

Mexico

Educational Timeline

- School year: August-May/June; Graduation occurs in May/June
- Primary School (*Escuela Primaria*) is six years, followed by three years of Lower Secondary School (*Secundaria General*) and three years of Upper Secondary School (*Educación Media Superior*)

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

Certificado de Bachillerato/Bachiller Certificado de Bachillerato Tecnológico Título de Professor/Maestro Certificate of High School Graduation Certificate of High School Graduation (Technological) Teacher's Diploma

- Document must include or accompany records of grades from all six semesters (three 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

Certificado de Educación Primaria Certificado de Educación Secundaria Certificate of Primary Education Certificate of Secondary Education

GPA Calculation

Determine the appropriate grading scale based on the minimum passing grade indicated on the *certificado*/transcript of grades. Calculate the cumulative high school GPA by converting line-by-line all grades listed on the *certificado* for all six semesters of upper-secondary school to US equivalents and convert to quality points. Divide quality points by the total number of courses attempted. If a *promedio general, promedio final,* or a *promedial general de aprovechamiento* (overall average) is provided on the *certificado* as an overall cumulative grade from six semesters of coursework, convert that average directly to a US equivalent and then to quality points.

Grading Scale (May not be all inclusive):

Minimum Passing Grade = 6							
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Excelente	Excellent	10.0	100	A+	4		
Muy Bien	Very Good	9.0-9.9	90-99	А	4		
Bien	Good	8.0-8.9	80-89	В	3		
Regular	Average	7.0-7.9	70-79	C+	2		
Suficiente	Sufficient	6.0-6.9	60-69	С	2	lowest passing grade	
No Suficiente	Insufficient	0.0-5.9	0-59	F	0		

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Minimum Passing Grade = 7

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 (e.g. *Certificado de Bachillerato Tecnológico*) 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 post-secondary 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).

Universidad	University
Centro Académico/Instituto de Estudios Superiores	Academy/Institute of Higher Education
Centro de Estudios Superiores/Tecnológicos	Center of Higher/Technical Education
Colegio/Instituto Universitario	University College/Institute
Colegio/Escuela Superior	College/Higher School
Instituto de Educación Superior	Institute of Higher Education
Instituto Tecnológico/Politécnico	Technological/Polytechnic Institute

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