



ELIGIBILITY CENTER

SPAIN

BACKGROUND	
Academic Calendar	September-June
What is year nine called?	Educacion Secundaria Obligatoria (ESO) 3, 3 (ESO), Tercer Curso
Where is year nine typically located?	Third year of lower secondary school
Native Language(s)	Spanish, Catalan
GRADUATION TIMELINE	
6 + 4 + 2 = 12	12 years total: six years primary, four years lower secondary, two years upper secondary

Acceptable Forms of Proof of High School Graduation:

1. *Bachillerato/Bachiller Unificado y Polivalente (BUP)*
[Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate]

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

2. *Curso de Universitaria (COU)* [University Orientation Course]

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

3. *Titulo de Tecnico Especialista* [Title/Diploma of Specialized Technician]

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

4. *Perito Mercantil* [Commercial Secondary School Graduate]

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

5. *Titulo de Maestro* [Title/Diploma of Teacher]

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

NOT Acceptable Forms of Proof of High School Graduation

1. *Titulo de Graduado en Education Secundaria*

[Title/Diploma of Graduate in Secondary Education]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. *Bachillerato de Grado Superior* [Secondary School Diploma: 10th grade]

Expected Timeline of Completion	10 years (two years or four semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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3. *Titulo de Tecnico Superior* [Title/Diploma of Secondary School Technician]

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

This credential will still be honored as acceptable proof of graduation if a student enrolled in the two-year program on, or prior to, May 31, 2027.

Crediting Policies:

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

BACHILLERATO UNITS OF CREDIT	U.S. EQUIVALENT CREDIT PER YEAR	BACHILLERATO UNITS OF CREDIT	U.S. EQUIVALENT CREDIT PER YEAR
8 or more	1.0	4	0.34
6	0.5	2	0.25

Grading Scales

When both numeric and descriptive grades are present for a course, and the numeric grade matches the grading scale below, use the numeric grade.

NUMERIC GRADE	U.S. GRADE EQUIVALENT	QUALITY POINTS
8.5-10	A	4
7.0-8.4	B	3
6.0-6.9	B	3
5.0-5.9	C	2
0-4.9	F	0

GRADE	TRANSLATION	U.S. GRADE EQUIVALENT	QUALITY POINTS
Sobresaliente	Outstanding	A	4
Notable	Notable	B	3
Bien	Good	B	3
Suficiente	Sufficient	C	2

Insuficiente	Insufficient	F	0
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GRADE	TRANSLATION	U.S. GRADE EQUIVALENT	QUALITY POINTS
Assoliment Excellent (AE)	Excellent Achievement	A	4
Assoliment Notable (AN)	Notable Achievement	B	3
Assoliment Satisfactori	Satisfactory Achievement	C	2
No Assoliment (NA)	No Achievement	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 initial enrollment of year nine.)

NATIVE LANGUAGE	SCHOOL YEAR
ESO 3	09
ESO 4	10

NATIVE LANGUAGE	SCHOOL YEAR
Bachillerato 1	11
Bachillerato 2	12

- » Final grades for years nine through 12 will be listed under “ordinary” or “extraordinary” columns. Extraordinary would be considered a retake of the ordinary grade and would be treated as duplicative.
- » The following are less commonly known course titles **approved** for use in an academic certification:

ENGLISH/NATIVE LANGUAGE	MATH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL COURSES
	Mathematics Applied to Social Sciences	Scientific Culture	Philosophy and Citizenship	
	Mathematics for Academic Teaching			

- » The following course titles have been reviewed and **not approved** for use in an academic certification:
 - Business Economics.
 - Research Project.
 - Teaching English.

Reference Documents

- » [Course Title Usage guide.](#)
- » [Determination of Credit resource.](#)
- » [International initial-eligibility flyer.](#)
- » [Information on tasks assigned to student-athlete accounts.](#)
- » [NCAA Guide of International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility PDF](#)
- » [Country-specific webpages.](#)
- » [Multi-country references.](#)