



Guide to Identification of Agrology Courses

Authority: Registration Administration

The Admission and Registration Committee (ARC) assesses whether an applicant's academic credentials meet the MIA admission standards.

A variety of means are used by MIA staff and the ARC committee to determine a result.

An applicant who is not satisfied with MIA's assessment decision may ask the ARC to reconsider the assessment result, or, an applicant may also appeal the ARC's original decision. Requests for reconsideration, or appeal, are an opportunity to bring forward and review new information. The onus is on the applicant to provide MIA with additional information not previously considered.

The following information may assist applicants who wish to provide (additional) information about their education credentials.

1. **What is an Agrology Course?**

MIA's education/knowledge standard for admission includes a requirement for a minimum number of **Agrology** credits acquired from courses (60 credits for Professional Agrologist; 45 credits for Technical Agrologist). How does MIA differentiate an Agrology course from another science course? Detailed information about the definition of an agrology course and a foundation science course is available in the document, "*Definitions Pertaining to the Required Basic Knowledge of Agrology and Foundational Science*" (used with permission, Alberta Institute of Agrologists, 2015).

2. **Providing Additional Information**

MIA will assess/reassess courses if an applicant provides detailed course outlines or syllabi for all courses deemed to be **Agrology** courses. Additional information about academic courses in **Agrology** that has been successfully completed for credit must be submitted. Calendar descriptions are not usually sufficient for assessment. Course information from the university or college where the course was taught should include the following:

- a. a statement of the course objectives
 - b. an outline of the units studied in the course
 - c. name of textbook(s) and/or bibliographies used
 - d. information should also be included for any lab component of a course
3. Course information should be submitted in English. If the original information has been issued by an institution in a language other than English, the applicant must include a copy of the original information and the English translation.
 4. Once material has been submitted, courses will be re-evaluated by the MIA Registration and the Admission and Registration Committee. Information may be submitted by mail, email, or fax.