance to succeed, as I know it will,"





### **Canterbury University**

- Canterbury University in the United Kingdom (not to be confused with the University of Canterbury in New Zealand or Canterbury Christ Church University in the United Kingdom) is an example of a diploma mill that ICES was recently asked to evaluate.
- Website:
- Canterbury University is governed by the British Law of Private Universities issued in England in 1988. Moreover, the university complies with the British Educational regulations and has obtained ISO 9001 in July 1994. Our university is certified by the Colleges Union Council in Ireland and internationally certified according to the International law of the Hague Convention on October 5, 1961 through UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization). Further, our university is recognized in many countries around the world without any requirements. Thus, the certificate issued by our university is certified by the US Secretary of States, Irish Foreign Ministry and Embassies in these countries.

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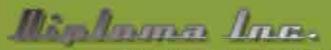




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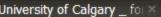


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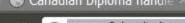
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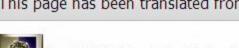












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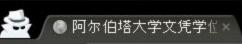
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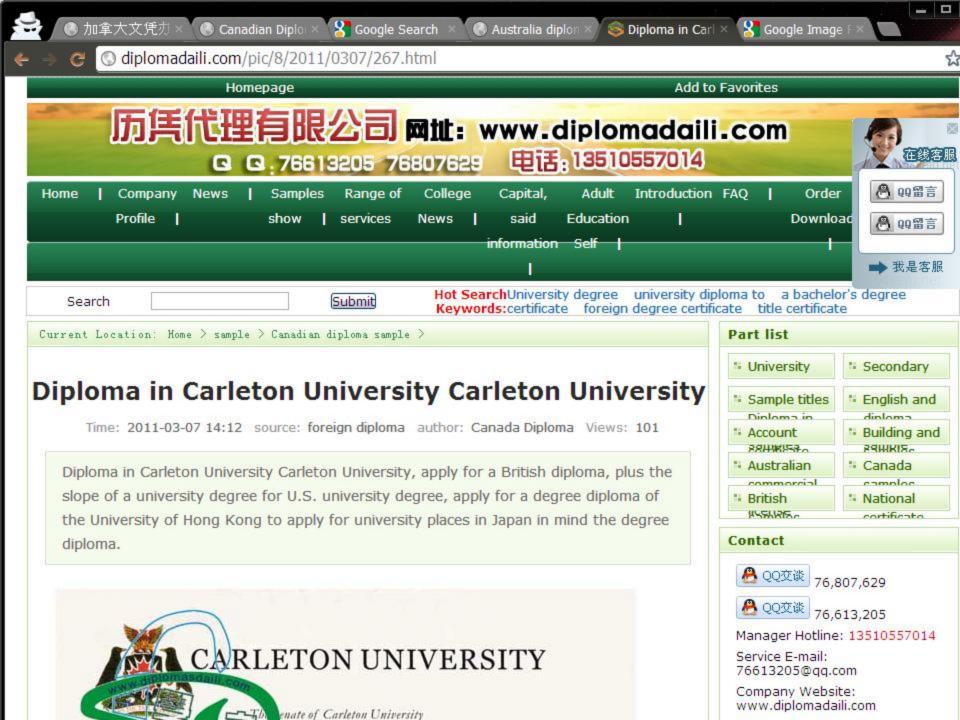
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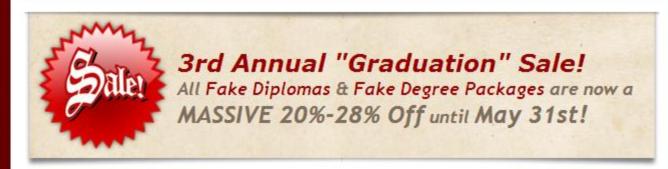
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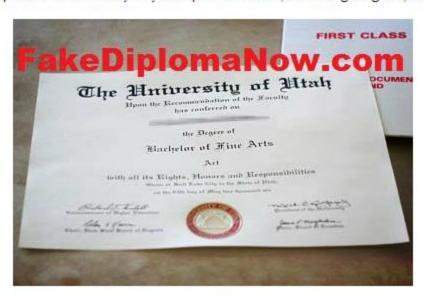




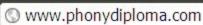
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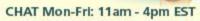


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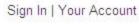
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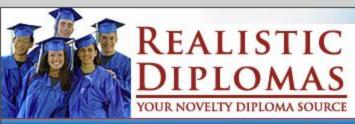


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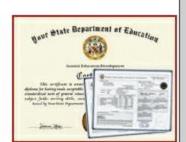


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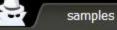




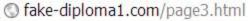


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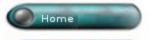






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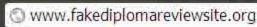
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Dear Mr. Finnegan,

My name is Roger Hur, I am the manager of the International Credential Evaluation Service (ICES) located in Burnaby, British Columbia Canada. ICES is the provincially mandated credential evaluation service in BC.

While doing some research, I came across this document:

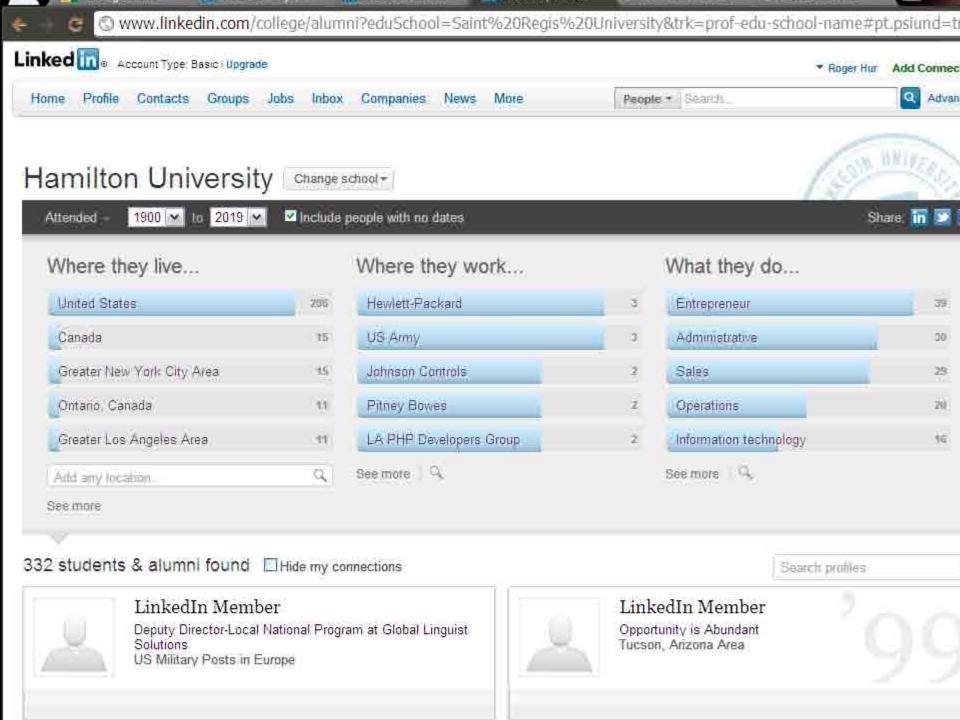
http://www.lindenwood.edu/academics/catalog/catalogArchive/2010-11Catalog.pdf and within the document lists a Michael Romanich, the Adjunct Professor of Business. I'm not sure if you're aware, but he's listed his Ph.D from a known diploma mill, Hamilton University.

Mr. Romanich is referring to himself as a Dr. and I'm not sure that's appropriate. Please check further if you wish. It may be an area of concern for your institution. I am contacting you to pass on this (what I believe to be) important information.

Again, I can't begin to understand or know what the academic policies are at Lindenwood, but having faculty on staff with a diploma mill degree would at least be probably be frowned upon. In fact, in many states it is illegal to possess such a credential. Here is information from the Oregon State Office of Degree Authorization fyi:

http://www.osac.state.or.us/oda/unaccredited.aspx

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## Conclusion

- What can we do as administrators, educators, credential evaluators?
  - Be vigilant examine things carefully
  - Stay current try to keep up with all the innovations in technology, education systems, document standards, do not rely on diploma/accreditation mill lists alone. "Diploma Mills are a moving target"
  - Share information amongst yourselves.
  - Consider security features in your documents, degrees, transcripts, etc. Look at tools for online verification.
    - Stanford University Registrar Thomas Black introducing self-authenticating transcripts that incorporate PDF digital signature technology
  - Recommendations to revise policy
    - Look at creating and implementing policies around fraud and forgeries and how your treat those individuals
    - Contact your legal departments and consider revising statements about documents.
       We need to take these documents out of circulation
- President Obama's response to Diploma Mills: <u>Link</u>



Academic credential fraud is big business both colleges and universities, and even some govern





## **Keeping It Honest**

- David Tobenkin is a freelance writer in Bethesda, Maryland.
- Link
- "Hampered by legal concerns, administrative resource limitations, and fears of bad publicity, many universities decline to pursue legal action against even egregious fraudsters. At many universities, enforcement efforts are also hampered because the institutions delegate action against students suspected of fraud to honor code organizations that are often student-run and that tend toward leniency."





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