

Marketable postsecondary degree means an industry recognized credential, vocational certificate or license, associate degree, bachelor's degree, or a graduate level certification/advanced degree. A degree is considered unmarketable when:

- (a) the applicant can show that the credential prepared them for a specific occupation that they are no longer able to perform due to physical or mental health limitations;
- (b) the applicant can show that the credential was received over 20 years ago and was intended to prepare the individual for a specific occupation which they have not worked in for the last 15 years;
- (c) The degree, credential or license was obtained in another country or jurisdiction and is not recognized by the appropriate professional licensing body as a marketable degree in Maine; or
- (d) The applicant can show that the credential does not prepare them to obtain employment in their labor market area earning at least the CSSP median wage listed on the current CSSP High-Wage In- Demand (HWID) list. The CSSP HWID list, including the CSSP median wage can be found on the CSSP website.