

Mali

Background

Academic Calendar	October-July
What is year nine called?	9eme, troisieme year, 3ème
Where is year nine typically located?	Final year of lower secondary school
Native Language(s)	French
Graduation Timeline	
6 + 3 + 3 = 12 or 6 + 3 + 4 = 13	12 or 13 years total: six years primary, three years lower secondary, and three or four years upper secondary

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. Baccalauréat Malien [Senior Secondary Education Baccalaureat]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Upper secondary school

2. Diplôme d'Infirmier d'Etat [State Nursing Diploma]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Upper secondary school

3. Diplôme de Technicien de Laboratoire [Lab Technician Diploma]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Upper secondary school

4. Diplôme de Sage-Femme d'Etat [State Midwife Diploma]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Upper secondary school

5. Diplôme des Etudes Normales Secondaires [Secondary Teacher Training School Diploma]

Expected Timeline of Completion	13 years (five years or 10 semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Upper secondary school

6. Brevet de Technicien (BT) [Technician Certificate]

Expected Timeline of Completion	13 years (five years or 10 semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Upper secondary school

NOT ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. *Diplôme d'Etudes Fondamentales* (DEF) [Diploma of Basic Studies]

Expected Timeline of Completion	Nine years (one year or two semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. *Certificat d'Aptitude Professionnelle* (CAP) [Certificate of Professional Ability]

Expected Timeline of Completion	11 years (three years or six semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Centres de Formation Professionnelle

CREDITING POLICIES

If course credits are indicated on the transcript, the following units provided on the document will be awarded credit as follows:

Units of Credit	U.S. Equivalent Credit Per Year
4+	1.00
3	0.75

Units of Credit	U.S. Equivalent Credit Per Year
2	0.50
1	0.25

GRADING SCALES

Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
16-20	A	4
14-15.99	A	4
12-13.99	B	3

Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
10-11.99	C	2
8-9.99*	D	1
0.00-9.99	F	0

***Note:** Conceded Pass—Grades 8 to 9.9 are considered passing (equivalent to U.S. grade “D”) only when the overall average grade for the academic year is 10.0 or higher.

Grade	Translation	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
<i>Très Bien</i>	Very Good	A	4
<i>Bien</i>	Good	A	4
<i>Assez Bien</i>	Quite Good	B	3
<i>Passable</i>	Satisfactory	C	2
<i>Ajourné</i>	Fail	F	0

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

» The academic school years for years nine through 12 are referred to as the following. (Always reference native language transcripts to establish the initial start of year nine.)

Native Language	School Year
<i>Troisième (3ème) or 9ème</i>	09
<i>Deuxième/Seconde (2ème/2nde)</i>	10

Native Language	School Year
<i>Première (1er/1ère)</i>	11
<i>Terminale (Ter)</i>	12



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.](#)

