

Cameroon

Educational Timeline

- School year: January-December; Graduation occurs in December
- Francophone Education System:
 - o Following primary school, students have the choice of attending *collège l'enseignement général* (lower secondary) which is four years or *collège l'enseignement secondaire* (upper-secondary) or a *lycée technique* (technical secondary school) which is seven years. Students who have completed the *collège* can continue to upper secondary studies at a *lycée*. Upper secondary is three years and students are awarded a *Diplôme de Baccalauréat* upon completion.
- Anglophone Education System:
 - o Following primary school, students attend lower secondary school for five years and at the end of study students sit for the Cameroon General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level Examination (Cameroon GCE "O" Level) or the Technical and Vocational Education Examination Intermediate Level (TVEE "I" Level). Upper secondary school is two years and students sit for the General Certificate of Education Advanced Level (GCE "A" Level) or the Technical and Vocational Education Examination Advanced Level (TVEE "A" Level).
 - o After completion of the initial five years of secondary school, students can extend high school graduation by enrolling at the first possible opportunity in one of the programs listed under "Allowable Continuing Secondary Extension"

Group A: Documents That Meet High School Graduation Requirement

Students presenting documents other than those listed below will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis

Francophone Credentials:

Diplôme de Baccalauréat

Baccalaureate Diploma

-Must be accompanied by corresponding exam results

Brevet de Technicien (BT)/Brevet Professionnel (BP)

Technician Certificate/Professional Certificate

-Must be accompanied by corresponding exam results

Anglophone Credentials (1st Graduation Point):

Cameroon General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level (GCE O-Level)

-GCE board-issued exam certificates. Result slips are not accepted.

Cameroon Technical and Vocational Education Examination Intermediate Level (TVEE I-Level)

-GCE board-issued exam certificates. Result slips are not accepted.

Anglophone Credentials (Allowable Continuing Secondary Extension):

Cameroon General Certificate of Education Advanced Level (GCE A-Level)

-GCE board-issued exam certificates. Result slips are not accepted.

Cameroon Technical and Vocational Education Examination Advanced Level (TVEE A-Level)

-GCE board-issued exam certificates. Result slips are not accepted.

Group B: Documents That Do Not Meet High School Graduation Requirement

Comparable to less than completion of US high school

First School Leaving Certificate

Certificat d'Etudes Primaires Élémentaires (CEPE)

Brevet d'Études du Premier Cycle du Second Degré

Certificat d'Aptitude Professionnelle (CAP)

Certificate of Primary School Exams Completion

Certificate of Elementary Primary Studies

Certification of First Cycle of Second Level Studies

Certificate of Professional Aptitude

GPA Calculation

For students from the Anglophone system, calculate the cumulative high school GPA by converting line-by-line all exam grades listed on the GCE O-Level and GCE A-Level certificates to US equivalents and convert to quality points. Divide total quality points by the total number of subjects on the certificate. Each subject is weighted equally. For students from the Francophone system who take the *Baccalauréat* exam, the overall average on the final *Relevé de Notes* is directly converted to its US equivalent.

Grading Scale (may not be all inclusive):

Diplôme de Baccalauréat

Numeric Grade	US Grade	Quality Points
14.0 – 20.0	A	4
12.0 – 13.9	B	3
10.0 – 11.9	C	2 lowest passing grade
0 – 9.9	F	0

Cameroon GCE "O" Level and TVEE "I" Level

Grade	US Grade	Quality Points
A	A	4
B	B	3
C	C	2 lowest passing grade
D, E, U	F	0

Cameroon GCE "A" Level and TVEE "A" Level

Grade	US Grade	Quality Points
A	A	4
B	B	3
C, D, E	C	2
O	Pass at O Level	0
F	F	0

Class Ranking

Class rank is evaluated based on a letter written and submitted by the headmaster or principal of the institution from which the student graduated. The letter must confirm both the student's final position in their secondary school class and the total number of students in the graduating class (e.g. the student is 41st in a total graduating class of 112 students). However, students completing tracked or separate degree programs (e.g. O-Levels/A-Levels) must be ranked against all other students in a given class who completed the same degree program.

Post-Secondary Education

Students will be charged terms of attendance and considered transfer students if they have enrolled as a regular student and attended one or more courses at any of the types of institutions listed below (may not be all inclusive) or any other institution that requires proof of high school graduation as a pre-requisite for admission (subject to review on a case-by-case basis).

University

School of Medicine

Polytechnic

Institute of Teacher Education

Institute of Special Education

Institut Supérieur/École Supérieure

Université

Superior/Higher Institute

University

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