

Zambia

Background

Academic Calendar	January-December
What is year nine called?	Year nine
Where is year nine typically located?	Final year of lower secondary school
Native Language(s)	English
Graduation Timeline	
7 + 2 + 3 = 12	12 years total: seven years primary, two years lower secondary, three years upper secondary

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. General Certificate of Education (GCE) [ECZ School Certificate Examination]

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Examinations Council of Zambia

NOT ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. Junior Secondary School Certificate

Expected Timeline of Completion	Nine years (one year or two semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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GRADING SCALE

Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
1-2	A	4
3-4	B	3
5-6	C	2

Numeric Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
7-8	D	1
9	F	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.](#)