New Caledonia

Background		
Academic Calendar	September-June	
What is year nine called?	Troisieme année, 3ème	
Where is year nine typically located?	Final year of lower secondary school	
Native Language(s) French, Indigenous languages		
Graduation Timeline		
5 + 4 + 3 = 12 or 5 + 4 + 4 = 13	12 or 13 years total: five years primary, four years lower secondary and three or four years upper secondary	

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. Diplome de Bachelier de l'Enseignement du Second Degre [Diploma of Bachelor of Secondary Education]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Recteur d'académie by delegation from the Ministry of Education

2. Diplome de Baccalaureat de l'Enseignement Secondaire [Diploma of Baccalaureate of Secondary Education]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Recteur d'académie by delegation from the Ministry of Education

3. Diplome de Baccalaureat General [Diploma of General Baccalaureate]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Recteur d'académie by delegation from the Ministry of Education

4. Diplome de Baccalaureat de Technicien/Diplome de Baccalaureat Technologique [Diploma of Technical Baccalaureate]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Recteur d'académie by delegation from the Ministry of Education

5. Diplome de Baccalaureat Professionnel [Diploma of Professional Baccalaureate]

Expected Timeline of Completion	13 years (five years or ten semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Recteur d'académie by delegation from the Ministry of Education

6. Brevet de Technicien [Technician's Certificate]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Recteur d'académie by delegation from the Ministry of Education



7. Certificat de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires [Certificate of Completion of Secondary Studies]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Recteur d'académie by delegation from the Ministry of Education

NOT ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Brevet des Colleges [Certificate of Lower Secondary Education]

Expected Timeline of Completion	Nine years (one year or two semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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- 2. Certificat de Formation Generale (CFG) [Certificate of General Instruction]
- 3. Certificat d'Aptitude Professionnelle (CAP) [Certificate of Professional Competence]
- 4. Brevet de d'Etudes Professionnelle [Certificate of Professional Studies]

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	В	3
10-11.999	С	2
8-9.9*	D	1
0.00-7.99	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
Très Bien	Very Good	Α	4
Bien	Good	Α	4
Assez Bien	Quite Good	В	3
Passable	Satisfactory	С	2



IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- » New Caledonia is a territory of France. Therefore, the educational system is the responsibility of the Ministry of Education and Research of France.
- » 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
Troisieme (3ème)	9
Deuxieme/Seconde (2ème/2nde)	10

Native Language	School Year	
Premiere (1er/1ere)	11	
Terminale (Ter)	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.