

# Standard Academic Entry Requirements for Foundation Award - 2026 entry

UK Qualifications	
A Level <sup>1</sup>	One A Level at E or above
Access to HE Diploma	45 Level 3 credits at Pass or above
BTEC Level 3 Nationals <sup>2</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 90-Credit Diploma: PP</li> <li>● 540 Diploma: P</li> <li>● Award: P</li> <li>● Diploma: PP 32</li> <li>● Extended Certificate: P 16</li> <li>● Extended Diploma: PPP 48</li> <li>● Foundation Diploma: P 24</li> <li>● Subsidiary Diploma: P 16</li> </ul>
Cambridge Pre-U Diploma	Either pass full Diploma or one principal subject at P3 or above
Cambridge Technicals Level 3 (2016 suite) <sup>3</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Diploma: PP</li> <li>● Extended Certificate: P</li> <li>● Extended Diploma: PPP</li> <li>● Foundation Diploma: PP</li> <li>● Introductory Diploma: P</li> </ul>
International Baccalaureate	Pass either Diploma (IBDP) or Career-related (IBCP) Programme with 4 or above in one Higher Level subject
Scottish Higher and Advanced Higher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Two Scottish Highers at D or above or</li> <li>● One Scottish Advanced Higher at D or above</li> </ul>
T Level	Pass full T Level with D or E on the core
WJEC Level 3 Applied Diploma	Applied Diploma at P or above

For mature students (those aged 21 or over), relevant work experience may be considered in lieu of formal academic qualifications.

<sup>1</sup> Two AS Levels cannot be counted as one A Level.

<sup>2</sup> We do not accept the Level 3 National Certificate.

<sup>3</sup> We do not accept the Cambridge Technical Certificate or qualifications from the 2012 suite.

Country	Qualification
Algeria	Baccalauréat de l'Enseignement Secondaire with overall average of 12/20
Angola	Certificado de Habilitação Literária with overall average of 14/20
Argentina	Titulo de Bachiller/Bachillerato with overall average of 7.0/10
Australia	ATAR of at least 50 plus pass relevant state's Year 12 High School Certificate of Education
Austria	Reifeprüfung/Matura with grade 4 average
Bangladesh	Year 12 Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC) with overall GPA of 3.75
Belarus	General Certificate of Complete Secondary Education with minimum Attestat score of 7/10 overall
Belgium	Certificat d'Enseignement Secondaire Supérieur/Diploma van Secundair Onderwijs/Abschlusszeugnis der Oberstufe des Sekundarunterrichts with overall average of 60%
Brazil	Certificado de Ensino Médio with overall average of 7/10
Bulgaria	Diploma za Sredno Obrazovanie (Diploma of Completed Secondary Education) with overall final score of 3.5/6
Canada	Canadian High School Diploma (all provinces) with minimum overall grade of 60%
Caribbean	Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination (CAPE): grade of 4 in one subject at the two-unit level
Chile	Licencia de Educación/Enseñanza Media with overall average of 5.0 out of 7
China (mainland)	Senior High School Graduation Certificate with overall average of 70%
Colombia	Título de Bachiller Académico with overall average of 70%
Costa Rica	Bachiller en la Enseñanza Media with overall average of 70%
Croatia	Svjedodžba o Maturi (Matura Certificate) with overall average of 2.5 out of 5
Cyprus	Apolytírio Lykeíou (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate) with average of 13/20
Czech Republic /Czechia	Vysvědčení o Maturitní Zkoušce (Secondary School Leaving Certificate) with average of grade 4
Ecuador	Título de Bachiller with average of 65%

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Egypt	Thanaweya A'ama Al-Azhar (General Secondary School Certificate) with overall average of 75%
Finland	Ylioppilastutkinto/Studentexamen with grade 4 average
France	French Baccalauréat with overall score of 11/20
Germany	Abitur with overall average of 3.6
Ghana	West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) with grade average of C6
Greece	Apolytirion (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate) with a minimum average grade of 12/20
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) with 332 in three subjects
India	All India or State Board HSC (XII) with overall average of 55%
Indonesia	SMU 3 / Sekolah Menengah with average of 70%
Iran	Diplom-Motevaseteh (National High School Diploma) with average of 12/20
Ireland	Irish Leaving Certificate (Higher Level) with two subjects at H6 (D3 pre-2017) or above
Japan	Kotogakko Sotsugyo Shomeisho (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate ) with average of 70% or GPA 3/5
Jordan	Tawjihi (General Secondary Education Certificate) with average of 70%
Kenya	Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) with C+ average
Latvia	Atestāts par vispārējo vidējo izglītību (Certificate of General Secondary Education) with average of 60%
Malaysia	Sijil Tinggi Pelajaran Malaysia (STPM) with average of C/2.4 out of 4.0
Mexico	Bachillerato General/Título Académico de Bachiller/Diploma de Bachiller with average of 70%
Morocco	Diplôme du Baccalauréat with overall average of 12/20
Netherlands	Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO) with 6 out of 10 overall
New Zealand	Successful completion of National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3

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Nigeria	West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) or Senior School Certificate Examination (NECO) with grade average of C6
Pakistan	Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC 10+2) with overall average of 60%
Peru	Certificado de Educación Secundaria Común Completa with five subjects and overall average of 14/20
Portugal	Diploma/Certificado de Nível Secundário de Educação with average of 12 out of 20
Russia	Attestat o Srednem Obshchem Obrazovanii (Certificate of Secondary Education) with overall average of 4 out of 5
Singapore	Singapore-Cambridge GCE A-Level, grade E in one subject at H2 level
South Africa	Successful completion of National Senior Certificate with matriculation endorsement
South Korea	Ilbankye Kodung Hakkyo (General High School Diploma) with overall average of 70%
Spain	Titulo de Bachillerato with overall average of 6 out of 10
Syria	Al Shahada Al Thanawiya (Secondary School Leaving Certificate) with overall average of 70%
Taiwan	Senior High School Leaving Certificate with overall average of 60%
Thailand	Mathayom Suksa 6 (M6) with overall average of 65%
Turkey	Devlet Lise Diplomasi with overall average of 60%
Uganda	Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE) with grade average of D
Ukraine	Attestat pro Povnu Zagal'nu Seredniu Osvitu (Certificate of Complete General Secondary Education) with GPA of 7/12
USA	High School Graduation Diploma with minimum GPA of 2.75/4.0
Vietnam	Bằng Tốt Nghiệp Phổ Thông Trung Học (Upper Secondary School School Graduation Diploma) with GPA of 7.0/10

This is not an exhaustive list of the standard qualifications we accept for entry to the Foundation Award. If an applicant holds a qualification from a country not listed above, before submitting an application they should contact the Admissions Office to see if we accept the qualification and, if so, the level required.