

# Poland

## **Educational Timeline**

- School year: September-June for secondary school, October-June for postsecondary school; Graduation certificates
  issued in June
- Primary School (*szkola podstawowa*) is six years, followed by lower secondary school (*gimnazjum*) which is three years in length, then upper secondary for three or four years depending on the program.

## **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. Maturity Certificates must be issued by a Central or Regional Examining Board (*Centralna* or *Okregowa Komisja Egzaminacyjna*).

Świadectwo dojrzalości liceum ogólnokształcącego Maturity Certificate of the General Secondary School Świadectwo dojrzałości liceum profilowanego Maturity Certificate of Specialized Secondary School Swiadectwo dojrzalosci Technikum Uzupelmiajace Maturity Certificate of a Complementary Technical Secondary School Swiadecto dojrzalosci Liceum Uzupelniajace Maturity Certificate of a Complementary Secondary School Świadectwo dojrzalości technikum Maturity Certificate of a Technical Secondary School Swiadectwo Ukonczenia Liceum Ogolnoksztalcacego Completion Certificate of a General Secondary School Swiadectwo Ukonczenia liceum profilowanego Completion Certificate of a Specialized Secondary School Świadectwo Ukończenia technikum Completion Certificate of a Technical Secondary School Swiadectwo Ukonczenia Technikum Uzupelniajace Completion Certificate of a Complementary Technical Secondary School Swiadectwo Ukonczenia Liceum Uzupelniajace Completion Certificate of a Complementary Secondary School

\*All documents must include the yearly academic report from all 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

Świadectwo ukończenia szkoły podstawowej Świadectwo ukończenia gimnazjum Świadectwo ukończenia zasadniczej skoly zawodowej Completion Certificate of Primary School Education Completion Certificate of a Lower Secondary School Completion Certificate of Basic Vocational School

## **GPA Calculation**

Calculate the cumulative high school GPA by converting the grades listed on the final year certificate to US equivalents and convert to quality points. Divide quality points by the total number of courses attempted. Converting line-by-line all grades listed on each year of the *Wyniki Klasyfikacl Koncowej* (Final Classification Results) is only necessary if the final certificate is not available.

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Description	Translation	Numeric Grade	US Grade	Quality Points	
Celujacy	Excellent	6	А	4	
Bardzo Dobry	Very Good	5	А	4	
Dobry	Good	4	В	3	
Dostatecsny	Satisfactory	3	С	2	
Mierny/Dopuszczający	Poor	2	D	1	lowest passing grade
Niedostateczny	Unsatisfactory	1	F	0	

#### Grading Scale (May not be all inclusive):

#### **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 his/her 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.

#### **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).

Uniwersytety Akademie Politechniki Wyzsze Szkoly Pedagogiczne Szkoly Morskie Panstwowe Wyzsze Szkoly Zawodowe Szkoly Wojskowe University Academy Technical University Pedagogical HEI Nautical School School of Higher Vocational Education Military School

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