

Guatemala

Educational Timeline

- School year: January to October; Graduation occurs in November or December
- Primary school (*Escuela Primaria*) is six years, followed by three years of Basic Secondary School (*Básicos*) with continuing options of either two years of *ciclo diversificado* or three years of technical secondary school

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>Bachillerato/Bachiller en Ciencias y Letras</i>	Baccalaureate in Sciences and Letters
<i>Perito en... or Secretaria en...</i>	Expert in... or Secretary in...
<i>Maestro en Educacion Preprimari/Primaria Urbana</i>	Pre Primary/Urban Primary Teacher

- All documents must be accompanied by academic records/transcripts of grades from two or three years of upper secondary education (*Ciclo diversificado*, technical secondary school, etc.)

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

Comparable to less than completion of US high school

<i>Diploma de estudios</i>	Diploma of Basic Secondary Studies
<i>Diploma ciclo de cultura general</i>	Diploma of Basic Secondary Studies

GPA Calculation

Calculate the cumulative high school GPA by converting line-by-line all grades listed on each of the last two years *Ciclo Diversificado* (under *Bachillerato en...*) transcript/academic record or all grades listed on each of the last three years of Technical School transcript/academic record. Convert to quality points. Divide quality points by the total number of courses attempted.

Grading Scale

Public Secondary School:

Description	Translation	Numeric Grade	US Grade	Quality Points
<i>Excelente</i>	Excellent	80-100	A	4
<i>Muy Bueno</i>	Very Good	70-79	B	3
<i>Bueno</i>	Good	60-69	C	2
<i>Minimo</i>	Minimum	51-59	D	1
<i>Reprobado</i>	Fail	0-50	F	0

Private Secondary School:

Description	Translation	Numeric Grade	US Grade	Quality Points
<i>Excelente</i>	Excellent	91-100	A	4
<i>Muy Bueno</i>	Very Good	81-90	B	3
<i>Bueno</i>	Good	71-80	C	2
<i>Minimo</i>	Minimum	61-70	D	1
<i>Reprobado</i>	Fail	0-60	F	0

Class Ranking

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 his/her 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. *Bachiller en Ciencias y Letras*) must be ranked against all other students in a given class who completed the same degree program.

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).

Universidad University

University Credentials Not Comparable to US Bachelor's Degrees (do not exhaust eligibility):

Tecnico En... Comparable to two to three and a half years of university study
Enfermera Graduada Comparable to three years of university study

University Credentials Comparable to US Bachelor's Degrees (exhaust eligibility):

Baccalaureus artrium/scienciae Comparable to US Bachelor's Degree
Profesor de Enseñanza Media Comparable to US Bachelor's Degree
Título de Licenciado en... Comparable to US Bachelor's Degree

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