

# Admission to Higher Education: determining the suitability and ability of students from Nigeria and the UK

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# Nigerian and UK students in the USA

	2014/15	2015/16	% change	2016/17	% change
UK	10743	11599	8%	11489	-1%
Nigeria	9494	10674	12%	11710	10%

Data from Institute of International Education, IIE

# Nigeria

## FAST FACTS

- Medium of instruction – Nigerian/English
- 10 years compulsory education
- Federal Ministry of Education (FME)
- Nigerian Educational Research and Development Council (NERDC)
- No overarching national qualifications framework

# Nigeria

- Senior School Certificate
- Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination
- Post-UTME
- WAEC/NECO
- JAMB



# Nigeria

A1	Excellent
B2	Very Good
B3	Good
C4	Credit
C5	Credit
C6	Credit
D7	Pass
E8	Pass
F9	Fail

## Grading

# Nigeria

## WAEC Results Checker

Examination Number

Examination Year

Examination

Card Serial Number

PIN

Have you had any problem checking your result earlier?  
Send an email to:  
[Online Support](#)  
Tel: 01-9049320

1. Enter your 10-digit WAEC Examination Number.  
(This is your 7-Digit centre number followed by your 3-digit candidate number eg. 4123456789)
2. Enter the 4 digits of your Examination Year eg. 2002
3. Select the Type of Examination
4. Enter the Card Serial Number found on the reverse side of your Scratch card.
5. Enter the Personal Identification Number (PIN) on your Scratch card
6. Click Submit and wait for the results window to come up

# Nigeria

## Counter Fraud

**West African Examinations Council**  
**General Certificate Of Education**  
ADVANCE LEVEL

June 2006

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**The West African Examination Council**  
**Senior School certificate**

NOVEMBER 2006

# The United Kingdom

## FAST FACTS

England, Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland
RQF, CQFW, NICATS, FHEQ	SCQF
Key stages 1-4	Curriculum for Excellence
Various awarding bodies	Scottish Qualification Authority



# The United Kingdom

Main stages of education/employment	Framework for higher education qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland www.qaa.ac.uk	Regulated Qualifications Framework for England and Northern Ireland www.ofqual.gov.uk www.ccea.org.uk	Credit and Qualifications Framework for Wales www.cqfw.net	National Framework of Qualifications for Ireland www.nfq.ie	Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework www.scfq.org.uk
	LEVEL	LEVEL	LEVEL	LEVEL	LEVEL
Professional or postgraduate education, research or employment	8 Doctoral Degrees	8 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 8	8 Doctoral Degrees, Industry Qualifications, for example, Chartered Accountant	10 Doctoral Degrees, Higher Doctorates	12 Doctoral Degrees, Professional Apprenticeships, Professional Development Awards (PDA), Award
Higher education	7 Master's Degrees, Integrated Master's Degrees, Postgraduate Diplomas, Postgraduate Certificate In Education (PGCE), Postgraduate Certificates	7 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 7	7 Master's Degrees, Vocational Qualifications, Postgraduate Certificate In Education (PGCE), Apprenticeships	9 Master's Degrees, Postgraduate Diplomas	11 Master's Degrees, Integrated Apprenticeships, SVQ, PDA, Postgraduate Diplomas, Postgraduate Certificates, Award
Advanced Skills Training	6 Bachelor's Degrees with Honours, Bachelor's Degrees, Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE), Graduate Diplomas, Graduate Certificates	6 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 6	6 Honours Degrees, Vocational Certificates In Education, Apprenticeships	8 Honours Bachelor Degrees, Higher Diplomas	10 Bachelor's Degrees with Honours, Professional Apprenticeships, SVQ, PDA, Graduate Diplomas, Graduate Certificates, Award
Entry to professional, graduate employment	5 Foundation Degrees, Diplomas of Higher Education (DipHE), Higher National Diplomas (HND)	5 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 5, Higher National Diplomas (HND)	5 Foundation Degrees, Vocational Qualifications, Higher National Diplomas (HND), Apprenticeships	7 Ordinary Bachelor Degrees	9 Bachelor's/Ordinary Degrees, Technical Apprenticeships, PDA, SVQ, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificates, Award
Specialised education and training	4 Higher National Certificates (HNC), Certificates of Higher Education (CertHE)	4 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 4, Higher National Certificates (HNC)	4 Higher National Certificates (HNC), Certificates of Higher Education (CertHE), Vocational Qualifications, Apprenticeships	6 Advanced Certificate, Higher Certificate	8 Higher National Diplomas (HND), Diplomas of Higher Education (DipHE), Technical Apprenticeship, PDA, SVQ, Award
Qualified/Skilled worker	3 Access to HE Diploma*	3 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 3, GCE AS and A Levels	3 Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced, Vocational Qualifications, AS and A Level, Access to HE, Apprenticeships	5 Level 5 Certificate, Leaving Certificate	7 Higher, Modern Apprenticeships, SVQ, PDA, National Progression Award (NPA), National Certificate, Award
Entry to higher education	*The Access to HE Diploma is regulated by QAA but is not part of the FHEQ				6 Higher, Modern Apprenticeships, SVQ, PDA, National Progression Award (NPA), National Certificate, Award
Completion of secondary education	The table gives an indication of how you can compare qualifications across national boundaries. Examples of major qualifications at each level are provided. For more detail of the qualifications that are current at the time of publication in each country, you will need to consult the website given at the head of each column.	2 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 2, GCSEs at grade A* - C, and from 2017 grade 4-9 (England), Functional Skills Level 2 (England), Essential Skills Qualifications (NI)	2 Welsh Baccalaureate National, Vocational Qualifications, Essential Skills, GCSEs grades A*-C, Apprenticeships	4 Level 4 Certificate, Leaving Certificate	5 National 5, Modern Apprenticeships, SVQ, NPA, National Certificate, Award
Progression to skilled employment		1 Technical/Vocational Qualifications Level 1, GCSEs at grade D-G and from 2017 grade 3-1 (England), Functional Skills Level 1 (England), Essential Skills Qualifications (NI)	1 Welsh Baccalaureate Foundation, Vocational Qualifications, Essential Skills, GCSEs at grade D-G	3 Level 3 Certificate, Junior Certificates	4 National 4, SVQ, NPA, National Certificate, Award
Continuation of secondary education				2 Level 2 Certificate	3 National 3, NPA, National Certificate, Award
Secondary education. Initial entry into employment or further education	This leaflet is designed to give some information to help you begin this process, by telling you what your qualification, or qualifications you are interested in studying, are broadly comparable to in other countries.	Entry Level	Entry Level	1 Level 1 Certificate	2 National 2, NPA, National Certificate, Award
		Entry Level Certificates (sub levels 1-3), functional skills Entry Level (England) (English, Mathematics & ICT), Essential Skills Qualifications (NI)	Entry Level Qualifications		1 National 1, Award

**Qualifications can cross boundaries**  
- a guide to comparing qualifications in the UK and Ireland, March 2017



# The United Kingdom

## Secondary Credentials

- GCSEs
- A levels
- Highers
- Advanced Highers
- BTECs/NVQs
- [Ofqual](#)
- Higher Education [Access Course](#)

# The United Kingdom

## Grading

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	
7	
6	B
5	
4	
3	D
2	
1	
U	U

National Courses	Grading
National 1 units	Pass or fail Class assessment
National 2 and National 3 courses	Pass or fail Class Assessment
National 4 courses	Pass or fail Class Assessment
National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher courses	A to D or 'no award' Class Assessment and Course Assessment

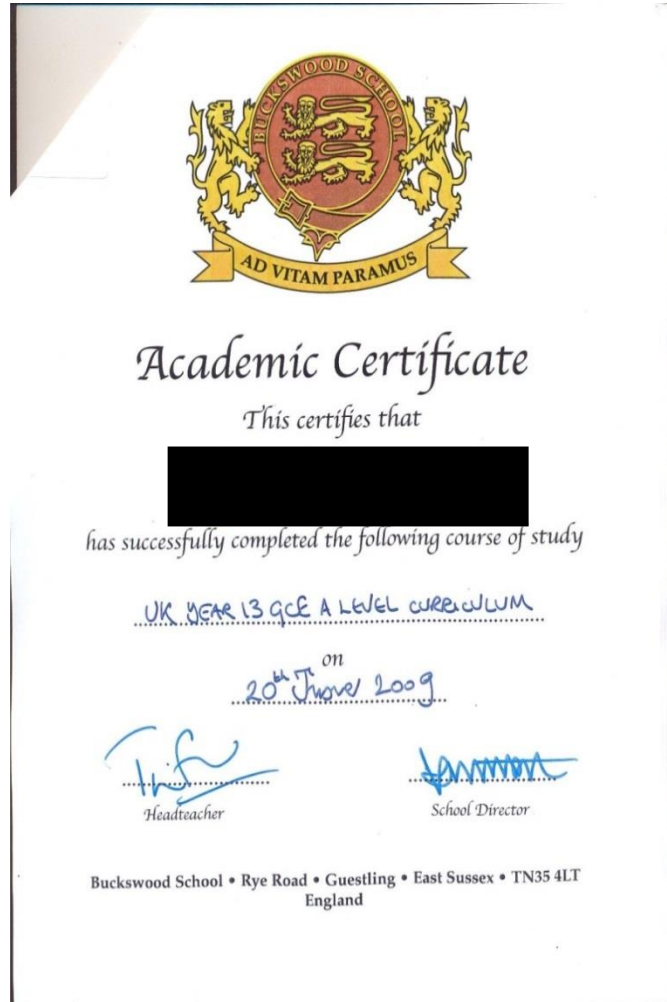
# The United Kingdom






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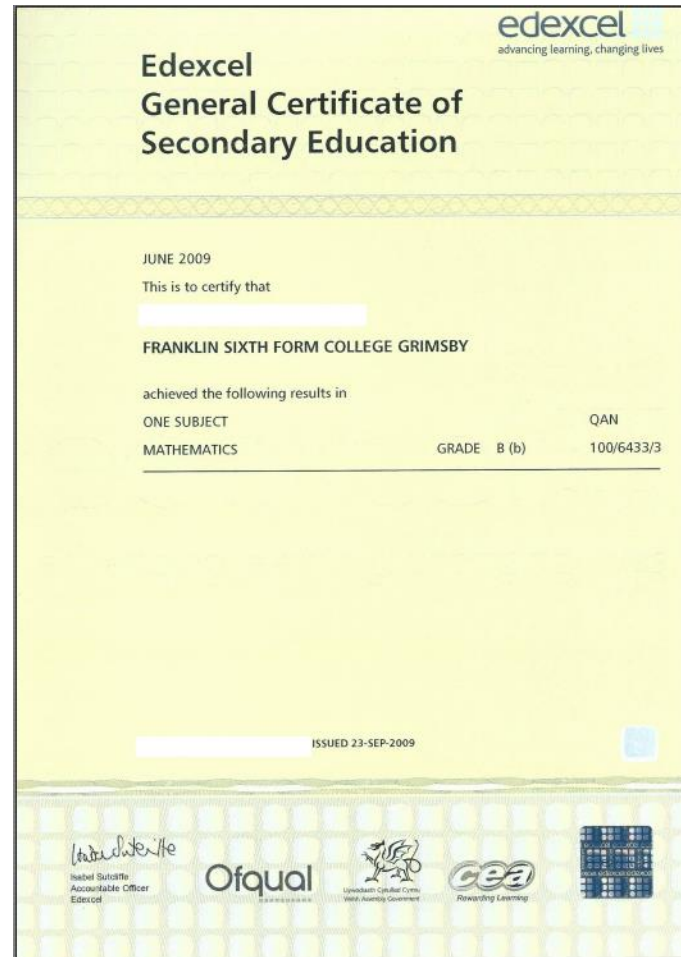
# The United Kingdom



# The United Kingdom

 <b>edexcel</b> advancing learning, changing lives		<b>CANDIDATE STATEMENT OF PROVISIONAL RESULTS</b>	
			
<b>GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION</b> JUNE 2008 EXAMINATION			
<b>CENTRE No.</b>	<b>CENTRE NAME</b>		
57353	CHOSEN HILL SCHOOL		
<b>CARD No.</b>	<b>CANDIDATE NAME</b>	<b>SEX</b>	<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>
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<b>UNIQUE CANDIDATE IDENTIFIER</b>			
<b>TYPE</b>	<b>SUBJECT NUMBER, TITLE AND RESULT</b>		
			<b>UNIFORM MARK/MAX</b>
UNIT	5507	MATHS CSWK	100/120
UNIT	5540H	MATHS (H)	445/480
			<b>GRADE</b>
GCSE	1972	D&T: GRAPH. PR	A(a)
GCSE	2540	MATHEMATICS	A*(a*)
	JUN 2008	5507 MATHS CSWK	100/120
	JUN 2008	5540H MATHS (H)	445/480
			
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13 AUG 2008			<b>END</b> <small>TURN OVER</small>
<small>THIS DOCUMENT IS NOT A CERTIFICATE Find out more about results and what to do @ <a href="http://www.examzone.co.uk">www.examzone.co.uk</a></small>			

# The United Kingdom



# Nigeria

## Bachelor degrees:

- Generally 4 years to complete
- Single / Joint Honours
- 1<sup>st</sup> year – 3 subjects
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year – 2 subjects
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year – 2 / 1 subject(s)
- 4<sup>th</sup> year – 2 / 1 subject (s)



# Nigeria

## New Nigerian Universities Commission (NUC) undergraduate grading system:

Degree Classification	Percentage Score	Letter Grades	Grade Points	Cumulative GPA
First Class	70-100	A	5	4.40-5.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Upper	60-69	B	4	3.50-4.49
2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Lower	50-59	C	3	2.40-3.49
Third Class	45-49	D	2	1.50-2.39
Fail	40-44	E/F	1	0-1.49

# Nigeria

## Institutional Recognition / Accreditation

- Federal universities
- State universities
- Private universities
- Affiliations



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# The United Kingdom

## Higher Education

- Universities, university colleges, colleges of HE and FE colleges
- [Recognised bodies](#) / [listed bodies](#)
- Autonomous
- No centralised curriculum, but standards are monitored by QAA

# The United Kingdom

## Higher Education

- Certificate of Higher Education
- Diploma of Higher Education
- Bachelor degree – Honours and Ordinary
- Graduate Certificate and Graduate Diploma
- Postgraduate Certificate and Postgraduate Diploma
- Master's degree

# The United Kingdom

## Higher Education Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications



# The United Kingdom

## Grading

Class	Range of Marks
First	70-100%
Upper second	60-69%
Lower second	50-59%
Third	40-49%