



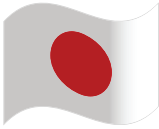
Globally recognised qualifications

Success in Cambridge qualifications opens doors to universities worldwide. Universities tell us they value the deep subject knowledge, independent research and critical thinking skills that Cambridge qualifications bring. This guide summarises the key admissions requirements for study in popular destinations for Cambridge students. It also highlights some of the higher education institutions that recognise Cambridge qualifications. For a more comprehensive list, search our recognition database at www.cambridgeinternational.org/recognition-search

Destination	Key admissions information	Recognising institutions include:
Argentina 	Most universities recognise Cambridge qualifications from IGCSEs to the AICE Diploma. Cambridge qualifications can earn exemptions, for example from proof of English language ability, or direct entry purposes.	• Instituto Tecnológico de Buenos Aires • Universidad Argentina de la Empresa • Universidad Austral • Universidad de San Andrés • Universidad Torcuato Di Tella.
Australia 	All universities under the Universities Australia umbrella, including the Group of Eight coalition of top universities, recognise Cambridge qualifications. Typically, three A Level passes at minimum Grade C are required for entry to university, while three or four AS Level passes at minimum of Grade C or D are needed for pathway programmes. International students also need to meet English language requirements.	• Australian National University • University of Queensland • University of Sydney • University of Melbourne • University of New South Wales.
Canada 	Over 60 Canadian universities recognise Cambridge qualifications. Students with at least two A Levels can apply to Canadian universities and colleges, but students must check before applying as admissions criteria vary by institution and course.	• Concordia University • McGill University • University of Alberta • University of British Columbia • University of Saskatchewan.
China's mainland 	Cambridge International A Level qualifications give access to many English degree programmes offered by universities on China's mainland. Typically, two to three A Levels at Grade E and above will meet minimum entry requirements. Depending on subject choice, mathematics and one science subject (physics, biology or chemistry) are required for science or STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) related majors. Scholarship opportunities are offered on a merit or need basis for Cambridge International A Level qualifications. Please check with the relevant university for detailed information. Cambridge IGCSE™ or Cambridge International AS & A Level English at a certain grade will normally satisfy the English language requirement. Bear in mind that some universities require English language certificates to be obtained within a certain time period. For degree programmes in Chinese, universities will also require international students to provide a Chinese language test certificate at HSK 4 or 5 level.	• Peking University • Tsinghua University • Business School, Renmin University of China • Fudan University • Shanghai Jiao Tong University • Zhejiang University International Business School.



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Colombia 	Most universities recognise Cambridge IGCSEs and Cambridge International AS & A Levels, which can also earn exemptions from proof of English language ability.	• Universidad de los Andes • Universidad Javeriana • Universidad Icesi • Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana • Universidad del Norte.
Egypt 	For the majority of courses, most universities require eight IGCSE subjects at minimum Grade C, plus one A Level subject at minimum Grade D (eight IGCSEs + one A Level or eight IGCSEs + two AS Levels). Subject-specific requirements apply depending on the chosen field of study. Students must also pass the Ministry of Education exams in Arabic, Religious Studies and Social Studies.	• Supreme Council of Universities • Heliopolis University • American University in Cairo.
Germany 	Studying in Germany requires three independent academic A Level subjects with a minimum Grade C. AS Levels cannot be considered instead of an A Level. Subject-specific requirements also apply, depending on the chosen field of study, and on the requirements set by the university. Certain vocational subjects are also accepted for a specific range of courses. Read more on our recognition web page for Germany. You can find full details on the anabin database of the Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB) at https://anabin.kmk.org/anabin.html (German only).	• Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München • Freie Universität Berlin • RWTH Aachen • Universität zu Köln • Friedrich-Alexander-Universität, Erlangen-Nürnberg • SDI München.
Hong Kong, SAR China 	Hong Kong universities are very familiar with Cambridge qualifications. Typically, universities ask for three A Levels, with some universities accepting two AS Levels or five/six IGCSEs as equivalent to one of the three A Levels. Language subjects normally are not included in one of the three A Level subjects for admission purposes. Please check with the relevant university for detailed information. Cambridge IGCSE English Language or English Literature provides the required proof of linguistic ability at a number of universities.	• Hong Kong University of Science and Technology • University of Hong Kong • Chinese University of Hong Kong • City University of Hong Kong • Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
India 	Association of Indian Universities, the nodal agency that awards equivalence to foreign qualifications in India, has granted equivalence to Cambridge International A Levels, Cambridge IGCSE and Cambridge O Levels. Private candidates are not awarded equivalence. Universities typically require three A Levels. Entry to professional courses through national entrance tests have higher requirements.	• University of Delhi • University of Calcutta • University of Hyderabad • University of Mumbai • University of Bangalore • Indian Institute of Technology.
Ireland 	Cambridge qualifications are accepted by all Irish universities. Cambridge International A Levels with Grade C or above are required, together with IGCSEs at Grade C. The requirement is normally a total of six distinct subjects (A Levels and IGCSEs combined). Admission is competitive, and higher minimum requirements and subject-specific grades may apply depending on the course and university. This will be indicated on the university's website. Cambridge IPQ is recognised and will score as a Cambridge International AS Level.	• Trinity College Dublin • University College Cork • University College Dublin • University of Galway.
Japan 	Leading public and private universities offer English-based degree programmes, and most such programmes accept Cambridge qualifications for entry. Many of those universities require three Cambridge International A Levels to apply to their courses, and some accept IGCSEs and AS Levels with a combination of one or more A Levels. Read more on our recognition web page for Japan.	• International Christian University • Kyushu University • Nagoya University • Sophia University • The University of Tokyo • Tohoku University.

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Malaysia 	Public and private universities are very familiar with Cambridge qualifications – many students apply successfully to private universities, but places are limited in state universities. Typical admissions requirements are three A Levels, but as criteria vary by institution and course students should check before applying.	• University of Malaya • Universiti Sains Malaysia • Universiti Teknologi Malaysia • Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS • Taylor's University.
Netherlands 	Cambridge qualifications are recognised by universities in the Netherlands Students applying to a research university must achieve three IGCSEs at Grade C and above and three A Levels at Grade C and above in six different subjects (for competitive courses, higher and/or additional requirements may apply). Students applying to universities of applied sciences must achieve at least four IGCSEs at Grade C and above and two AS Levels at Grade C and above in six different subjects.	• Delft University of Technology • Leiden University • University of Amsterdam • Saxion University of Applied Sciences • Utrecht University • Radboud University.
New Zealand 	All New Zealand universities recognise Cambridge qualifications. Cambridge International AS or A Level: a minimum of 120 points on the New Zealand Cambridge tariff from any syllabus groups which are broadly equivalent to those in the list of approved subjects for the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA), and Grade D or above from at least three different syllabus groups (excluding Thinking Skills). Plus literacy (Grade E or above in AS Level English Language, English Language and Literature, English Literature or English General Paper) and numeracy (Grade D or above in IGCSE or GCSE Mathematics or any mathematics subject passed at AS Level).	• University of Auckland • University of Canterbury • Victoria University of Wellington • Waikato Institute of Technology.
Pakistan 	Cambridge qualifications are widely recognised by universities across Pakistan, and by the government of Pakistan. Qualification equivalence is established by the Ministry of Education and can change – students should check entry criteria for both the individual institution and course before applying.	• National University of Sciences and Technology • University of Health Sciences • University of Engineering and Technology Lahore • Dow Medical College.
Singapore 	Cambridge qualifications are widely recognised by universities in Singapore. The application process for public universities is highly competitive – Cambridge students will generally need at least four very strong International A Level grades. Some universities may ask for standardised test.	• National University of Singapore • Nanyang Technological University • Singapore Management University.
South Africa 	Cambridge qualifications are widely accepted by universities in South Africa. Students need to qualify for a certificate of exemption issued by Universities South Africa (USAf), a requirement to pursue first degree studies in South Africa. You can find grading and subject grouping requirements for the exemption at: www.cambridgeinternational.org/recognition	• University of Cape Town • University of Pretoria • Stellenbosch University • University of the Western Cape.



Please always check entry criteria directly with universities before applying.



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Spain 	Study in Spain requires five IGCSE/O Level subjects at Grade C or above plus at least three A Levels with a minimum of 48 UCAS tariff points. Up to a maximum of four AS & A Level qualifications can be submitted, i.e., two A Levels + two AS Levels, three A Levels, three A Levels + one AS Level or four A Levels. You can find information on applying with international qualifications at: https://unedasiss.uned.es/home	• ESCP Europe Business School – Madrid campus • IE University – Madrid and Segovia campuses.
UAE 	The UAE Ministry of Education recognises Cambridge qualifications for university entrance. Students must have a Grade E or above in at least five IGCSEs or O Levels, plus two AS Levels or one A Level at Grade D or above.	• American University of Sharjah • Khalifa University • American University in Dubai • University of Sharjah • Zayed University.
UK 	Cambridge qualifications are recognised by UK universities. Universities typically require three A Levels. Different courses require different grades and subject combinations, so students should check entry criteria for both the individual institution and course before applying.	• University of Oxford • University of Cambridge • Imperial College London • University College London • The University of Manchester.
USA 	Cambridge qualifications are widely recognised by US universities, including Ivy League and Ivy Plus institutions. As entry requirements, exemption options, and/or credit arrangements can vary, students should check entry criteria for both the individual institution and course before applying.	• Stanford University • Harvard University • Caltech • University of Chicago • Princeton University.

Applying to university with Cambridge qualifications

Key advice for students

- **Check admissions criteria before applying:** Admissions criteria vary between institutions and courses, and are subject to change. In countries such as the US and Canada, students with good grades in Cambridge qualifications may also be eligible for course credits or advanced standing, reducing the length and cost of their studies.
- **Confirm language requirements:** Students planning to follow an academic course delivered in English may have to demonstrate a specific level of English language proficiency as part of the admissions process. Cambridge qualifications are often accepted as evidence of such proficiency.
- **Research target destinations:** Students planning to study in a different country/region will also need to undertake detailed research into issues ranging from visa requirements to local culture.

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Useful resources

Recognition database

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Country-specific guidance

We publish a range of Destination brochures to give students advice on applying to institutions in countries including Australia, Canada, India, Pakistan, South Africa, the UK and US. You can also find videos on our website filmed in popular student destinations, with advice from admissions officers and former Cambridge students.