

The Gambia

Background

Academic Calendar	September/October-July
What is year nine called?	Form III, form 3
Where is year nine typically located?	Final year of lower secondary school
Native Language(s)	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

- West African Examinations Council Senior Secondary School Leaving Certificate (SSSLC) [The Gambia]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	West African Examinations Council
First Available Date of Issue (Typical)	June/July

NOT ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

- Individual Subject Passes from Upper Secondary School

GRADING SCALES

Numeric Grade	Translation	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
1	Excellent	A	4
2	Very good	A	4
3	Good	B	3
4	Credit	B	3
5	Credit	C	2
6	Credit	C	2
7, 8	Pass	D	1
9	Fail	F	0

Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
A1	A	4
B2	A	4
B3	B	3
C4	B	3
C5	C	2

Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
C6	C	2
D7	D	1
E8	D	1
F9	F (Failure)	0

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.](#)

