

# Summary of overseas equivalent qualifications for Year 11

## A - B

### **Afghanistan:**

Baccalauria. Marked on a percentage scale, with 40% being the minimum pass mark.

### **Argentina:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale of 0-10, with 4-10 being pass marks.

### **Austria:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale of 1-5 (minimum), with 1-4 being pass marks.

### **Bahrain:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale of 1-4 (maximum), all are passing marks.

### **Bangladesh:**

Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) or Intermediate Certificate (Grade XII level).

### **Belgium:**

Completion of two years study towards the Diplome d'Aptitude a Acceder a l'Enseignement Superieur - (3 years duration).

### **Bolivia:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale of 1-7 (maximum), with 3.6 being the minimum pass mark.

### **Brazil:**

One year study before achieving the 'Certificado de Conclusao de 2 Grau' or Completion of the 3rd year of Secondary School/2 Grau.

### **Brunei:**

Cambridge Overseas School Certificate OR Brunei/Cambridge GCE O levels, grades A-E (or 1-8) considered pass marks.

### **Burma:**

Completion of the Basic Education High School Examination/Matriculation (awarded after completion of standard X). (Myanmar)

## C - D

### **Cambodia:**

Completion of the Baccalaureate Part I Examinations. Marking scale of 1-20 (maximum), with 10 the minimum pass mark.

### **Canada:**

(Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, New Foundland, North West Territories, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Saskatchewan)

Assessed on a year-by-year basis Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling.

Where graded results are given A-D or P are considered a pass. With a percentage scale, 50%+ is considered a pass (This applies for all states of Canada)

**Chile:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Grading scale of 1-7 (maximum), with 4 as the minimum pass mark. Completion of the 3rd year of secondary schooling (Educacion Media). Secondary schooling covers 4 years after 8 years of Primary.

**China:**

Completion of Year 2 of Senior High School (also referred to as Senior Middle School). Five subjects passed with marks of 50% and over. Senior High School is normally 3 years duration.

**Cyprus:** (See GREECE or TURKEY).

**Colombia:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale of 1-10 or 1-100, with 5 or 50 being the minimum pass marks.

**Costa Rica:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale of 1-100, with 60 as the minimum pass mark.

**Czech Republic:**

Completion of two years study towards the Maturitni Zkouska/Maturita or Skuske Certificate. Marked on a scale of 1-5 (minimum), with 4 being the minimum pass mark.

**Denmark:**

Completion of two years study towards the Studentereksamen or Forberedelseseksamen or Handelseksamen or Teknisk Eksamen -(3 years duration in upper secondary school). Marked on a scale of 0-13 (maximum), with 6 as the minimum pass mark.

**Dominican Republic:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a percentage scale, with 60% being the minimum pass mark.

**E- F**

**Ecuador:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale of 1-20 (maximum), with 10 as the minimum pass mark.

**Egypt:**

Completion of two years study towards the General Secondary School Certificate (usually three years duration). Five subjects passed with marks of 50% or greater.

**El Salvadore:**

Completion of two years study towards the Bachillerato School Leaving Certificate (usually three years duration). Marked on a scale of 1-10 (maximum), with 5 as the minimum pass mark.

**Ethiopia:**

Completion of the first year (Grade 11) of the Ethiopian School Leaving Certificate (usually two years duration in Senior Secondary). Marked on a scale of 1-100, with 50 as the minimum pass mark.

**Fiji:**

Fiji School Leaving Certificate or the New Zealand Universities Entrances Examination Certificate (Form 6) with passes in four subjects including English. Marked on a percentage scale, minimum pass is 50%.

**Finland:**

Completion of two years study towards the Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Lukion Paastotodistus/gymnasiets dimissionsbetyg), which is usually three years duration. Marked on a scale of 4-10, with 5 as the minimum pass mark.

**France:**

Completion of the Brevet de l'Enseignement General or two years towards the Baccalaureat de l'Enseignement. The marking system is based on a numerical scale of 1-20, with 10 as the minimum pass mark.

**G - H**

**Germany:**

Completion of one year's study towards the Abitur/Reifezeugnis/Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife (usually two years duration). Marked on a scale of 1 (max) -5, with 4 as the minimum pass mark or on a scale of 0-15, with 4 as the minimum pass mark.

**Ghana:**

Completion of the West African School Certificate (O Levels). Marked on a scale of A-F, with E being the minimum pass mark. Greece: Completion of two years towards the Apolityrion. The marking system is based on a numerical scale of 1-20, with 10 as the minimum pass mark.

**Guatemala:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a percentage scale, with 61% being the minimum pass mark.

**Haiti:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a scale of 1-10 (max), with 5 being the minimum pass mark.

**Honduras:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a percentage scale, (minimum of 61% needed to pass), or a numerical scale of 1-5 (minimum of 3 needed to pass).

**Hong Kong:**

Hong Kong Certificate of Education, 5 subjects passed at Grades A-E (or Grades 1-5 with older certificates -numerical grades vary, please consult legend on certificate).

**Hungary:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = 5 subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a scale of 1-5, with 2 as the minimum pass mark.

**I - J**

**India:**

Higher Secondary/School Certificate (Indian School Certificate) OR All India Snr School Certificate Standard XI (YEAR 11).

**Indonesia:**

SMU/SMA Leaving Certificate -Level II graded on a scale of 1-10 (maximum), with 5 as the minimum pass mark.

**Iran:** Completion of three years study towards the National High School Diploma (usually four years duration). Marked on a scale of 0-20, with 10 being the pass mark.

**Iraq:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Graded on a percentage scale with 50% as the minimum pass mark.

**Ireland:**

Completion of 5 subjects passed at Ordinary/Standard level in the Leaving Certificate.

**Israel:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Grading scale of 1-10 (maximum), with 5 as the minimum pass mark.

**Italy:**

Completion of four years study towards the Maturita (Matriculation) Certificate (usually five years duration). Marked on a scale of 0-60, with 36 being the minimum pass mark. School work is marked on a scale of 0-10 with 6 as the pass mark.

**Japan:**

Completion of two years study (Grade 11) towards the Kotagakko - (3 years duration). Grading is on a scale of A-E, with D being the minimum pass mark.

**Jordan:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Graded on a percentage scale, with 50% the minimum pass mark.

**K - L**

**Kenya:**

Completion of 3 years study towards the Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education (normally 4 years duration). Graded on a scale of AE.

**Kuwait:**

Completion of three years study towards Shahadat-al-thanawiya-al-a'ama (General Secondary School Certificate) - (4 years duration)

**Lebanon:**

Completion of two years study towards Baccalaureat Part II -(3 years duration)

**Libya:**

Completion of two years study towards the General Secondary Certificate -(3 years duration)

## M - N

### **Malaysia:**

Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) or Sijil Pelajaran Vokesyenal Malaysia (SPVM), with grades of A(1-2), C (3-6) and P (7-8) being pass marks.

### **Malta:**

Malta General Certificate of Education (O-levels)/Secondary Education Certificate: pass marks are 1 (maximum) -7, Un -Unclassified.

### **Mauritius:**

Cambridge Overseas School Certificate or GCE O levels with grades A-E or 1-8 in five ordinary level subjects.

### **Mexico:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Graded on a percentage scale, with 60% the minimum pass mark.

### **Nepal:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Graded on a percentage scale, with 50% the minimum pass mark.

### **The Netherlands:**

Completion of the Secondary School Leaving Certificate. Students must pass to obtain certificate OR obtain a HAVO Certificate.

### **New Zealand:**

Sixth Form Certificate. (Marking is on a scale of 1-9 with 1-7 being pass marks) OR University Entrance Certificate OR National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 2.

### **Nicaragua:**

Completion of four years study towards the Bachillerato en Ciencias y Letras. Marked on a scale of 1-10, with 6.5 as the minimum pass mark.

### **Nigeria:**

West African School Certificate/GCE O level. Grading on a scale of 1-9, 9 being a failure. OR After 1989 completion of Year 11 (Senior School Certificate)

### **Norway:**

Completion of two years study towards the Examen Artium (before 1981) OR Vitnemal fra den Videregaende Skole (Since 1982)

## P - R

### **Pakistan:**

Intermediate Certificate OR Higher Secondary School Certificate.

### **Papua New Guinea:**

Completion of 5 subjects passed at Grade 11 level.

### **Paraguay:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of

schooling. Marked on a scale of 1-5 (max) or 0-10 (max), with 2 and 3 being minimum pass marks.

**Peru:**

Certificado de Educacion Secundaria Comun Completa. Marked on a scale of 0-20, with 11 the minimum pass mark.

**Philippines:**

Year 11 = completion of one year's full-time study towards a tertiary degree from a recognised university.

**Poland:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Level reported by Pass/Fail.

**Portugal:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a scale of 0-20, 10 is the minimum pass mark.

**Romania:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a scale of 1-10, with 5 being the minimum pass mark.

**S - T**

**Saudi Arabia:**

2nd year study towards the Tawjihyah (General Secondary Education Certificate) -(3 years duration in Secondary School)

**Scotland:**

Scottish Certificate of Education (SCE): five subjects passed in the Standard Grade. Marking is on a seven-point scale (1 max to 7), 1 - being a pass.

**Sierra Leone:**

West African School Certificate or GCE O levels or Cambridge Overseas School Certificate. Graded 1 (max) to 9 (fail). Five subjects passed.

**Singapore:**

Singapore/Cambridge GCE O level with grades A-E or 1-8 in five subjects.

**Somalia:**

Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a percentage scale, 60 per cent being a pass.

**South Africa:**

Grade 11 or Standard 9 (Completed in Form IV of Secondary School)

**South Korea:**

Completion of Grade 11 (2nd year of Upper Secondary School)

**Soviet Union (Russia):**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marking is on a scale 1-5 (maximum) with 3 as the minimum pass mark.

**Spain:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of

schooling. Marked on a scale of 1-10, 5 being the minimum pass mark. Bachillerato Unificado y Polivalente (BUP)/Graduado en Educacion Secundaria.

**Sri Lanka:**

Sri Lankan General Certificate of Education (O-levels) in five subjects which must be passed at a grade of credit or distinction.

**Sudan:**

Completion of 2nd year studies towards the Sudan/Secondary School Certificate - (3 years duration)

**Sweden:**

Realexamen/Grundskola Certificate. Marked on a scale of 1-5 (maximum), there is no fail grade.

**Switzerland:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on various scales: 1-6(max) minimum pass 4; 1-10 (max), minimum pass 6; 6-1 (max), minimum pass 3.

**Syria:**

Completion of Grade 11 – 5 subjects passed (2nd year studies completed in Upper Secondary).

**Taiwan:**

Completion of studies in the 2nd year of Senior High School. Grade levels of A-C are considered passing grades.

**Tanzania:**

Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE)/National Form IV Examination OR Cambridge Overseas School Certificate (COSC) or East African Certificate of Education (EACE). CSE is graded A-F, with A-D being passing grades. COSC and EACE are marked 1 (max) to 9 (fail).

**Thailand:**

Mathayom Suksa 4 (MS4) -graded on a credit system, requiring 100 credits to pass OR Maw 5 (M5), graded on a unit system, requiring 75 units to Pass, or on a scale of 0-4, with 1 being the minimum pass mark.

**Turkey:**

Completion of the Lise Diplomasi, marking is on a scale of 1-10 maximum, with 5 as the minimum pass mark.

**U - Y**

**Uganda:**

Uganda Certificate of Education: Graded A-F, with A-D being passing grades, or 1 (maximum) -9 (fail).

**United Kingdom:**

General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE): five subjects passed at grades A-E OR (Before 1986) the General Certificate of Education (GCE) O levels, with passing grades being A-E.

**USA:**

Five subjects passed at Grade 11 level. Grading system of A-F is used, with A-D considered passes.

**Uruguay:**

Completion of two years' study towards the Bachillerato (3 years duration). Marked on a scale of 1-6 (maximum), with 3 as the minimum pass mark.

**Venezuela:**

Completion of two year's study towards the Bachillerato (2-3 years duration). Marked on a scale of 1-20 (maximum), with 10 as the minimum pass mark.

**Vietnam:**

Vietnamese Baccalaureat Part 1 or assessed on a year-by-year basis (Grade 11) with passes in five subjects. Where graded results are given, the lower grades may be equated to a lower year level.

**West Africa:**

West African School Certificate. Marked on a scale of A-F, with E being the minimum pass mark.

**Yugoslavia:**

Assessed on a year-by-year basis: Year 11 = five subjects passed after eleven years of schooling. Marked on a scale of 1-5 (maximum), with 2 as the minimum pass mark OR Completion of the third year of secondary school (normally four years duration).

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