

Practical qualification evaluation at HF & VUC København Syd

What is a practical qualification evaluation?

Practical qualifications are your acquired knowledge, skills and qualifications - regardless of where and how they are acquired. Practical qualifications can, for example be attained:

- In working life, spare time and through education
- Through a stay at a high school or evening classes
- Through participation in associations and organisations
- As an active volunteer with a relief or help organisation
- Through stays overseas, for example, learning another language

Everything dependent on the context can shape the content, and the requirements may fluctuate.

What is the difference between an RKV and an IKV?

RKV stands for realkompetencevurdering or practical qualification evaluation in English. The description is used to describe practical qualifications generally - in the broadly-based sense - and in relation to the educational institutions' accumulated task with the evaluation and recognition of these, which is also the reason why we use this description at KBHSYD. IKV stands for individuel kompetencevurdering or individual qualification evaluation in English, and indicates as it sounds that there is reference to an evaluation of the individual student's individual and unique qualifications. In practice there is no difference in the use of the two abbreviations, although they emphasise different, but equally important aspects.

What kind of practical qualification evaluation can I take at KBH SYD?

At KBH SYD we offer practical qualification evaluations in the specific subjects and levels we offer lessons in. We do not offer evaluations in entire educations and titles, these can be found at the educational institutes in question. However, it is relevant to seek a practical qualification evaluation with us if you know exactly which subjects and at which levels you would like to be assessed. Quite often our RKV candidates would like a practical qualification evaluation in a single subject they need in order to apply for an admission to a more extensive education.

A classic example could be: You need English B or A as the missing link in order to be admitted to the education of your dreams, but you don't have a qualification for this subject by traditional means. Perhaps you have, however, travelled overseas for longer periods, worked for an international organisation or maybe you have taken an education abroad in other subjects which are the equivalent of English B or A level.

It might also be the case that, for example, you need Social studies or Business economics; but that you would be able to attain the required level in this field or subject through different work with organisations, a job as a supply teacher, or employment with a work place where you have been occupied with bookkeeping or something similar.

What do I need to do and have ready before I apply?

When you apply to do a RKV you should have undertaken the required preliminary work by yourself. We can of course guide you in the process, but you should prove that you are in possession of the certification and aptitude you claim – thus you should state the reasons why your qualifications can compensate for 6 – 12 months teaching at the level concerned.

Therefore find these references, exam certificates, job descriptions and if necessary appropriate reasons, and attach them when you apply to do an RKV. When you work through your application it could be helpful to use www.minkompetencemappe which is a useful tool for creating an overview. Read more about this too at the Ministry of Education's homepages <https://www.uvm.dk/almen-voksenuddannelse-avu/undervisning-og-fag/individuel-kompetencevurdering>

How does an RKV happen?

Even though the exact form of an RKV can vary, in every single case a specialist teacher evaluates to what extent RKV certification can be issued on the basis of your documented qualifications and application. It could also be necessary for you to be tested in certain areas. This evaluation is used to decide whether a practical qualification certificate – which is comparable to a usual exam certificate – can be issued. In some circumstances a specialist teacher will issue a certificate on the basis of the application, and in others ask you to take a test from an extract of a regular exam paper on the subject. As the applicant you don't have any influence on the form this will take, as it is the individual specialist teacher's decision based on a sound knowledge and responsibility in the subject in question.

Guidance appointment:

Contact:

If you would like to know more about the opportunities about taking an RKV please contact Vejledningen at vejledning@kbhsyd.dk

Complaint procedure guidance:

If you would like to appeal against the decision regarding your qualification evaluation this should be presented to Kvalifikationsnævnet. The complaint or appeal must be in writing and

substantiated. The complaint should be addressed to Kvalifikationsnævnet and sent to the educational institution which has made the decision. The institution will then send the complaint to Kvalifikationsnævnet with a pronouncement.