



Excellence Scholarship Criteria

**Minimum academic grade
point average excellence**

High school and tertiary qualifications

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**When you apply to study at Griffith,
we will assess your qualifications and
let you know if you meet the criteria in
your admissions offer letter. You must:**

- be a citizen of a country other than Australia or New Zealand
- have a minimum GPA in previous studies of 5.5 or above on a seven-point scale or equivalent in the most recent recognised qualification
- satisfy all academic and English language entry requirements for your chosen undergraduate or postgraduate coursework program
- be a full-time student starting in 2024, 2025 or 2026

This excludes students enrolling in Higher Degree Research, non-award, Study Abroad Program, Masters Qualifying Program, MBA (program code 5670), Bachelor of Medical Science (1306, 1280, Hons 2099), Bachelor of Dental Health Science (1577, Hons 2126), Master of Dentistry (5703), Doctor of Medicine (5099), Master of Pharmacy (5661), Master of Speech Pathology (5706, 5567), Graduate Diploma of Flight Management (4188), English language programs at the Griffith English Language Institute, any programs that are only offered part time, and programs delivered offshore or onshore in collaboration with a partner organisation.



COUNTRY	HIGH SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS	
	High School Qualifications for Excellence	International Student Academic Excellence Scholarship (GPA 5.5 or equivalent)
A		
Algeria	Algerian Baccalaureate	Overall grade of 15.6 in the final-year results on the 20 point scale where 10 is a pass
Austria	Austrian Maturity Certificate	Grade average of 2.2 (on a reverse 5-point scale) in the final-year results
Australia	Year 12 Certificate	Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) 89
B		
Belgium	Belgian Upper Secondary School Certificate	Grade average of 15.8 in the final-year results
Bhutan	All India Senior School Certificate or Comparable Qualification (awarded by CBSE or CISCE)	An overall grade average of 82% in the best 4 academic subjects
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Matura or Secondary School Leaving Certificate	Average of final-year and Entrance Examination results of at least 3.8 on the 5 point scale where 2 is pass
Botswana	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Brunei	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Bulgaria	Bulgarian Diploma of Completed Secondary Education	Grade average of 4.8 in the final-year results on the 6 point scale where 3 is a pass
C		
Cameroon	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Canada	Alberta High School Diploma	Grade average of 78.9% using the best five Level 30 Provincial Diploma Exams
	Manitoba High School Graduation Diploma	Grade average of 78.9% using the best five Grade 12 subjects of course types: University based (40U, 42U) or Specialised (40S, 42S)
	Ontario Secondary School Diploma	Grade average of 78.9% in the best six University (U, 4U) and/or University/College (U/C, 4M) courses
	Other Provincial high school diploma	Grade average of 78.9% in the final-year results
China	GaoKao	Successful completion of the National College Entrance Examination (Gao Kao) with a minimum of 69% of the overall maximum score.

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Croatia	Matura or Secondary School Leaving Certificate	Average of final-year and Entrance Examination results of at least 3.7 on a 5 point scale where 2 is a pass
Cyprus	Greek Apolytirion (since 2000)	Overall grade of 15.6 in the final-year results on the 20 point scale where 10 is a pass
Czech Republic		Grade average of 2.2 in the final-year results (on a reverse 5-point scale where 4 is a pass).
D		
Denmark	Danish Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate (12-point scale) (Studentereksamen)	Final examination result of 10.4
	Danish Upper Secondary School Leaving Examinations (13-point scale) (Studentereksamen)	Final examination result of 10.1
E		
England	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Estonia	Estonia Secondary School Certificate	Grade average of 4.1 in the final-year results on the 5 point scale where 3 is a pass
European Baccalaureate	Diplôme du Baccalauréat Européen, Zeugnis der Europäischen Reifeprüfung, Diploma di LicenzeLiceale Europea, Europees Baccalaureaats Diploma	Overall grade of 78.9
F		
Falkland Islands	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Fiji	NZ University Bursaries Exam/ National Certificate of Educational Achievement Level 3 (NCEA 3)	Equivalent to Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) 89 with University Entrance
	Fiji Year 13 Certificate	Grade average of 76.7% in the best 4 subjects
Finland	Finnish Matriculation Certificate (Ylioppilastutkintodisttu)	Grade average of 4.9 in final-year results on 7 point scale where 2 is a pass.
France	French Baccalauréat	Successful completion and a grade average of 13.4 on the 20-point scale where 10 is a pass
French Polynesia	French Baccalauréat	Successful completion and a grade average of 13.4 on the 20-point scale where 10 is a pass

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G		
Gambia	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Germany	Senior High School (Abitur) or equivalent	Grade average of 2.2 in the final-year results (on a reverse 5-point scale where 4 is a pass)
Ghana	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Gibraltar	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Greece	Greek Apolytirion (since 2000)	Grade average of 15.6 in the final-year results on the 20 point scale where 9.5 is a pass
H		
Hong Kong	SAR GCE 'A' or HKALE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
	Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)	Aggregate score of 20 in the best 5 category A/B subjects
Hungary	Hungarian Maturity Certificate	Overall grade of 3.8 on the 5 point scale where 2 is a pass
I		
Iceland	Senior Secondary Matriculation Examination (Studentspróf)	Overall grade of 7.9 (10 point scale where 5 is a pass) in the final-year results
India	Indian School Certificate (ISC) academic stream awarded by CISCE Or All India Senior School Certificate academic stream awarded by CBSE	An overall grade average of 82% in the best 4 academic subjects including English and 3 best academic subjects (no other languages subjects).
Indonesia	Indonesia Secondary School Leaving Certificate (STTB SMA) (2013 onwards)	Grade average of 98 for final-year results
International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma	International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma	Successful completion with minimum aggregate score of 33

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Iran	Iran Pre-University Certificate or Iranian high school diploma from 2019	Grade average of 15.8 in the final-year results
Ireland, Republic of	Republic of Ireland Leaving Certificate (from 2017)	Grade average of 5.9 in the best five Higher, Ordinary or LCVP subjects
Ireland, Northern	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Israel	Israeli Teudat Bagrut	Grade average of 8.1 in the final-year results on the 10 point scale and 6 is a pass
Italy	Esame Di Stato (1999 onwards)	Successful completion with an overall mark of 83.2 on the 100 scale where 60 is a pass
J		
Jamaica	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Japan	Upper Secondary School Graduation Diploma	Grade average of 4.0 in final-year results on the 5 point scale where 3 is a pass
K		
Kenya	Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education	Grade average of 8.6 in the best 8 subjects
Korea, Republic of	Specialised high school diploma	Grade average of 3.8 in the final-year results (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1)
	Korean Republic College Scholastic Ability Test (CSAT) (from 2017 onwards)	A minimum overall grade of 355. The overall grade is calculated from the results in Korean Language, mathematics, science and social study areas. CSAT results must be accompanied by evidence of successful completion of senior secondary studies.
L		
Lebanon	Lebanese Baccalaureate	Overall grade of 15.6 in the final-year results
Lesotho	South African National Senior Certificate (2008 onwards)	Grade average of 5.8 in the best 5 subjects in final-year (excluding the subject 'Life Orientation' and 'Mathematics Third Paper')
Liechtenstein	Liechtenstein Maturitäts Zeugnis	Grade average of 5.2 in the final-year results on the 6 point scale where 4 is a pass
Lithuania	Lithuania Certificate of Maturity	Grade average of 7.9 in the final-year results on the 10 point scale where 4 is a pass
Luxembourg	Luxembourg Diplome De Fin D'etudes Secondaires	Grade average of 47.4 on the 60 point scale where 30 is a pass

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M		
Macau, SAR	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Malawi	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Malaysia	Malaysian Independent Chinese Secondary Schools Unified Examination Certificate	Aggregate score of 47: maximum 10 subjects (where A1=8, A2=7, B3=6, B4=5, B5=4, B6=3, C7=2, C8=1)
	STPM or GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Maldives	UCLES 'A' Levels/HSC	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Malta	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Mauritius	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Moldova	Moldova Diploma de Bacalaureat	Grade average of 7.8 in the final-year results results on the 10 point scale where 5 is a pass
Morocco	Moroccan Baccaalaureate	Overall grade of 15.6 in the final-year results on the 20 point scale where 10 is a pass
N		
Namibia	Namibia Senior Secondary Certificate (NSSC)	Grade average of 1.8 in the best 5 final-year results (on a reverse 4-point scale where 3 is a pass)
Netherlands	Diploma of Pre-University Education (VWO) Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs	Grade average of 7.2 in the final-year results
New Caledonia	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
	French Baccaaluréat	Successful completion and a grade average of 13.4
New Zealand	National Certificate of Educational Achievement Level 3 (NCEA 3)	Equivalent to Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) 89 with University Entrance

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Niger	French Baccalauréat	Successful completion and a grade average of 13.4
Nigeria	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
	West African General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Norway	Norwegian Certificate of Completion of Upper Secondary School Examinations	Grade average of 4.7 in the final-year results

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Pakistan	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
	Pakistani Higher Secondary School Certificate or Intermediate Certificate (Pre-Eng & Pre-Med Streams)	Grade average of 71 in the final-year results
Palau	Composite College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I Score) (from March 2016) and high school diploma	Composite SATI score of 1270 (Total of SAT-I: Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and SAT-I: Mathematics) PLUS completed high school diploma
	Enhanced ACT Assessment and high school diploma	Composite ACT score of 28 PLUS completed high school diploma
Philippines	K12 Grade 12 Senior High School Diploma in an Academic Track	Successful completion PLUS composite SAT I score of 1270
Poland	Polish Matriculation Certificate (1992 onwards)	Grade average of 4.8
	Polish Matura	Grade average of 70.4 in the best 3 extended level (Poziom Rozszerzony) subjects
Portugal	Portuguese Certificate of Secondary Education	Grade average of 15.8 in the final-year results

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Romania	Romanian Upper Secondary Leaving Certificate	Grade average of 7.9 in the final-year results
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S		
Scotland	Scottish Certificate of 6th Year Studies or Scottish Qualifications Certificate (SQC) Advanced Higher	Aggregate of 9 in the best 3 subjects A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1
Serbia and Montenegro	Matura or Secondary School Leaving Certificate	Average of final-year and Entrance Examination results of at least 3.8
Seychelles	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Sierre Leone	West African General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Singapore	Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) (Level H1=AS Level; Level H2=A Level)	Aggregate score of 9.0 in the best 3 H2 subjects and the best H1 subject. For H2 subjects, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1. For H1 subjects, the notional value is half of that assigned to H2 subjects.
Slovakia	Slovakian Maturita	Grade average of 2.2 in the final-year results (on a reverse 5-point scale)
Slovenia	Matura or Secondary School Leaving Certificate	Average of final-year and Entrance Examination results of at least 3.8
South Africa	South African National Senior Certificate (2008 onwards)	Grade average of 5.8 in the best 5 subjects in final-year (excluding the subject 'Life Orientation' and 'Mathematics Third Paper')
Spain	Spanish University Orientation Year	Grade average of 7.9
Sri Lanka	Sri Lankan General Certificate of Education	Grade average of 2.8 in the best 3 Advanced Level subjects (where A=4, B=3, C=2, S=1)
Sweden	Swedish Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate (2014 onwards)	Grade average of 3.3 in final-year results where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 and F=0
Switzerland	Swiss Cantonal Maturity Certificate or Cantonal Commercial Maturity Certificate	Grade average of 5.2 in final-year results
	Swiss Federal Maturity Certificate	Grade average of 5.1 (on a 6-point scale) OR 8.2 (10-point scale) OR 4.1 (5-point scale) in the best 11 subjects

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T		
Tanzania	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Thailand	Thailand Certificate of Secondary Education	Grade average of 82 or GPA 3.3 (on a 4-point scale) in final-year results
Tonga	National Certificate of Educational Achievement Level 3 (NCEA 3)	Equivalent to Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) 89 with University Entrance
Trinidad / Tobago	Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination (CAPE)	Aggregate score of 12 in a maximum of three 2-unit subjects
Tunisia	Tunisian Baccalaureate	Overall grade of 15.6 in the final-year results
U		
Uganda	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
United States of America	Composite College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I) Score and high school diploma	Composite SATI score of 1270 (Total of SAT-I: Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and SAT-I: Mathematics) PLUS completed high school diploma
	Enhanced ACT Assessment and high school diploma	Composite ACT score of 28 PLUS completed high school diploma
	Advanced Placement (AP) and high school diploma	Complete the College Board Advanced Placement Program with a minimum score of 15 PLUS completed high school diploma. A minimum of two and maximum of four APs will be aggregated.
V		
Vietnam	Upper Secondary Education Graduation Diploma (Bang Tot nghiep Trung hoc Pho thong)	Successful completion of Year 12 with an average of 9.2 in 4 academic subjects

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W		
Wales	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
West Indies	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Z		
Zambia	GCE 'A' Levels (from 2010 onwards)	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)
Zimbabwe	ZIMSEC 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 10.5 in the best 3 A Level or combination of A and AS Level subjects A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 (AS Levels are equivalent to half points, e.g. A=2.5)

Tertiary qualifications for applicants holding either:

- a completed recognised Bachelor or higher degree; or
- a minimum 1-year full time in a recognised graded tertiary qualification.

TERTIARY QUALIFICATIONS		
Grading scale (point scale)	Pass	International Student Academic Excellence Scholarship (GPA 5.5 or equivalent)
3	1	2.0
4	1	2.5
4	1.5	2.8
4	1.75	2.9
4	2	3.0
4	2.25	3.2
4	2.33	3.2
4.3	1	2.7
4.3	2	3.2
4.5	2	3.3
5	1	3.0
5	2	3.5
5	2.5	3.8
5	3	4.0
6	3	4.5
6	4	5.0
7	4	5.5
9	1	5.0

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9	2	5.5
10	3	6.5
10	4	7.0
10	5	7.5
10	6	8.0
11	5	7.0
16	7	11.5
18	9	13.5
20	9	14.5
20	10	15.0
20	11	15.5
20	12	16.0
30	18	24.0
40	24	32.0
100	33	66.6
100	35	68.0
100	39.5	69.7
100	40	70.0

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100	45	72.5
100	46	73.0
100	48	74.0
100	50	75.0
100	51	75.5
100	54	77.0
100	55	77.5
100	60	80.0
100	61	80.5
100	64	82.0
100	65	82.5
100	70	85.0
Reverse 3	2	1.5
Reverse 4	3	2.0
Reverse 5	4	2.5
Reverse 5	3	2.0