

Information on the possibility of writing the OIIQ professional exam

Applicants for registration must meet, among other things, the examination requirements. All applicants for NB registration must take and pass the NCLEX-RN exam, with the exception of those who have passed a licensing exam recognized by another Canadian province or territory. New Brunswick graduates who meet all of the eligibility requirements for registration, except for passing the registration exam, may meet this requirement by writing and passing the registration exam in any province or territory in Canada. Currently, only Quebec has a registration exam other than the NCLEX-RN. This exam is recognized by NANB.

It is important to mention that this option is available to both French and English speaking graduates and that the OIIQ (Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec) exam can be taken in the language of your choice.

The OIIQ exam is offered twice a year, in September and March. Information regarding the dates and locations of the exam sessions and the registration deadline can be found here:

<https://www.oiiq.org/acceder-profession/parcours-etudiant/examen-professionnel/convocation-et-inscription> .

The steps to follow are those of a request for training equivalence. The information is available here: [Exercer au Québec \(Practice in Quebec\) : Canada | OIIQ](#) in the section “Situation 2 : Je détiens un diplôme en sciences infirmières d’une université canadienne, mais je n’ai pas l’autorisation d’exercer la profession infirmière dans une province ou un territoire au Canada” (Situation 2: I have a nursing degree from a Canadian university, but I am not licensed to practice nursing in a Canadian province or territory).

Fees apply when requesting equivalence of training from the OIIQ, as well as for each enrollment to the exam of the order and to obtain preparation tools for the exam. Applicants for N.B. registration who meet the examination requirement by passing the OIIQ professional exam will be eligible for initial NANB nursing registration at no cost.

Preparation tools for the OIIQ professional exam can be found here: [Parcours étudiant : préparation à l’examen professionnel \(Student pathway: preparation for the professional exam\) | OIIQ](#) and here [Si l’examen m’était conté \(If the exam were told to me\) | OIIQ](#)

For any questions regarding the OIIQ license application process or the OIIQ professional exam, please contact the OIIQ at 514-935-2501 or at equivalence-br@oiiq.org.