

Ethiopia

Background

Academic Calendar	October-July
What is year nine called?	Year 9
Where is year nine typically located?	Final year of upper secondary school
Native Language(s)	Amharic, English
Graduation Timeline	
4 + 8 = 12	12 years total: four years primary and eight years upper secondary

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. Ethiopian University Entrance Examination Certificate

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. Ethiopian General Education Certificate Examination/Ethiopian Higher Education Entrance Examination

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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NOT ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. Ethiopian School Leaving Certificate

2. Ethiopian General Secondary Education Leaving Certificate

Expected Timeline of Completion	10 years (two years or four semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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GRADING SCALES

Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
90-100	A	4
80-89	B	3
60-79	C	2
50-59	D	1
0-49	F	0

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D	D	1
F	F	0

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- » Most schools within Ethiopia operate on the Ethiopian calendar instead of the common Gregorian calendar that is typical in the U.S. There are many online tools available to convert the calendar dates. This may be required to identify accurate school years for the student.

Example: Friday, October 4, 2009, (፳፻፱, 4, 2009) on the Ethiopian calendar is Friday, October 14, 2016, on the Gregorian calendar.

- » Often students present British-patterned educational documents from this country (IGCSEs, AS- or A-levels, etc.). For information on how to assess the eligibility of students presenting these documents, please see the [United Kingdom](#) country listing.

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.](#)

