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| Country                  | Secondary School Credential Required <sup>1</sup>          | Grade Standard | Grading Scale                   |
|--------------------------|--|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Argentina                | Bachillerato   | 6              | 0-10                            |
| Australia                | Year 12 Senior Certificate                                 | B              | A-E; Varies <sup>2</sup>        |
| Bangladesh               | Higher Secondary Certificate (Intermediate Certificate)    | 45;<br>Div. II | 0-100;<br>Div. I, II, III, P, F |
| Bolivia                  | Bachiller en Humanidades                                   | 5              | 1-7                             |
| Brazil                   | Certificado de Conclusao de Segundo Grau                   | 6              | 0-10                            |
| Bulgaria                 | Diploma of Completed Secondary Education (12 years)        | 4              | 2-6                             |
| Canada                   | Grade XII or XIII diploma                                  | 65             | 0-100; Varies <sup>3</sup>      |
| Cayman Islands           | Secondary School Certificate (CXC)                         | 3              | 1-5                             |
| Chile                    | Licencia de Educacion Media                                | 5              | 0-7                             |
| China (PRC) <sup>4</sup> | Senior Middle School Diploma                               | 80             | 0-100                           |
| Colombia                 | Bachiller  | 60             | 0-100                           |
| Costa Rica               | Bachillerato   | 80             | 0-100                           |
| Cyprus                   | Apolyterion or Lise Diplomas                               | 16             | 0-20                            |
| Czech Republic           | Certificate of Maturity Examination                        | 3              | 1-5                             |
| Denmark                  | Studentereksamen Bevis                                     | 9              | 0-13                            |
| Ecuador                  | Bachillerato   | 8              | 0-10                            |
| Egypt                    | General Secondary Education Certificate                    | 75             | 0-100                           |
| Ethiopia                 | Ethiopian School Leaving Certificate Examination           | 70             | 0-100                           |
| France                   | Baccalaureat   | 12             | 0-20                            |
| Germany                  | Abitur   | 2              | 1-6                             |
| Ghana                    | Senior Secondary Certificate Examination                   | C              | A-F                             |
| Greece                   | Apolyterion  | 6              | 0-10                            |
| Hong Kong                | Hong Kong Certificate of Education                         | 3              | 1-9                             |
| Iceland                  | Studentsprof   | 6              | 0-10                            |
| India <sup>4</sup>       | All-India or 12-year Secondary School Certificate          | 55;<br>Div. II | 0-100;<br>Div. I, II, III, F    |
| Indonesia                | SMA or Certificate of Completion of Upper Secondary School | 7              | 1-10                            |
| Iran                     | 12-year Secondary School Certificate                       | 15             | 0-20                            |
| Iraq                     | Baccalaureate for the Preparatory Schools                  | 70             | 0-100                           |
| Ireland                  | Leaving Certificate (12 years)                             | C              | A-F                             |
| Israel                   | Bagrut Examination   | 7              | 0-10                            |
| Italy                    | Diploma di Maturita  | 46             | 0-60                            |
| Jamaica                  | CXC  | III            | I-VI                            |
| Japan                    | Secondary School Diploma                                   | 4              | 1-5                             |
| Jordan                   | Tawjih   | 70             | 0-100                           |
| Kazakhstan               | Attestat   | 4              | 2-5                             |
| Kenya                    | Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education                   | C              | A-E                             |
| Korea                    | Senior High School Diploma                                 | B              | A-F                             |
| Kuwait                   | Secondary School Certificate                               | 80             | 0-100                           |
| Lebanon                  | Baccalaureat   | 12             | 1-20                            |
| Libya                    | General Secondary School Certificate                       | 65             | 0-100                           |
| Malaysia                 | Malaysian Certificate of Education (SPM)                   | 4              | 1-9                             |
| Mexico                   | Bachillerato   | 7              | 1-10 (6=Pass)                   |

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|----------------|---|----------------|------------------------------|
| Nepal          | Grade 12 School Leaving Certificate (Proficiency Certificate)               | 45             | 0-100                        |
| Netherlands    | VWO Diploma   | 7              | 0-10                         |
| New Zealand    | Sixth Form Certificate  | 5              | 1-9                          |
| Nigeria        | Senior School Certificate   | 6              | 1-9                          |
| Norway         | Vitnemal  | 4              | 0-6                          |
| Oman           | General Secondary Certificate (Thanawiya)                                   | 70             | 0-100                        |
| Pakistan       | Higher Secondary Certificate (Intermediate Certificate)                     | 55;<br>Div. II | 0-100;<br>Div. I, II, III, F |
| Peru           | Certificado de Educacion Superior en Secundaria Comun Completa or Bachiller | 12             | 0-20; Varies                 |
| Philippines    | High School Diploma   | B; 2.25        | A-F; 1-5                     |
| Poland         | Maturity Certificate  | 4              | 1-6                          |
| Qatar          | General Secondary Education Certificate                                     | 70             | 0-100                        |
| Romania        | Diploma de Bacalaureat (12 years) or Diploma de Maturitate                  | 7              | 1-10                         |
| Russian Fed.   | Attestat  | 4              | 2-5                          |
| Saudi Arabia   | Secondary School Certificate  | 80             | 0-100                        |
| Senegal        | Baccalaureat  | 12             | 0-20                         |
| Singapore      | 5 General Certificate of Education O-Level passes                           | 4              | 1-9                          |
| South Africa   | Senior Certificate  | 60             | 0-100                        |
| Spain          | Bachiller and Curso de Orientacion Universitaria (COU)                      | 6              | 1-10                         |
| Sri Lanka      | General Certificate of Education A-Levels                                   | 50             | 0-100                        |
| Sudan          | Higher Secondary School Certificate   | B; 50          | A-F; 0-100                   |
| Sweden         | Avgangsbetyg/Slutbetyg (12 years)   | 4              | 1-5                          |
| Switzerland    | Maturity Certificate  | 7              | 0-10                         |
| Taiwan (ROC)   | Senior High School Diploma  | 70             | 0-100                        |
| Thailand       | Higher Certificate of Education   | 70             | 0-100                        |
| Turkey         | State Lise Graduation Diploma   | 7              | 1-10                         |
| Ukraine        | Attestat  | 4              | 2-5                          |
| United Kingdom | 5 General Certificate of Secondary Education passes                         | C              | A-G                          |
| USSR           | Attestat  | 4              | 1-5                          |
| Venezuela      | Bachiller   | 13             | 1-20                         |
| Vietnam        | Bang Tot Nghiep Pho Thong   | 6              | 0-10                         |
| Yugoslavia     | Secondary School Leaving Certificate  | 7              | 0-10                         |

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| Argentina                | Licenciado  | 6               | 0-10                            |
| Australia                | 4-year Bachelor's, Honours Degree, or Postgraduate Diploma  | B               | A-E; Varies <sup>5</sup>        |
| Bangladesh               | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | 50;<br>Div. II  | 0-100;<br>Div. I, II, III, P, F |
| Bolivia                  | Licenciado  | 77              | 0-100                           |
| Brazil                   | Bacharelado, Licenciado, or Titulo  | B; 7            | A-F; 0-10                       |
| Bulgaria                 | Diploma of Completed Higher Education   | 4               | 2-6                             |
| Canada                   | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | 65              | 0-100; Varies <sup>3</sup>      |
| Cayman Islands           | A-levels plus Bachelor's Degree   | Div. II Honours | Div. I, II, P, F                |
| Chile                    | Licenciado  | 5               | 0-7                             |
| China (PRC) <sup>4</sup> | 4-year Bachelor's Degree  | 76              | 0-100; Varies <sup>5</sup>      |
| Colombia                 | Licenciado  | 3.5             | 0-5                             |
| Costa Rica               | Licenciado  | 80              | 0-100                           |
| Cyprus                   | Bachelor's Degree   | B               | A-F                             |
| Czech Republic           | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | 2               | 1-4                             |
| Denmark                  | 4-year Degree (Candidatus or Civilingenior)   | 7               | 0-13                            |
| Ecuador                  | Licenciado  | 32              | 0-40                            |
| Egypt                    | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | 70              | 0-100; Varies                   |
| Ethiopia                 | Bachelor's Degree   | B; 3; 80        | A-F; 0-4; 0-100                 |
| France                   | Maitrise  | 12              | 0-20                            |
| Germany                  | Vordiplom plus 2 semesters  | 2.5             | 1-6                             |
| Ghana                    | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | B               | A-F                             |
| Greece                   | Ptychion (4-year program)   | 6               | 1-10                            |
| Hong Kong                | Bachelor's Degree   | B               | A-F                             |
| Iceland                  | 3-4-year Bachelor's Degree  | 6               | 0-10                            |
| India <sup>4</sup>       | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years) or 3-year Bachelor's Degree plus 1 year of Master's Degree in the same field | 55;<br>Div. II  | 0-100;<br>Div. I, II, III, F    |
| Indonesia                | Sarjana (S1)  | 7               | 1-10; Varies <sup>5</sup>       |
| Iran                     | 4-year Licence/Karshenasi   | 15              | 0-20                            |
| Iraq                     | Bachelor's Degree   | 65              | 0-100                           |
| Ireland                  | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | 55              | 0-100                           |
| Israel                   | 4-year Bachelor's Degree  | 75              | 0-100; Varies <sup>5</sup>      |
| Italy                    | Laurea  | 24              | 0-30                            |
| Jamaica                  | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | B               | A-F                             |
| Japan                    | Bachelor's Degree   | B; 70           | A-F; 0-100                      |
| Jordan                   | Bachelor's Degree   | B; 70           | A-F; 0-100                      |
| Kazakhstan               | Diplom (4-5 year program)   | 4               | 2-5                             |
| Kenya                    | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | B               | A-F                             |
| Korea                    | Bachelor's Degree   | B               | A-F; Varies <sup>5</sup>        |
| Kuwait                   | Bachelor's Degree   | 5               | 0-9                             |
| Lebanon                  | 4-year Licence  | 12; 75          | 0-20; 0-100                     |
| Libya                    | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)  | 65              | 0-100                           |

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|----------------|--|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Malaysia       | Bachelor's Degree                                | B               | A-F                           |
| Mexico         | 4-year Licenciado or Titulo                      | 8               | 0-10 (7=Pass)                 |
| Nepal          | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)               | 50;<br>Div. II  | 0-100;<br>Div. I, II, III     |
| Netherlands    | HBO  | 7               | 0-10                          |
| New Zealand    | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)               | B               | A-F                           |
| Nigeria        | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)               | B               | A-F                           |
| Norway         | Candidatus or Sivilingenior                      | 2.4             | 0-6; Varies <sup>5</sup>      |
| Oman           | Bachelor's Degree                                | B; 80           | A-F; 0-100                    |
| Pakistan       | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)               | B; 55           | A-F; 0-100; Varies            |
| Peru           | Grado de Bachiller or Titulo de Licenciado       | 13              | 0-20; Varies                  |
| Philippines    | Bachelor's Degree                                | B; 2.25         | A-F; 1-5                      |
| Poland         | Dyplom (total 16 years)                          | 4               | 2-5                           |
| Qatar          | Bachelor's Degree                                | B; 4            | A-F; 0-5                      |
| Romania        | Diploma de Licenta                               | 7               | 0-10                          |
| Russian Fed.   | Diplom (4-5 year program)                        | 4               | 2-5                           |
| Saudi Arabia   | Bachelor's Degree                                | 80              | 0-100                         |
| Senegal        | Maitrise   | 12              | 0-20                          |
| Singapore      | 4-year Bachelor's or Honours Degree              | B               | A-E                           |
| South Africa   | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)               | 60;<br>Class II | 0-100;<br>Class I, II, III, F |
| Spain          | Licenciado or 4-year university degree           | 6               | 0-10                          |
| Sri Lanka      | Bachelor's Degree (Special)                      | B; 55           | A-F; 0-100                    |
| Sudan          | Bachelor's Degree (total 16 years)               | B; 50           | A-F; 0-100                    |
| Sweden         | Filosofie Kandidat or 4-year university degree   | 4               | 1-7                           |
| Switzerland    | Licence or Diplom                                | 4.5             | 0-6                           |
| Taiwan (ROC)   | Bachelor's Degree                                | 75              | 0-100                         |
| Thailand       | Bachelor's Degree                                | 70              | 0-100                         |
| Turkey         | Bachelor's Degree, Lisans or Muhendis            | 7               | 1-10                          |
| Ukraine        | Specialist Diploma                               | 4               | 2-5                           |
| United Kingdom | Bachelor's Degree                                | Div. II         | Div. I, II, III, P, F         |
| USSR           | 5-year Diplom                                    | 4               | 1-5                           |
| Venezuela      | Licenciado or 4-year university degree           | 13              | 1-20; Varies <sup>5</sup>     |
| Vietnam        | Diploma of Graduation from a University          | 6               | 0-10                          |
| Yugoslavia     | Diploma (total 16 years)                         | 7               | 1-10                          |

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