

University of Cambridge – Graduate Admissions Office – Advice on Qualification Equivalencies – 2014-2015

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Please note that this table lists the University’s minimum requirements. Departments and Degree Committees differ in how they regard qualifications, and may therefore require a higher grade or qualification than that specified below. This may be particularly true of qualifications from Bologna signatory countries – please see Appendix C for more details.

An academic case will be considered with relevant supporting information for applicants who do not meet these guidelines.

Comments and views from colleagues on this document are very welcome. Please contact Catharine Butler at the Graduate Admissions Office if you wish to comment on or add to any advice – Catharine.Butler@admin.cam.ac.uk. When requesting more information about a specific case, it is helpful if you can send copies of the applicant’s academic transcripts where possible.

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COUNTRY	QUALIFICATION REQUIRED	2:1 EQUIVALENT	FIRST EQUIVALENT	COMMENTS
Albania*	Kandidat I Shkencave, the Master I nivelit te pare or the Master I nivelit te dyte (Master) (pre-2007)	8/10		Note: University Diploma (post 2007) = Dip HE, not sufficient.
	Diploma e nivelit te pare (First Level Diploma) (post-2007)	9/10		
Algeria	Magister	Pass		
Argentina	Título/Grado de Licenciado/a, Título de [subject area] (at least four years)	8/10 from Universidad de Buenos Aires 9/10 from other recognised institution	9.1 or above (Distinguido to Sobresaliente)	Recognised Universities: Universidad de Buenos Aires Universidad Nacional de Cordoba Universidad Nacional de Rosario Universidad Technologica Nacional Universidad Nacional de Mar del Plata Top Private University: Pontificia Universidad Catolica Argentina (Santa Maria)
Armenia*	Master’s Degree (Diplom Magistrosi) (pre-2004)	GPA 3.5/4, 80%, 4 out of 5 or Good		Note: Aspirantura (Candidate of Sciences) is equivalent to a UK PhD

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	Bachelor's Degree (Diplom Bakalavri) (post-2005)	GPA 3.5/4, 80%, 4 out of 5 or Good		
Australia	Bachelor's (Hons) degree (four years)	Distinction (70% or 75% depending on grading system), Second Class Division A/Second Class Division 1	High Distinction(80% or 85% depending on grading system), First Class	Note: The degree must be awarded on the basis of independent research and completion of a thesis. Grading schemes at Australian Universities may vary. Departments are advised to check the grading scheme information provided on the transcript to ascertain whether 70% or 75% is equal to a Distinction and whether 80% or 85% is equal to a High Distinction.
Austria*	Diplomstudium or Magister Bachelor's (Bologna)	1.9 1.9	1.3 1.3	1.0 is highest mark. Distinction may be awarded for average better than 1.5
Azerbaijan*	Specialist Diploma (post-1991) Baklavr (post-2004) Magister (pre-2004)	4/5 or 9/10 or 90% 4/5 or 9/10 or 90% 4/5 or 9/10 or 90%	5/5 or 10/10 or 100% 5/5 or 10/10 or 100% 5/5 or 10/10 or 100%	
Bahamas	Bachelor's Degree from the University of the West Indies	First Class Honours or GPA 3.6/4		
Bahrain	Bachelor's (at least four years) (post-2005) from a recognised institution	GPA 4/4, A, or 90%		Recognised institutions include: University of Bahrain and Arabian Gulf University

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				Note: Arabian Gulf University does not appear on Naric's list because although accredited by the Ministry of Education, they have not registered with the Higher Education Council.
Bangladesh	Master's when following a 3 or 4 year Bachelor Degree from a recognised public University Master's Degree from BUET	1 st class, 75%, GPA 3.75/4 or Grade A Pass		See Appendix A for a list of public Universities. There isn't enough information to sensibly rank Universities, but care is needed with other Universities as standards are very variable.
Barbados	Bachelor's Degree from The University of West Indies, Cave Hill	First Class Honours or GPA 3.6/4		
Belarus	Master's Degree or Specialist Diploma (post-1991)	4/5, Good or 9/10		Note: Belarus has been barred from the Bologna process and the EHEA for at least another three years (from April 2012)
Belgium*	Ingenieur/Licence/Licenciaat/Maitrise Bachelor's (post-2004)	75% or <i>met onderscheiding / avec distinction</i> 75% or <i>met onderscheiding / avec distinction</i>	80% or <i>met grote onderscheiding / avec grande distinction</i> 80% or <i>met grote onderscheiding / avec grande distinction</i>	
Bolivia	Licenciado, Título de [subject area] (at least 5 years) from a prestigious institution	77% or Distinguido	83% +	Prestigious Universities: Universidad Mayor de San Andres Universidad Catolica Boliviana

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Bosnia-Herzegovina*	Diplomirani (Bachelors) completed at a Public University	4/5 or 9/10	5/5 or 10/10	See Appendix A for a list of Public Universities. Visoko Obrazovanja (second-level degree obtained on completion of a four to six-year course) may be considered with 5 out of 5.
Brazil	Título de Bacharel / Título de [subject area]/ Título de Licenciado/a (when awarded after a minimum of four years)	8/10		
Bulgaria*	Master's (pre 2001) Bachelor's (post 2001)	Grade 5/6 Grades 5/6	Grade 6/6 Grade 6/6	
Burma (Myanmar)	Postgraduate Master's Degree	Minimum overall grade of 75%, Excellent/Very Good, First Class or a numeric score of 5.		
Canada	Bachelor degree (Honours) or four year Bachelor's without honours Bachelor's (3 years, without Honours) from Quebec	3./ 4, 3.6/4.3, 7.3 out of 9, B+, 77% (where pass is 50%), 78% (where pass is 60%)	3.7/4, 4/4.3, 8, 83%, A	
Chile	Grado de Licenciado / Título (Profesional) de [subject area] (at least four years)	5.5/7 (bueno) or 78%	6.5/7 (muy bueno)	
China	Bachelor's from a recognised institution Master's from any other institution	85% from prestigious institutions 90% from good institutions	90% from prestigious institutions 95% from good institutions	See appendix A for list of prestigious or good institutions. Note: These are our minimum entry requirements. Many Departments set higher entry

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				requirements. Please check department minimum before making offer.
Colombia	Licenciatura or Título Profesional (4 years)	4.3/5	4.6/5	
Congo (Democratic Republic of)	Diplôme d'Études Approfondies, Diplôme d'Etudes supérieures or Diplôme d'Études Spéciales from Université de Kinshasa	90% or La Plus Grande Distinction, or 18/20		Although these qualifications are equivalent to a Bachelor's Degree Ordinary – they normally take 7 years to complete.
Congo (Republic of)	Maîtrise or Diplôme des Études Supérieures	18/20		
Costa Rica	Licenciado (4 years) from a public higher education institution.	8.5/10		Public Institutions: Instituto Tecnológico de Costa Rica Universidad de Costa Rica Universidad Estatal a Distancia - UNED Universidad Nacional Universidad Tecnológica de Costa Rica When awarded by a private higher education institution, the programme must be approved by the Consejo Nacional de Enseñanza Superior Universitaria Privada (CONSESUP). For more information, please contact Catharine.butler@admin.cam.ac.uk
Croatia*	Magistar (Master's Degree) (pre-2005) Baccalaureus/Baccalaurea (Bachelor Degree) (post-2005)	4/5, vrlo dobar (very good) 4/5, vrlo dobar (very		Visoko Obrazovanje/Level VII/1(Second level degree obtained on completion of 4-6 year course, pre-2005) may be considered with

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		good)		5 out of 5 Magistar post 2005 = UK Master.
Cyprus*	Bachelor's/Ptychion from a Public University	8/10	8.5/10	Recognised institutions: University of Cyprus Cyprus University of Technology Open University of Cyprus Degrees from some private institutions accredited by the Ministry of Education and Culture can be accepted but programme must be approved by Evaluation Committee of Private Universities (ECPU). Where these Universities use a GPA grading scheme, we would be looking for a GPA of 3.9/4. Contact Catharine.Butler@admin.cam.ac.uk for more information.
Czech Republic*	Magistr (Master's) (formerly Absolvent Vysoké Skoly) or Inženýr (Engineer) (when studied before 2002) Bakalář (post-2001)	velmi dobre (good) or 1.5 velmi dobre (good) or 1.5	vyborne (excellent) or 1 vyborne (excellent) or 1	
Denmark*	Candidatus Philosophiae Bachelor's (3 years) from Copenhagen or Arhus Bachelor's (3 years)	9/13 9/12 or 11/13 10/12 or 11/13	11/13 12/12 12/12	

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Dominican Republic	Maestría	87%		
Ecuador	Título de Magíster (awarded upon completion of a Maestría course) from a recognised institution	Pass		
Egypt	Majister (Masters) Bachelor's from Mansoura University or Assiut University Bachelor's from American University of Cairo	Pass 85% in science subject 90% in non-science subject GPA 3.5/4		For information on Bachelor's degrees from institutions other than the ones mentioned, please contact Catharine.Butler@admin.cam.ac.uk
El Salvador	Maestria from a recognised institution	8/10	10/10	Please see Appendix A for a list of recognised institutions.
Estonia*	Bakalaurusekraad (Bachelor degree) (post-2002) Magistrikraad (Master's Degree) (pre-2002)	5/5 or excellent 5/5 or excellent		
Ethiopia	Master's from a public University	3.6/4		Please see Appendix A for a list of public Universities. Master's degrees from private universities should be approved by the Higher Education Relevance and Quality Agency (HERQA). Please contact Catharine.Butler@admin.cam.ac.uk for more information.
Fiji	Master's the University of the South Pacific	Pass		The following Universities can be accepted provided the programme of study has been recognised by the Fiji Higher Education

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				Commission: The University of Fiji Fiji National University Please contact Catharine.Butler@admin.cam.ac.uk for more information.
Finland*	Maisteri/Magister or Licensiaatti/Licenciat in Science Subject	Pass		
	Licensiaatti/Licenciat in (Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine)	2.5/3 or 3-3.5/5	3/3 or 5/5	
	Kandidaatti/Kandidat (post-2005)	2.5/3 or 3-3.5/5	3/3 or 5/5	
France*	Licence or Diplome from a Grandes Ecoles (post-2008)	13/20 or GPA 3.7/4	14.5/20 or GPA 3.9/4	M1 is the first year of a Master's Degree and is not equivalent to a UK Master's Degree. Some (but not all) institutions will issue a Maîtrise on completion of the M1 which is roughly equivalent of a PgDip. The Master's which is awarded after the M2.
	Licence from elsewhere (post-2008)	14/20	16/20	
	Year 4 (2 nd year of Grandes Ecoles study) of Diplome from a Grandes Ecoles (pre-2002)	13/20	14.5/20	
	Maitrise (pre-2009)	14/20	16/20	
Georgia*	Bachelor's (<i>Bakalavris Khariskhi</i>) (4 years)	5/5		
Germany*	Magister Artium/Diplom/Erstes Staatsexamen (First State Examination)	1.9	1.3	Note: 1 is highest mark.
	Bachelor's (post-2002)	1.9	1.3	Applicants with a Vordiplom may be considered provided that they have reached at least 180 ECTS credits (either during or after the vordiplom) with a 1.3 in the

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				Vordiplom and 1.7 in any subsequent study.
Ghana	Bachelor's degree (4 years) from a recognised institution	First Class (70%), GPA 3.75/4		Recognised Institutions: University of Ghan Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology University of Cape Coastal University for Development Studies University of Education, Winneba.
Greece*	Ptychion awarded by an AEI	8/10	8.5/10	AEI or Anotera Ekpedeftika Idrimata = University level higher education institutions. This encompasses all Universities, Polytechneia (Technical Universities) and the 'Anotati Scholi Kalon Technon' (Academies of Fine Arts).
Guatemala	Maestria from Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala (USAC)	85%	90%	
Honduras	Licenciado/ Título de [subject] from a public University	90% or 4/5		Public Institutions: Escuela Nacional de Ciencias Forestales - ESNACIFOR Instituto Superior de Educación Policial - ISEP Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras - UNAH Universidad Nacional de Agricultura - UNA

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				Universidad Pedagógica Nacional Francisco Morazán – UPNFM
Hong Kong	Bachelor's degree (honours) from a recognised institution	2:1 or GPA 3.5/4	1 st or GPA 3.7/4	See Appendix A for list of recognised institutions.
Hungary*	Egytemi Oklevel (University Diploma)	4/5	5/5	
	Alapfokozat (Bachelor's)	4/5	5/5	
Iceland*	Baccalaureatus (Bachelor Degree)	8/10		
Ireland (EIRE)	Bachelor's degree (honours)	2:1	1 st	
India	<p>Master's degree</p> <p>Bachelor of Engineering/Technology when awarded from an Indian Institute of Technology (ITT) or the Indian Institute of Science in Bangalore, or an institution in Appendix A (where BEng or BTech is a four year course).</p> <p>Bachelor's (4 years) from a Top University (THE/QS Rankings (2008))</p>	<p>85% - 90%</p> <p>85% - 90%</p>		<p>See Appendix A for a list of recognised institutions.</p> <p>Note: Candidates from other universities will require an academic case for admission.</p> <p>For some Arts, Humanities and Social Science Bachelor's courses, 85% may be a very high entry requirement. Applicants with 65%, 5.5/7, 6.5/8, 7.5/9, 8.5/10 can be considered on a case by case basis on the strength of other supporting documents and the application as a whole.</p>
Indonesia	<p>Sarjana 1 (S1) accredited with A (Bachelor)</p> <p>Magister</p>	<p>4/4, Excellent, A or GPA 3.7</p> <p>B+ or GPA 3.5/4</p>		

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Iran	Licence or Karshensai (Bachelor) (4 years)	Grade A, 17/20 or 4		Note: Professional Doctorate is comparable to UK Bachelor's (hons)
	Professional Doctorate	Grade A, 17/20 or 4		
Iraq	Master's degree awarded by a Public University or Technical College	85%		See Appendix A for a list of public Universities and Technical Colleges
	Bachelor of Medicine or Engineering (ONLY pre-1991)	85%		
Israel	Bachelor's degree	A, Very Good or 85%	90%	
Italy*	Diploma di Laurea	108/110.	110/110	
Jamaica	Bachelor's Degree from University of Technology of the University of the West Indies	First class or GPA 3.6/4.		
Japan	Bachelor's (Gakushi) from a prestigious institutions	80, A, Excellent	90, S or Outstanding	See Appendix A for prestigious institutions. Bachelor's Degree should be at least four years.
	Bachelor's from any other institution (Gakushi)	90, S, A or Outstanding		
	Master's (Shushi)			
Jordan	Bachelor's degree (4 years) from the University of Jordan	84%, Grade A, or GPA of 3.7/4		Recognised (top 5) Universities: University of Jordan University of Al Yarmouk Jordan University of Science and Technology The Hasemite University Philadelphia University
	Bachelor's degree (4 years) from a recognised institution	84%, Grade A or GPA 3.7/4		
Kazakhstan	Specialist Diploma (five years) (post-2007)	4.3/5		Master's = UK Master's
	Bachelor Degree (Bakalavr) (four year)	5/5		

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	Magister (Master's) (5 years) (post-1991)			
Kenya	Bachelor's (4 years) from a public university	First Class, A, Excellent 70%		Public institutions are: Egerton University, Njoro Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Nairobi Kenyatta University, Nairobi Maseno University College Moi University, Eldoret University of Nairobi, Nairobi.
Korea (South)	Bachelor's from prestigious institutions (four year) Masters from all other institutions	85%, B+, GPA 3.5/4 or GPA 3.8/4.3 Pass		See Appendix A for prestigious institutions Note: Where the transcript shows grades as GPA out of 4 or 4.3, but also gives a GPA on a 100 point scale, the minimum requirement should be met by the GPA out of 4 or 4.3 and NOT the 100 point GPA (EWHA follow this system).
Kuwait	Master's degree from the University of Kuwait when awarded as advanced specialisation on the basis of a bachelor degree (i.e. in the same subject).	Pass		
Kyrgyzstan	Master's Degree or Specialist Diploma (post 1991)	4.5/5		Some Universities have moved toward a US-style four-point grading system.
Latvia*	Magistr (Master) (pre-2000)	8, B, Very Good		

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	Bakalauris (Bachelor) (post-2002)	9		
Lebanon	Maitrise (4 years) - in non-scientific or non-technical discipline (ARTS) and awarded as a Postgraduate qualification.	16/20, 85%, Grade B	17/20	Note: Maitrise in sciences comparable to DipHE, but can be given advanced standing on case by case basis.
	Bachelors from American University in Beirut	80, B, Good, GPA 3.5	90%, A, Excellent, GPA 3.7	
Liberia	Master's Degree	85% or B+ or 3.5/4		Note: Bachelor degree is considered comparable to DipHE standard.
Liechtenstein*	Magister Philosophiae or Bachelor Degree	5.5/6 or Very Good		
Lithuania*	Magistras (pre-2000)	8/10, 75% or B		
	Bakalauras (post2000)	9/10, 84% or B	A, 10/10 or 92%	
Luxembourg	Bachelor (started post 2003)	16/20	18/20	Under the old grading system, requirement would be 50-60 tres bien or very good. Please note: Uni of Luxembourg doesn't appear to use the old system.
Macedonia*	Baccalaureus (from 2000)	9	10	
	Magister (prior to 2000)	9	10	
Malawi	Master's from Mzuzu University or University of Malawi	80%, 8/10	90%, 9/10	
Malaysia	Bachelor's degree from a public university or a government-accredited course at a private university	2:1, B+, GPA 3.5/4	First	See Appendix A for a list of public Universities. Degree programmes from private

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				higher education providers must be accredited by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency and registered within the Malaysian Qualifications Register. For more information contact the GAO.
Malta*	Bachelor's degree (hons)	2:1, 2A, 70%	First	
Mauritius	Bachelor's (four years) from a recognised University	Upper Second	First	See Appendix A for a list of recognised Universities.
Mexico	Licenciado (4 years) from a prestigious university Grado Académico de Maestría / Grado de Maestro from all other Universities	9/10		See Appendix A for prestigious universities
Moldova	Diplomă de Licență (Bachelor degree) from a recognised University	9/10		Recognised Universities: State University of Moldova Technical University of Moldova
Mongolia	Master's from National University of Mongolia	A or GPA 4/4		
Morocco	Diplome d'Etudes Superieures Spécialisées Diplome d'Ingenieur d'Etat Licence/Licence d'Etudes Fondamentales/Licence Professionnelle PLUS MASTERS	16/20 16/20 and Pass in Master	17/20 17/20 and Pass in Master	Note: Diplome d'Etudes Superieures is equivalent to UK Masters but holders not normally entitled to enter doctoral studies. Note: The French system is used in Morocco. Master = UK Master Maitrise is not!
Nepal	Master's Degree from recognised University-level	80%, Distinction, A-, or		Master's Degree following a four

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	institution (when following a 3 year Bachelor's Degree)	GPA3.7/4		year Bachelor's is equivalent to a UK Master's. Recognised Universities: Kathmandu University (GPA) Lumbini Buddha University Mahendra Sanskrit University Pokhara University (GPA) Purbanchal University (percentage) Tribhuvan University (percentage)
Netherlands*	Doctoraal (pre-2002) Bachelor's (post-2002)	7.5 (Ruim voldoende) 7.5 or GPA 3.5/4	8.0 (Goed) 8, or A+, GPA 3.8/4.	
New Zealand	Bachelor's (hons) degree (4 years)	2:1	First	An A-F grading scheme is used for three-year Bachelor's Degrees, but the honours year should be classified.
Nigeria	Bachelor's Degree	High 1st class (80%+), GPA 5.0, A or A+.		
Norway*	Candidatus Magisterii Bachelorgrad (Bachelor) (post-2003)	B, Very Good, 1.6 to 2.5 (Laudabilis)B, Very Good	A, First class=1.0 to 1.5 (Laud pre ceteris – maximum) A, Excellent	Current grading system is A-F. Old grading system was 1-4 until 2002.
Oman	Master from Sultan Qaboos University	Pass		
Pakistan	Master's degree after four year Bachelor's Two year Master's in professional field after four	 GPA 3.6/4		See Appendix A for a list of top Universities in Pakistan.

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	year Bachelor's Bachelor's from Lahore University of Management Sciences	GPA 3.9/4		NOTE Master following two or three year Bachelor = Bachelor Ordinary.
Peru	Licenciado/Professional title (4 years)	15/20		
Philippines	Master's degree from a Centre of Excellence/Prestigious State University	87%, Very Good, B+, GPA of 1.75, GPA of 3.5/4	First Class, 94%, Very Good or GPA of 1.25.	Centre of Excellence/Prestigious State University: University of the Philippines The Asian Institute of Management University of Santo Tomas Ateneo de Manila University De La Salle University
Poland*	Magister (pre-2006) Bachelor's (post-2006)	A, 5 or Very Good A, 5 or Very Good	6 or Excellent 6 or Excellent	
Portugal*	Licenciado/Licenciatura (4-5 years) Licenciado (3 years, Bologna)	Bom com distinção (good with distinction)– 16-17/20 18/20	Muito bom com distinção – 18/20 19-20/20	
Qatar	Master's degree from Qatar University (where Master's is advanced specialism of Bachelor's)	Pass		
Romania*	Postgraduate Diploma or Diploma de Master (pre-2005) Diplomă de Licență / Diplomă Inginer / Diplomă de Arhitect (post-2005)	9/10 9/10	10/10 10/10	Note: Diploma de Studii Aprofundate (pre-2005) can be considered with grades of 9/10.
Russian Federation*	Magistr (preferred route)			Note: According to the British Council in Russia all HEIs in Russia

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	Specialist Diploma (completed post-1991) Bachelor's from Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology and other prestigious institutions Bologna Bachelor's from other institutions	Excellent, 5/5 4/5 Excellent, 5/5		have now switched to 2-tier Bologna arrangements Please see Appendix A for a list of the top ten prestigious institutions
Rwanda	Bachelor's (Honours) Degree from the National University of Rwanda	16/20, 70% or 1 st class		
Saudi Arabia	Master's (awarded post-2004) Bachelor's (4 years) from prestigious institutions where the course incorporates a research component. Please contact the International Office for more information on these institutions.	Pass Very Good or GPA of 3.9 out of 4, 4.5 out of 5, or B+.	Excellent and 4 out of 4 or 4.7 out of 5 or B+/A	Prestigious Institutions: King Fahad University of Petroleum and Minerals King Saud University King Abdulaziz University King Faisal University (Medicine in particular)
Scotland	Bachelor's Hons	2:1, 14/20	1 st , 17/20	St Andrews University uses a 1-20 grading scheme that cannot directly be converted to a %. Between 16 and 16.5/20 roughly equivalent to 68%
Senegal	<u>Diplôme d'Etudes Approfondies</u>	16/20, 'très bien' or 'very good'		Senegal uses the French system
Serbia and Montenegro*	Bachelor's degree (post-2005) Magistar or Specialist Diploma (pre-2005)	9/10 9/10	10/10 10/10	
Sierra Leone	Masters	A	A+	
Singapore	Bachelor's degree from National University of Singapore and Nanyang University of Technology	Upper second class or CAP 4 on a 4.5 scale or	First class or CAP 4.5/4.5 or GPA 4.5/5.	NUS uses CAP out of 4.5, Nanyang uses GPA out of 5. Grade

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	Bachelor's degree awarded by a public higher education institution or SIM University Master's Degree from all other institutions	GPA 4/5. First class. Pass		equivalencies are taken from their website. Recognised Universities: SIM University Singapore Management University Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD)
Slovakia*	Bakalar (post-2005) Magister / Inzinier (formerly Absolvent Vysokej školy) / Professional title (pre-2005)	A, Excellent A, Excellent		
Slovenia*	University Diploma (6 years) University Diploma (4 years)	Final average of 9 Final average of 10	Final average of 10	The first Bologna degrees were expected to commence in 2006-07.
South Africa	Bachelor's (Hons)/Baccalaureus Artium Honores/Bachelor of Technology (BTEch) from a well-ranked institution	70%, 2 nd class division 1	75%, 1 st class	Recognised institutions: University of Cape Town University of Witwatersrand University of Stellenbosch University of Pretoria Rhodes University
Spain*	Titulo de Grado (post-2008) Licenciado/Titulo de Ingeniero/Titulo de Arquitecto (pre-2008)	Notable 8.0 2.5 from Universidad Complutense Madrid Notable 8.0 2.5 from Universidad Complutense Madrid	9.5 9.5	
Sri Lanka	Bachelor Special Degree/Professional degree	A, 70% or First Class.	At least 75%	GPA 4/4 = A, some Universities award first class to students with

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COUNTRY	QUALIFICATION REQUIRED	2:1 EQUIVALENT	FIRST EQUIVALENT	COMMENTS
				3.7/4.
Sudan	Master's	Pass		
Suriname	Master's	Met Genoegen/ Good	Cum laude/with Distinction	
Sweden*	Kandidatexamen/Bachelor Degree	Minimum of 90 credits at Vål godkänd (VG)		Note: Some Universities have adopted an A-F grading scale. Our minimum requirement would be a profile of mostly Bs with some As.
Switzerland*	Bachelor's degree (post-2001)	5/6, 8/10, 2/5 (where 1 is the top mark) gut, bien, bene or good		
	Diplom/Diplome, Lizentiat/Licence/Staatsdiplom/Diplome d'Etat	5/6, 8/10, 2/5 (where 1 is the top mark) gut, bien, bene or good		
Syria	Master's degree/Al-Majistir	Pass		
Taiwan	Master's degree			See Appendix A for prestigious institutions
	Bachelor's degree from a prestigious institution	80% or GPA 3.7/4.0		
Tanzania	Bachelor's	GPA 3.7/4		
Thailand	Bachelor's from prestigious institution	GPA 3.7/4		See Appendix A for prestigious institutions
	Master's degree from all other institutions			
Trinidad and Tobago	Bachelor Degree from the University of the West Indies	GPA 3.6/4, A, First Class		

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COUNTRY	QUALIFICATION REQUIRED	2:1 EQUIVALENT	FIRST EQUIVALENT	COMMENTS
Tunisia	Licence or Maîtrise	16/20		
	Diplôme National d'Ingénieur	14/20		
Turkey*	Lisans Diplomasi (Bachelors) from institution that has implemented Bologna (studied post 2005)	GPA 3.5/4	GPA 3.8/4	See Appendix A for a list of institutions from which a Bachelors can be accepted
	Master's degree (Yukse Lisans Diplomasi)			
Uganda	Bachelor's degree when awarded from a public university or an institution accredited by the National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) (accreditation compulsory from 2007).	Class 1 or Top Honours, GPA 4.4/5 or A		Public Universities: Busitema University Gulu University Kyambogo University Makerere University Business School, Kampala Makerere University, Kampala Mbarara University of Science and Technology Uganda Management Institute, Kampala For more information about NCHE accredited institutions please see http://www.unche.or.ug/institutions .
Ukraine*	Dyplom Magistra (pre-2005)	9/12 (or Grade 5 under old system).	11/12 (or Grade 5 under old system).	
	Dyplom Bakalavra (Bachelors) (post-2007 from Bologna Institution)	9/12 (or Grade 5 under old system).	11/12 (or Grade 5 under old system).	
United Arab Emirates	Master's degree	Pass		
Uruguay	Licenciado / Professional Title (awarded after 4	10 on a 12 point scale,		

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COUNTRY	QUALIFICATION REQUIRED	2:1 EQUIVALENT	FIRST EQUIVALENT	COMMENTS
	years of study)	85 per cent or a GPA of 4.5 on 6 point scale.		
USA	Bachelor's degree from a recognised university	GPA 3.5/4	GPA 3.7/4	Note: On a 5 point GPA, we would be looking for 4.3 and above, with 4.6 being equivalent to a First.
Uzbekistan	Master's/Magistr Diplomi	80%		
Venezuela	Licenciatura / Título de [subject area] (when awarded after a minimum of four years)	8/9, 80%, distinguido or very good, 17/20		
Vietnam	Master's degree/Thac si Research Based	7.6/10 or Good	9.1/10 or Excellent.	
Yemen	Master's from a recognised institution	90% or an overall mark of excellent		
Zambia	Master's degree from the University of Zambia	81%, Distinction with A or 2.0/2.5	91 or Distinction with A+	
Zimbabwe	Bachelor degree (honours) from the University of Zimbabwe Master's from other institutions	First Division with 75%	First Division with 86%	Unfortunately we cannot accept the bachelor's (General) degree from the University of Zimbabwe.

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BANGLADESH

Public Universities

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University
Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Agricultural University
Bangladesh Agricultural University
Bangladesh Open University
Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET)
Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)
Begum Rokeya University
Chittagong University of Engineering and Technology (CUET)
Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University
Comilla University
Dhaka University of Engineering and Technology (DUET)
Hajee Mohammad Danesh Science and Technology University
Islamic University
Jagannath University
Jahangirnagar University
Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University
Jessore Science and Technology University (JSTU)
Khulna University
Khulna University of Engineering and Technology (KUET)
Mawlana Bhashani Science and Technology University (MBSTU)
National University
Noakhali Science and Technology University (NSTU)
Pabna University of Science and Technology
Patuakhali Science and Technology University (PSTU)
Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology (RUET)
Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (SUST)
Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University
Sylhet Agricultural University
University of Chittagong
University of Dhaka
University of Rajshahi

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BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Sveučilište u Mostaru (University of Mostar)
Univerzitet 'Džemal Bijedić' Mostar ('Dzemaal Bijedic' University Mostar)
Univerzitet u Banjoj Luci (University of Banja Luka)
Univerzitet u Bihaću (University of Bihac)
Univerzitet u Istočnom Sarajevu (University of East Sarajevo)
Univerzitet u Sarajevu (University of Sarajevo)
Univerzitet u Tuzli (University of Tuzla)
Univerzitet u Zenici (University of Zenica)
Visoka Medicinska Skola Prijedor (Medical College Prijedor)
Visoka Skola Hotelijerstva i Turizma Trebinje (College of Hotel and Tourism Trebinje)

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CHINA

When assessing transcripts from universities in China, calculate a straightforward average based on percentages awarded. Disregard any information on hours. If this calculation gives the required percentage, the applicant may be regarded as having met the condition. If the final percentage is slightly lower than that required, re-calculate the average, but disregard the subjects taken by all students, e.g. Physical Education, and look specifically at the subjects you might be interested in and what marks were obtained in those subjects. On this basis, you might want to make a case for the applicant to have his or her academic condition approved

Prestigious Universities:

BeiHang University (formerly Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics)
Fudan University
Harbin Institute of Technology
Hua Zhong University of Science & Technology
Macao University
Nan Kai University
Nanjing University
Peking University

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People’s University (Renmin University – Social Sciences and Humanities only)
Qinghua (Tsinghua) University
Shanghai Communications University (Shanghai Jiaotong University)
Shanghai International Studies University (foreign languages/ linguistics only)
Tong Ji University
University of Science & Technology of China
Xian Communications University
Zhejiang University
Zhong Shan University (also known as Sun Yatsen University)

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Good Universities
Anhui University
Beijing Jiaotong University
Beijing University of Posts & Telecommunications
Beijing Foreign Studies University
Beijing Forestry University
Beijing Institute of Technology
Beijing Normal University
Beijing Sport University
Beijing University of Chemical Technology
Beijing University of Chinese Medicine

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Beijing University of Technology
Capital Medical University
Central China Normal University
Central Conservatory of Music
Central South University
Central University of Finance and Economics
Central University of Nationalities
Chang'an University
China Agricultural University
China Pharmaceutical University
China University of Geosciences (Beijing)
China University of Geosciences (Wuhan)
China University of Mining & Technology
China University of Mining & Technology (Beijing)
China University of Petroleum
China University of Petroleum (Beijing)
China University of Political Science and Law
Chongqing University
Communication University of China
Dalian Maritime University
Dalian University of Technology
Donghua University

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East China Normal University
East China University of Science & Technology
Fuzhou University
Guangxi University
Guizhou University
Harbin Engineering University
Hebei University of Technology
Hefei University of Technology
Hohai University
Huazhong Agricultural University
Hunan Normal University
Hunan University
Inner Mongolia University
Jilin University
Jinan University
Lanzhou University
Liaoning University
Nanchang University
Nanjing Agricultural University
Nanjing Normal University
Nanjing University of Aeronautics & Astronautics
Nanjing University of Science & Technology

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National University of Defense Technology
North China Electric Power University
Northeast Agricultural University
Northeast Forestry University
Northeast Normal University
Northeastern University
Northwest Agricultural and Forestry University
Northwestern Polytechnical University
Northwest University
Ocean University of China
Renmin University of China
Shaanxi Normal University
Shandong University
Shanghai Second Medial University
Shanghai University
Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
Sichuan Agricultural University
Sichuan University
Si Chan University
South China Normal University
South China University of Technology
Southeast University

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Southern Yangtze University
Southwest China Normal University
Southwest Jiaotong University
Southwest University of Finance and Economics
Suzhou University
Taiyuan University of Technology
The Fourth Military Medical University
The Second Military Medical University
Tianjin Medical University
Tianjin University
University of Electronic Science & Technology of China
University of International Business and Economics
University of Science & Technology (Beijing)
Wuhan University
Wuhan University of Technology
Xiamen University
Xi'an Jiaotong University
Xidian University
Xinjiang University
Yanbian University
Yunnan University
Zhengzhou University

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Zhongnan University of Economics and Law

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INDIA

The purpose of this listing is to provide guidance on those Indian universities where a four-year BEng degree can be considered as meeting minimum requirements (Guide CGPA 8.5/10). The omission of a university (for the reasons implicit below) does not mean that is necessarily of lower quality. Such cases should continue to be referred to the International Office. Benchmark UK institutions at a similar ranking level are shown.

The ranking and rating of Indian universities is a difficult and complex matter. The lists below are drawn from three sources. The first from the 2008 THE/QS rankings and cover the top echelon of Indian universities, primarily the IIT network.

The second set of rankings are drawn from the Indian NAAC (National Assessment and Accreditation Council), an autonomous body within the University Grants Committee. Assessment and accreditation on the part of Indian universities is voluntary. The most prestigious universities do not submit themselves for such inspection. The list contains those universities (and other HEIs) which obtained top ratings: five stars on the NAAC older system and A++ on the current system. The inclusion of universities in this list does not imply that all offer a BEng programme.

The final university in a list of one, Vellore Institute of Technology, has its four year qualifications recognised by the UK Engineering Council

Top Indian Universities THE/QS Rankings (2008)

154	IIT Delhi	(153 Aberdeen)
174	IIT Bombay	(170 Lancaster)
242	IIT Kanpur	(237 Exeter)
274	University of Delhi	(296 Brunel)
303	IIT Madras (Chennai)	(309 UEA)
400-500	IIT Roorkee	(Heriot-Watt, Kent)
500+	IIT Guwahati	
	IIT Kharagpur	

- IISc (Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore) is not included in THE rankings but is a Top Indian University.
- IISER Kolkota is not included in THE rankings but is a Top Indian University.
- National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS) has exchange programme with the University for PhD students.

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- Nearby UK HEI rankings are included as a benchmark

NAAC Top Rated Indian Universities

Anna University, Chennai FIVE STAR
Bangalore University, Jnana Barathi, Bangalore FIVE STAR
Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani FIVE STAR
Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad FIVE STAR
Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies University, Varanasi FIVE STAR
Gandhigram Rural University, Dindigul FIVE STAR
Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar FIVE STAR
Karnatak University, Dharwad FIVE STAR
Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (Deemed University), Mumbai A++
Osmania University, Hyderabad FIVE STAR
Panjab University, Chandigarh FIVE STAR
Punjabi University, Patiala FIVE STAR
S.N.D.T. Womens University, Mumbai FIVE STAR
Sri Sathya Sai University, Vidyagiri, Ananthapur A++
Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai FIVE STAR
University of Calcutta, Calcutta FIVE STAR
University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad FIVE STAR
University of Mumbai, Mumbai FIVE STAR
University of Pune, Pune FIVE STAR

- The star ratings derive from NAAC's previous grading system; A++ is the top rating from the current system
- Inclusion in the NAAC validation process is voluntary. It follows that omission from the ratings carries no implications. The top ranked (THE/QS) universities have not been inspected by NAAC.

Four Year BEng etc. Qualifications recognised by constituent bodies of the Engineering council

Vellore Institute of Technology

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City University of Hong Kong (CityU)
Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU)
Lingnan University (LU)
The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU)
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)
The University of Hong Kong (HKU)
The Hong Kong Institute of Education (HKIEd)
Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts (HKAPA)
The Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK)
Hong Kong Shue Yan University (HKSJU)
Chu Hai College of Higher Education

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JAPAN PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES Keio University

Kyoto University
Osaka University (with 85%+)
Sophia University
Tokyo Institute of Technology
University of Tokyo
Waseda University
Yokohama City University (Applicants should have 85%+)
Yokohama National University (Applicants should have 85%+)

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KOREA (SOUTH) PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES

EWHA Women's University
KAIST (Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology)
Korea National University
Kyungpook University
Hanyang University
Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTech)
Seoul National University
Sungkyunkwan University

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MALAYSIA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM)
Universiti Darul Iman Malaysia (UDM)
Universiti Islam Antarabangsa Malaysia (UIAM)
Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM)
Universiti Malaya (UM)
Universiti Malaysia Kelantan (UMK)
Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)
Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UNIMAP)
Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS)
Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS)
Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT)
Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris (UPSI)
Universiti Pertahanan Nasional Malaysia (UPNM)
Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM)
Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM)
Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM)
Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTEM)
Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)
Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM)

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Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM)
Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM)

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MAURITUS

Fashion and Design Institute
Industrial and Vocational Training Board (until 2009)
Institut Supérieur de Technologie
Mahatma Gandhi Institute
Mauritius College of the Air
Mauritius Institute of Education
Mauritius Institute of Health
Mauritius Institute of Training and Development (from 2009)
Rabindranath Tagore Institute
Swami Dayanand Institute of Management
University of Mauritius
University of Technology, Mauritius

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MEXICO PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES

Colegio de Mexico
Escuela Nacional de Antropología e Historia (ENAH)
Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia (INAH)
Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)
Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education (ITESM)
National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)
Universidad Iberoamericana

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PAKISTAN TOP UNIVERSITIES

1. University of The Punjab, Lahore
2. National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST)
3. Aga Khan University, Karachi
4. Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore LUMS)
5. (COMSATS Institute of Information Technology (CIIT), Islamabad
6. Lahore University
7. Lahore University of Engineering and Technology (UET),
8. Karachi University
9. University of Engineering and Technology (UET),
10. University of Engineering and Technology, Taxila
11. National University of Computer and Emerging Studies
12. Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad
13. Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Applied Sciences

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RUSSIA PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES

Finance Academy
MGIMO (Moscow State Institute of International Relations)
Military University
Moscow Aviation University
Moscow Energy Institute
Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology
Moscow State Law Academy
Moscow State Technical University
Moscow State University
Russian Economy Academy
State University of Management

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TAIWAN PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES

Cheng-Chih University

National University of Taiwan/National Taiwan University

Tsinghua University, Taipei

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THAILAND PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES

Assumption

Bangkok

Chulalongkorn

Kasetsart

King Mongkut Institute of Technology

Mahidol

Ramkhamhaeng

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English Language Ability

List A - No Language Condition required

We would not normally require applicants from the following countries to take an IELTS or TOEFL test, or to have an assessment with the Language Centre. However, individual circumstances may lead us to set a condition, and a department may ask that a condition is set if they have particular concerns.

Applicants who are not nationals of these countries, but who have studied there and completed a qualification equivalent to a UK Bachelors, are also exempt from being set a language condition.

Antigua and Barbuda

Australia. Also Christmas Island, Norfolk Island, Keeling Islands, Cocos Islands

Bahamas

Barbados

Belize

Bermuda

Botswana

British Antarctic Territory. Also British Antarctica, Antarctica British

British Indian Ocean Territory. Also Chagos Archipelago, Indian Ocean Territory (British)

British Virgin Islands.

Canada

Channel Islands

Dominica

Falkland Islands

Gibraltar

Grenada

Guyana

Irish Republic, Eire

Jamaica

Malta

New Zealand. Also Niue, Tokelau, Cook Islands

St Kitts and St Nevis

St Lucia

St Vincent and the Grenadines

Trinidad and Tobago

UK, Isle of Man

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USA

List B - Language condition required – Assessment by Language Centre

Ghana

India

Kenya

Mauritius

Nigeria

Singapore - National University of Singapore (NUS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore Management University (SMU)

South Africa – Set a GAOASS for applicants from the following universities: University of Witwatersrand, University of Cape Town, University of Stellenbosch, University of Pretoria.

Applicants from all other South African Universities should be set the appropriate language condition.

Sri Lanka

Sudan

Swaziland

Uganda

West Indies, with the exception of those in List A above

Zambia

Zimbabwe

List C - Language condition required – IELTS or TOEFL

All countries not mentioned in either List A or List B above

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APPENDIX C – BOLOGNA

The Bologna Declaration is a pledge to reform the structures of higher education systems throughout Europe in a convergent way. It is a commitment freely taken by each signatory country (now 46 in total) to reform its own higher education system or systems in order to create overall convergence at European level. The Bologna process aims to create convergence rather than standardisation of European higher education. A common framework of degrees is being introduced, based around a first degree lasting no less than three years followed by a master's, then a doctorate level qualification. Bologna is also supporting the ECTS – European Credit Transfer System – which is a way of measuring and comparing learning achievements and transferring them from one institution to another across Europe, between institutions within one country and within an institution. 60 ECTS represent one year of study (in terms of workload).

Current Bologna signatories are: “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”, Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Holy See, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom.

The Board of Graduate Studies agreed at its meeting on 15 January 2008, that Bologna degrees may be considered for graduate study. Assuming that the grades obtained are at a sufficiently high level, special academic cases will not be required for applicants holding Bologna-style Bachelors degrees. However, please note that this is a *minimum* requirement only – it does not follow that every applicant with a Bologna Bachelors will be of a sufficiently high standard for admission, even if their grades are high. This is because qualification levels in Bologna signatory countries are still ultimately determined by national quality assurance agencies, and so uniformity of standards is not guaranteed. The suitability of an individual applicant for graduate study will therefore depend not only on the type of degree they hold, but also on the type of educational system in place in their country, and more particularly, on the nature of the institution at which their degree was taken. The International Office is very happy to respond to enquiries regarding educational systems and institutions, and departments are encouraged to contact them if they would like additional information.