

France

Educational Timeline

- School year: September-June; Graduation occurs in June
- Primary School (*Ecole Primaire*) is five years followed by four years of Lower Secondary School (*Collège*) and three years of Upper Secondary School (*Lycée*). Students must sit for the *Baccalauréat* examination at the end of Upper Secondary School and receive a decision of “pass” from the jury to achieve a diploma.

Group A: Documents That Meet High School Graduation Requirement

Students presenting documents other than those listed below will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis

<i>Baccalauréat Général</i>	General High School Diploma
<i>Baccalauréat de l'Enseignement Secondaire</i>	Diploma of Secondary Education
<i>Diplôme de Bachelier de l'Enseignement du Second Degré</i>	Diploma of Secondary Education
<i>Certificat de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires</i>	Certificate of Completion of the End of Secondary Education
<i>Diplôme D'Accès aux Etudes Universitaires</i>	Diploma of Access to University Studies
<i>Diplôme de Baccalauréat Technologique</i>	Diploma of Technical Secondary Education
<i>Diplôme de Baccalauréat de Technicien</i>	Technical High School Diploma
<i>Brevet de Technicien</i>	Technician's Certificate
<i>Baccalauréat Professionnel</i>	Professional High School Diploma

-All documents must be accompanied by the corresponding *Relève de Notes* (transcript of grades) from the final examination

Group B: Documents That Do Not Meet High School Graduation Requirement

Comparable to less than completion of US high school

<i>Brevet des Collèges</i>	Certificate of Lower Secondary Education
<i>Brevet d'Etudes Fondamentales</i>	Certificate of Lower Secondary Education
<i>Certificat de Formation Général</i>	Certificate of General Instruction
<i>Certificate d'Aptitude Professionnelles</i>	Certificate of Professional Competence
<i>Brevet d'Etudes Professionnelles</i>	Certificate of Vocational Education

GPA Calculation

Calculate the cumulative high school GPA from the *Relève de Notes* by converting the *moyenne sur 20* (average out of 20) directly to its US equivalent and convert to quality points using the scale below. If there are two *moyennes* listed from both a *1er Groupe* (first group) and a *2è Groupe* (second group), convert the *moyenne sur 20* from the *2è Groupe* directly to its US equivalent and convert to quality points.

Grading Scale (May not be all inclusive):

Description	Translation	Numeric Grade	US Grade	Quality Points
Très Bien	Very Good	16.0 - 20.0	A+	4
Bien	Good	14.0 - 15.9	A	4
Assez Bien	Quite Good	12.0 - 13.9	B	3

Passable	Satisfactory	10.0 - 11.9	C	2	lowest passing grade
Ajourné	Failing	0 - 9.9	F	0	

Note: A grade of 8.0-9.9 is considered a conditional pass (US grade of D) if the overall average is 10.0 or higher

Class Ranking

Class rank is determined based on official overall rank (*rang*) at the time of graduation as it appears on the student's official academic records. If no such ranking appears on official transcripts, class rank is evaluated based on a letter written and submitted by the headmaster or principal of the institution from which the student graduated. The letter must confirm both the student's final position in the student's secondary school class and the total number of students in the graduating class (e.g. the student is 41st in a total graduating class of 112 students). However, students completing tracked or separate degree programs (e.g. *Baccalauréat Technologique*) must be ranked against all other students in a given class who completed the same degree program. Class ranking cannot be used to meet initial freshmen requirements for private exam candidates.

Students who are homeschooled or complete the *diplôme d'accès aux études universitaires (DAEU)* cannot use the class rank requirement to meet initial freshmen requirements. This may not be all inclusive of all French high school programs that cannot use class rank.

Post-Secondary Education

Students will be charged terms of attendance and considered transfer students if they have enrolled as a regular student and attended one or more courses at any of the types of institutions listed below (may not be all inclusive) or any other institution that requires proof of high school graduation as a pre-requisite for admission (subject to review on a case-by-case basis).

<i>Lycée</i> (post-secondary)	Post-secondary courses taken at a <i>Lycée</i> (Upper Secondary School)
<i>Ecole</i>	Post-secondary school
<i>Ecole Nationale</i>	Higher School
<i>Ecole Nationale Supérieure</i>	Higher National School
<i>Classes Préparatoires Aux Grandes Ecoles</i>	Preparatory classes for admission to <i>grandes écoles</i>
<i>Institut</i>	Institute
<i>Institut National</i>	National Institute
<i>Institut Supérieur</i>	Superior Institute
<i>Université</i>	University

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