

Republic of Korea (South Korea)

Background

Academic Calendar	March-February
What is year nine called?	Year 3
Where is year nine typically located?	Final year of lower secondary school
Native Language(s)	Korean, English
Graduation Timeline	
6 + 3 + 3 = 12	12 years total: six years primary, three years lower secondary and three years upper secondary

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. *Certificate of Graduation* from an upper secondary school

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. High School Graduation Qualification 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. *Certificate of Graduation* from a lower secondary school

Expected Timeline of Completion	Nine years (one year or two semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. *Certificate of Graduation* from a higher civil school

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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GRADING SCALES

Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
<i>Su</i>	A	4
<i>Wu/U</i>	A	4
<i>Mi</i>	B	3
<i>Yang</i>	C	2
<i>Ga/Ka</i>	D	1

5-Point Scale		
Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
5	A	4
4	A	4
3	B	3
2	C	2
1	D	1

100-Point Scale		
Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
90-100	A	4
80-89	A	4
70-79	B	3
60-69	C	2
0-59	D	1

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

» [Click here](#) for the welcome email students receive with additional information on documents to submit for this country.

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.](#)

