

Costa Rica

Background

Academic Calendar	February-December
What is year nine called?	<i>Tercer Grado</i> , year 9, 9 ano
Where is year nine typically located?	Third/final Year of Basic Education, Lower Secondary School
Native Language(s)	Spanish
Graduation Timeline	
6 + 3 + 2 = 11	11 years total: six years primary, three years lower secondary and two years upper secondary

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. *Bachillerato/Bachiller* [Secondary School Diploma]

Expected Timeline of Completion	11 years (three years or six semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. *Diploma de Conclusión de Estudios de Educación Diversificada* [Diploma of Conclusion of Studies of Diversified Education]

Expected Timeline of Completion	11 years (three years or six semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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3. *Certificado de Conclusión de Estudios de Educación Media* en a specialized area [Secondary School Certificate in a specialized area]

Expected Timeline of Completion	11 years (three years or six semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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4. *Técnico en el Nivel Medio* [Mid-Level Technician]

Expected Timeline of Completion	11 years (three years or six semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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NOT ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION:

1. *Certificado de Conclusión de Estudios de Educación General Básica* [Certificate of Completion of General Basic Education Studies]

Expected Timeline of Completion	Nine years (one year or two semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. *Certificado de Conclusión de Estudios Básica por Suficiencia* [Certificate of Completion of Basic Studies by Competency]

Expected Timeline of Completion	Nine years (one year or two semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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GRADING SCALE

Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points	Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
9.0-10.0	A	4	6.5-6.9	D	1
8.0-8.9	B	3	0-6.4	F	0
7.0-7.9	C	2			

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

- » [Course Title Usage guide.](#)
» [Determination of Credit resource.](#)
» [International initial-eligibility flyer.](#)
» [Student account task information.](#)
- » [NCAA Guide of International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility.](#)
» [Country-specific webpages.](#)
» [Multi-country references.](#)

