

International Academic Merit Scholarship

Minimum academic grade point averages: High school & tertiary qualifications



Queensland Australia

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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. To be eligible you must:

- Be a citizen of a country other than Australia or New Zealand.
- Have a minimum GPA in previous studies of 4.5 on a 7 point scale or equivalent.
- Satisfy all academic and English language entry requirements for your chosen undergraduate or postgraduate coursework program.
- Be a full-time student starting in 2026 or 2027.

Excludes the following programs: Bachelor of Medical Science, Bachelor of Dental Health Science, Doctor of Medicine, Master of Dentistry, Master of Speech Pathology and Graduate Diploma of Flight Management.

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Country	High School Qualification	
	Qualification title	GPA 4.5 or equivalent
Argentina	Argentine Bachillerato	Grade average of 9.1 in the final year results
Australia	Year 12 Certificate	Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) 77
Austria	Austrian Maturity Certificate	Grade average of 3.0 (on a reverse 5-point scale) in the final-year results
Bangladesh	Bangladeshi Higher Secondary or Intermediate Certificate	Grade average of 4.4 in the final year results
Belgium	Belgian Upper Secondary School Certificate	Grade average of 12.9 in the final-year results
Bhutan	Bhutan Higher Secondary Education Certificate	Overall average of 67.5% in the best 5 academic subjects (2 languages and 3 academic subjects)excluding Internal Assessment
Botswana	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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)
Brazil	Brazilian Secondary School Leaving Certificate	Grade average of 9.3 in the final year results
Brunei	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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	Overall grade average of 64.4% using the best five Level 30 Provincial Diploma Exams
Canada	Manitoba Provincial High School Diploma	Overall grade average of 64.4% using the best five Level 30 Provincial Diploma Exams
Canada	Ontario Provincial High School Diploma	Grade average of 64.4% in the best six University (U,4U) and/or University/College (U/C, 4M) courses.
Canada	Other Provincial High School Diploma	Grade average of 64.4% in the final year results
Chile	Licencia de Education Media, Secundario	Final year grade of 6.6, PLUS an overall score on the Prueba de Apitud Academica (PAA) of 716-782
China	GaoKao	Successful completion of the National College Entrance Examination (Gao Kao) with a minimum of 62.5% of the overall maximum score
China	Peoples Republic of China Senior Middle School Graduation Certificate (Gao San)	Grade average of 72.5 in the final year results

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Colombia	Colombian Bachillerato	Final year grade of 91, PLUS an overall score on the National Aptitude Test of 350-400
Czech Republic	Czech Republic Maturita	Grade average of 3.1 in the final-year results (on a reverse 5-point scale)
Denmark	Danish Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate (12-point scale) (Studentereksamen)	Grade average of final year results of 6.1
Denmark	Danish Upper Secondary School Leaving Examinations (13-point scale) (Studentereksamen)	Grade average of final year results of 8.1
Ecuador	Ecuadorean Bachillerato	Grade average of 18.6 in the final year results
Egypt	Middle Eastern Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Shehadet al-zhanawiya)	Grade average of 85 in the final year results
England	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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)
European Baccalaureate	Diplôme du Baccalauréat European, Zeugnis der Europäischen Reifeprüfung, Diploma di LicenzeLiceale Europea, Europees Baccalaureaats Diploma	Overall grade of 64.4
Falkland Islands	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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) 77 with University Entrance
Fiji	Fiji Year 13 Certificate	Grade average of 55.7% in the best 4 subjects
Finland	Finnish Matriculation Examination Certificate (Ylioppilastutkintotodistu)	Grade average of 3.5 in the best 4 exam results
Finland	Finnish Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Lukion päästötodistus)	Overall grade average of 9.3 in the final year results
Finland	Finnish Vocational Upper Secondary Diploma (Ammatillinen perustukinto)	Overall grade average of 2.1 (on a 3-point scale) or 3.2 (on a 5-point scale)
France	French Baccaluréat	Successful completion and a grade average of 10.6
Germany	Senior High School (Abitur) or equivalent	Successful completion and Durchschnittsnote of 3.1 (on a reverse 5-point scale)
Ghana	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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)

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Ghana	West African General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level)	Aggregate of 4.5 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	Grade average of 12.6 in the final-year results
Greece	State University or General Entrance Examination	Overall score of 213
Hong Kong	SAR GCE ‘A’ or HKALE ‘A’ Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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	Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education(HKDSE)	Aggregate Score of 15 in the best 5 Category A/B/C subjects with a minimum of three A and C subjects
Hungary	Hungarian Maturity Certificate	Overall grade average of 2.9 in the final year results
Iceland	Senior Secondary Matriculation Examination (Studentspróf)	Overall grade of 6.5 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 67.5% in including English and 3 best academic subject (no other languages subjects)
India	State Board	An overall grade average of 67.5% in the best 4 academic subjects
Indonesia	Indonesia Secondary School Leaving Certificate (STTB SMA)	Grade average of 77.5 in the best 5 subjects
International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma	International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma	Successful completion with minimum aggregate score of 27
Iran	Iran Pre-University Certificate or Iranian High School Diploma	Grade average of 12.9 in the final year results
Ireland, Northern	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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)
Ireland, Republic of	Republic of Ireland Leaving Certificate	Grade average of 4.5 in the best five Higher, Ordinary or LCVP subjects
Israel	Israeli Teudat Bagrut	Grade average of 6.9 in the final-year results
Italy	Esame Di Stato	Successful completion with an overall mark of 71.5
Japan	Upper Secondary School Graduation Diploma	Grade average of 3.8 (out of 5) in final-year results

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Jordan	Middle Eastern Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Tawjihi)	Grade average of 85 in the final year results
Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan Certificate of Completed Secondary Education	Grade average of 4.7 in the best 8 subjects
Kenya	Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education	Grade average of 6.3 in the best 8 subjects
Korea, Republic of	Specialised High School Diploma	Grade average of 2.9 in the final year results (where A =5, B=4, C=3, D=2 and E=1)
Korea, Republic of	High School Diploma	Grade average of 4.6 in the final year results (where A =5, B=4, C=3, D=2 and E=1)
Korea, Republic of	Korean Republic College Scholastic Ability Test (CSAT)	A minimum overall grade of 324. 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
Kuwait	Middle Eastern Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Shahadat-al- thanawia-al- a’ama)	Grade average of 85 in the final year results
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Macau, SAR	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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 24- maximum 10 subjects. (Where A1=8, A2=7, B3=6, B4=5, B5=4, B6=3, C7=2, C8=1)
Malaysia	STPM or GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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 6.5 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	Aggregate of 6.5 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)
Mexico	Mexican Upper Secondary School Program (Bachillerato or Preparatria program)	Grade average of 9.4 in the final year results
Mongolia	Peoples Republic of China Senior Middle School Graduation Certificate	Grade average of 72.5 in the final year results
Mongolia	Certificate of Complete Secondary Education	Grade average of 4.8 in the final year results

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Nepal	School Leaving Certificate Examination awarded by National Examinations Board	Grade average of 2.9 in the final year results
Nepal	Nepalese Proficiency Certificate	Grade average of 93 in the final year results
Netherlands	Diploma of Pre-University Education (VWO) Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs	Grade average of 6.6 in the final-year results
Netherlands	Diploma of Higher General Secondary Education (HAVO) Hoger Algemeen Voortgezet Onderwijs	Grade average of 7.8 in the final-year results
New Caledonia	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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)
New Caledonia	French Baccalauréat	Successful completion and a grade average of 10.6
New Zealand	National Certificate of Educational Achievement Level 3 (NCEA 3)	Equivalent to Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) 77 with University Entrance
Nigeria	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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)
Nigeria	West African General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level)	Aggregate of 4.5 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 3.3 in the final-year results
Oman	Middle Eastern Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Thanawiya amma)	Grade average of 85 in the final year results
Pakistan	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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)
Pakistan	Pakistani Higher Secondary School Certificate or Intermediate Certificate (Pre-Eng & Pre-Med Streams)	Grade average of 55 in the final-year results
Pakistan	Pakistani Higher Secondary School Certificate or Intermediate Certificate (Humanities & Science Streams)	Grade average of 91 in the final-year results
Papua New Guinea	Papua New Guinea Higher School Certificate	Grade average 4.6 in the best 5 subjects (Where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1)
Peru	Peruvian Official Certificate of Secondary Education	Overall average of 18.7 in the final year results
Philippines	K12 Grade 12 Senior High School Diploma in an Academic Track	Successful completion PLUS composite SATI score of 1070

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Poland	Polish Matriculation Certificate	Grade average of 3.9 in the Matriculation examination subjects
Poland	Polish Matura	Grade average of 50.2 in the best 3 extended level (Poziom Rozszerzony) subjects
Portugal	Portuguese Certificate of Secondary Education	Grade average of 12.9 in the final year results
Qatar	Middle Eastern Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Tawjihiyya)	Grade average of 85 in the final year results
Saudi Arabia	Middle Eastern Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Tawjihiyah)	Grade average of 85 in the final year results
Scotland	Scottish Certificate of 6th Year Studies or Scottish Qualifications Certificate (SQC) Advanced Higher	Aggregate of 5 in the best 3 subjects A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1
Singapore	Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) (Level H1=AS Level; Level H2=A Level)	Aggregate score of 4.3 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.
Solomon Islands	Pacific Senior Secondary Certificate	Grade average of 1.7 (on a reverse 9-point scale) in the final year results
South Africa	South African National Senior Certificate	Grade average of 4.9 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 6.5
Spain	Spanish Secondary School Diploma	Grade average of 9.3 in the final year results
Sri Lanka	Sri Lankan General Certificate of Education	Grade average of 1.9 in the best 3 Advanced Level subjects (where A=4, B=3, C=2, S=1)
Sweden	Swedish Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate	Grade average of 2.2 in the 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 4.6 in final-year results
Switzerland	Swiss Federal Maturity Certificate	Grade average of 4.2 (on a 6-point scale) OR 6.4 (10-point scale) OR 3.2 (5-point scale) in the best 11 subjects
Taiwan	Senior High School	Grade average of 87.5 in the final year results
Taiwan	General Scholastic Aptitude Test (GSAT)	Total GSAT score from best 4 subjects of 37

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Thailand	Thailand Certificate of Secondary Education	Grade average of 60 or GPA 2.4 (on a 4.0 scale) in final year results
Thailand	Thailand Ordinary National Education Test (O-NET)	O-NET average of 47.5
Uganda	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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 Arab Emirates	Middle Eastern Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Tawjihiyya)	Grade average of 85 in the final year results
United States of America	Composite College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I) Score pre-March 2016) and High School Diploma	Composite SAT I score of 1530 (Total of SAT-I: Critical Reading, SAT-I: Mathematics and SAT-I: Writing) PLUS completed High School Diploma
United States of America	Composite College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I) Score and High School Diploma	Composite SATI score of 1040 (Total of SAT-I: Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and SAT-I: Mathematics) PLUS completed High School Diploma
United States of America	Enhanced ACT Assessment and High School Diploma	Composite ACT score of 23 PLUS completed High School Diploma
United States of America	Advanced Placement (AP) and High School Diploma	Complete the College Board Advanced Placement Program with a minimum score of 11 PLUS completed High School Diploma. A minimum of two and maximum of four APs will be aggregated
Vietnam	Upper Secondary Education Graduation Diploma (Bang Tot nghiep Trung hoc Pho thong	Successful completion of year 12 with an average of 8.0/10 in 4 academic subjects
Wales	GCE 'A' Levels	Aggregate of 6.5 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 6.5 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)

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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		
Grade Scale	Pass Mark	GPA 4.5 Equivalent
3	1	1.4
4	1	1.5
4	1.5	2
4	1.75	2.2
4	2	2.4
4	2.25	2.6
4	2.33	2.7
4.3	1	1.6
4.3	2	2.4
4.5	2	2.5
5	1	2.4
5	2	2.5
5	2.5	3
5	3	3.4
6	3	3.5
6	4	4.4
7	4	4.5
9	1	2.4

Tertiary Qualifications		
Grade Scale	Pass Mark	GPA 4.5 Equivalent
9	2	3.2
10	3	4.2
10	4	5
10	5	5.9
10	6	6.7
11	5	6
16	7	8.5
18	9	10.5
20	9	10.9
20	10	11.7
20	11	12.5
20	12	13.4
30	18	20
40	24	26.7
100	33	55.3
100	35	56.6
100	39.5	49.5
100	40	50

Tertiary Qualifications		
Grade Scale	Pass Mark	GPA 4.5 Equivalent
100	45	54.1
100	46	55
100	48	56.6
100	50	58.4
100	51	59.1
100	54	61.6
100	55	62.5
100	60	66.6
100	61	67.5
100	64	70
100	65	70.8
100	70	75
Reverse 3	2	1.8
Reverse 4	3	2.6
Reverse 5	4	3.5
Reverse 5	3	2.6