

Austria

Educational Timeline

- School year in Vienna, Lower Austria, and Burgenland: September to June; Graduation occurs in June; School year in Upper Austria, Salzburg, Styria, Carinthia, Tyrol, and Vorarlberg: September to July; Graduation occurs in July
- Primary school is four years followed by four years of lower secondary school followed by four or five years of upper secondary school

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

Reifeprüfungszeugnis

Maturity Certificate

-Must be accompanied by academic records/transcripts for four years of upper secondary school

Berufsreifezeugnis

Vocational Education Maturity Certificate

-Must be accompanied by academic records/transcripts for five years of upper secondary school

Abschlußzeugnis einer berufsbildenden mittleren schule (BMS) Completion Certificate of Intermediate Vocational School

-Must be accompanied by academic records/transcripts for four years of upper secondary school

Reife- und Diplomprüfungszeugnis

Maturity and Diploma Certificate

-Must be accompanied by academic records/transcripts for five years of upper secondary school

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

Comparable to less than completion of US high school

Abschlußzeugnis der Hauptschule

Certificate of General Secondary School

Abschlußzeugnis der Polytechnischen Schule

Completion Certificate of Polytechnic School

GPA Calculation

Calculate the cumulative high school GPA by converting line-by-line each grade listed on the maturity certificate to US equivalents. Do not include the grades from yearly transcripts. Weight all courses equally. Convert to quality points and divide the total quality points by the total number of courses attempted.

Grading Scale (may not be all inclusive)

General Secondary

Description	Translation	Numeric Grade	US Grade	Quality Points
<i>Sehr Gut</i>	Very Good	1	A	4
<i>Gut</i>	Good	2	B	3
<i>Befriedigend</i>	Satisfactory	3	C	2
<i>Genügend</i>	Sufficient	4	C	2
<i>Nicht Genügend</i>	Insufficient	5	F	0

Matura/Reifeprüfung

Description	Translation	US Grade	Quality Points
<i>Mit Ausgezeichnetem Erfolg</i>	High Distinction	A	4
<i>Mit Gutem Erfolg</i>	Distinction	B	3
<i>Bestanden</i>	Passed	C	2 lowest passing grade
<i>Nicht Bestanden</i>	Failed	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 must be ranked against all other students in a given class who completed the same degree program.

Students who complete the Maturity Certificate as a private candidate cannot use the class rank requirement to meet initial freshmen requirements. This may not be all inclusive of all Austrian high school programs that cannot use class rank.

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).

<i>Universitäten</i>	University
<i>Fachhochschulen</i>	University of Applied Science
<i>Pädagogische Hochschulen</i>	University of Education
<i>Adademien für gesundheitsdienste</i>	Academies for Medical/Technical Professions

Reasonable efforts are made to ensure that the information in this document is accurate, however the NAIA and the NAIA Eligibility Center assume no liability for errors or omissions in the content and information provided. The NAIA and the NAIA Eligibility Center reserve the right to update or change any aspect of this document without notice.