

DEFINITIONS

Word	Definition	Comment
Accreditation	To give official authorization to, or approve of, or recognise, or vouch for as conforming to a standard.	A formal evaluation process to assure conformity to general standards and expectations of the profession
Body	A group of persons associated by some occupation and regarded as an entity	Organisations or agencies
Certificate	An official document recording a particular fact, event or level of achievement.	Usually issued after participating in an event, or attending a course or achieving a result from an academic endeavour.
Certification	A formal declaration of a person's competency, based on passing specified criteria as determined by the professional group to which the person belongs.	Leads to awarding of credentials
Credentials	A symbol that indicates a person has been awarded certain status or authority.	Post-nominals (letters after someone's name) are the most common way of recognising credentials.
Endorse	To support, back, give ones approval, officially and by signature	Licensing of AIIMs & BWA RTO providers
Evaluate	To draw conclusions from examining; to assess against standards	
Industry	The people or companies engaged in a particular kind of enterprise	Emergency Management, Financial Services, Health Care, Industrials, Technology
Inspect	Examine carefully with the intent of verification	
Institution	An established organisation founded and united for a specific purpose	Mostly commonly used to describe learning and education bodies
Licensing	Giving official permission to do something	AFAC licenses RTO's to deliver AIIMS and WER training
Profession	'A disciplined group of individuals who adhere to high ethical standards and uphold themselves to, and are accepted by, the public as possessing special knowledge and skills in a widely recognised, organised body of learning derived from education and training at a high level, and who are prepared to exercise this knowledge and these skills in the interest of others. Inherent in this definition is the concept that the responsibility for the welfare, health and safety of the community shall take precedence over other considerations.'	Medicine, Law, Accountant, architects, nurses,

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Professional	A member of a profession founded upon specialised knowledge and education	Often used to describe a person's specialised status, as well as personal attribute
Professionalism	The attitude of individuals to adhere to and display the values and expectations of the profession	Mostly used to describe a personal attribute
Professionalisation	The process of transforming an occupation into a profession.	Includes different steps that make up a whole scheme, including accreditation, certification and verification.
Regulation	An authoritative rule to govern behaviour; the state of being controlled or governed to bring uniformity	A legislative act or self-regulation
Sector	A particular aspect of business activity	Emergency Services, Law Enforcement, Health Services, Banking, Mining, etc
Standard	A basis for comparison; a reference point against which other things can be evaluated	AIIMS and BWA comply with AQTF 2010 Standard
Uniformity	The state of being uniform, alike and lacking diversity	Absence of alternatives
Verification	Additional proof that something that was believed is correct	
Vocation	Occupational group: a body of people doing the same kind of work	

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Transforming an Occupation into a Profession

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