
International and mixed-record students

Considerations for submitting the UC application
with international records

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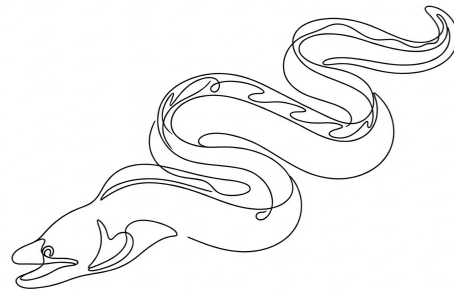
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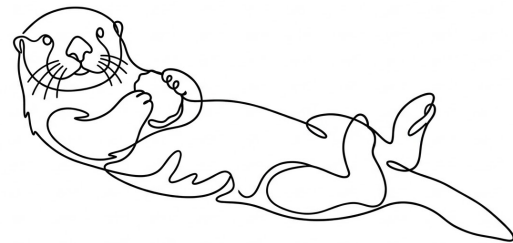
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Meeting A-G

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A-G

15 college-prep (A-G) courses

- A. History/Social Sciences: 2 years required
- B. English: 4 years required
- C. Mathematics: 3 years required, 4 recommended
- D. Science: 2 years required, 3 recommended
- E. Language other than English (LOTE): 2 years required
- F. Visual & Performing Arts: 1 year required
- G. College-prep elective: 1 year required

Considerations for international courses in A-G

- A. Home country history, additional history or social science (e.g., Economics) acceptable.
- B. Primary language of instruction. (e.g., French in France)**
- C. Mathematics: Integrated math acceptable. Three years of integrated courses required. Four years recommended**
- D. Science: Integrated science acceptable. Three years of integrated courses required.
- E. English or additional non-primary instruction language**
- F. Visual & Performing Arts: VPA style course or activity acceptable.
- G. College-prep elective



International A-G additional notes

Area A:

For students graduating from a U.S. high school, a U.S. history course, or one semester of U.S. history and one semester of civics/American government is required.

Area B:

For mixed curriculum students, ESL/ELD can be used for one year of Area B, excluding the senior year-level course.

Area C:

Integrated math courses taken in 7th and 8th grades are acceptable to meet requirements.

Area E:

Language of instruction, beginning in 6th grade, can be used to meet this requirement.



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International A-G Example

School	Grades Attended	Courses taken	UC Area	Courses taken	UC Area
Beijing No. 14 Middle School (China)	7&8	Chinese	Area E		
Beijing No. 8 High School (China)	9	Chinese	Area B	English	Area E
	10	Chinese	Area B	English	Area E
	11	Chinese	Area B	English	Area E
Mountain View High School (USA)	12	English*	Area B (not ESL/ELD)	Spanish	Area E

Area B and Area E are met using the Chinese and English courses. Area E can also be met using the in-person instruction in Chinese in grades 7&8.

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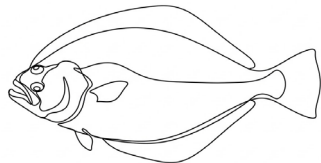
Country specific guidance

Country	Specific guidance
China	Include four years of coursework (1 year of lower middle + 3 years of upper middle school).
UK	Include external exams (GCSE, AS-Level, A-Level) with scores. Report in “Intl exams” on the UC application.
India	Include external exams (X, XII, CBSE, HSC, etc.) with scores. Report in “Intl exams” on the UC application.
International Baccalaureate (IB)	Include course grades.

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[Additional information by country](#)

English language proficiency

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“Students who have completed all of their secondary school/high school in a country where English is not the language of instruction, as well as students who have had fewer than three years of instruction in English, will need to demonstrate English proficiency.”

English language proficiency exams

TOEFL

- Minimum score 4.5
- Minimum score 80 (before January 2026)

TOEFL-IELTS

- Minimum score 6.5

DUOLINGO (DET)

- Minimum score 115

[Full details on demonstrating English proficiency for UC](#)



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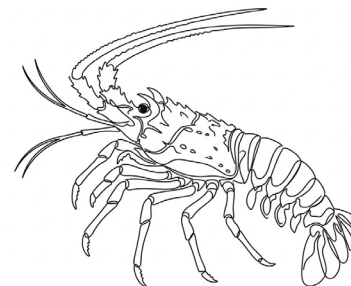
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English language proficiency example #1

School	Country	Dates Attended	Language of Instruction
Gymnasium Innsbruck	Austria	2022-2026	German

Does this student need to demonstrate English language proficiency?

Yes! There is less than three years of primary instruction in English.



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English language proficiency example #2

School	Country	Dates Attended	Language of Instruction
Ecole Jamon	France	2022-2023	French
Ventura High School	CA, USA	2023-2026	English

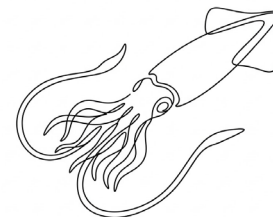
Does this student need to demonstrate English language proficiency?

No! There are three years with the primary language of instruction in English (Ventura High School 2023-2026). Years of instruction are counted through the time of graduation. In-progress Year 12 Area B is assumed it will be completed.

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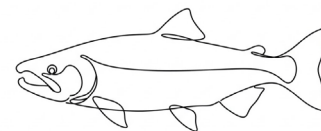


English language proficiency example #3

School	Country	Dates Attended	Language of Instruction
Escuela Secundaria de Monterrey	Mexico	2022-2024	Spanish
Shasta High School	CA, USA	2024-2026	English

Does this student need to demonstrate English language proficiency?

Yes! There is less than three years of primary instruction in English.



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English language proficiency example #4

School	Grades Attended	Courses taken	UC Area	Courses taken	UC Area
Beijing No. 14 Middle School (6-9)	7&8	Chinese	Area E		
Beijing No. 8 High School (7-12)	9	Chinese	Area B	English	Area E
	10	Chinese	Area B	English	Area E
	11	Chinese	Area B	English	Area E
Mountain View High School	12	English	Area B	Spanish	Area E

Does this student need to demonstrate English language proficiency?

Yes! There is less than three years of primary instruction in English, as the primary language of instruction for Beijing No. 14 is Chinese.



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Reporting academic history on the UC application

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Grading scales

No pass-along grades

US high schools may give “A-F” grade equivalencies, but applicants should submit the original scale/scores.

If admitted, official/original documents must be provided to the UC campus.

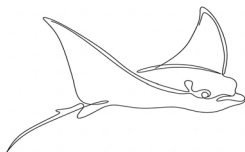
Report grades in original scale

- Select appropriate scale in UC application
- Provide additional info for scales not present

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What is this school's grading system? *

When selecting your high school's grading system, please choose the system used by your school prior to COVID-19 disruptions. Even if you received Pass/No Pass or Credit/No Credit grades during the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 academic years, you should still select your high school's pre-pandemic grading system such as ABCDF, 0-100 (U.S.) or 1-7 Int'l Bacc.

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| ☐ A B C D F | ☐ 0-100 (Saudi Arabia) |
| ☐ 0-100 (U.S.) | ☐ 0-100 (Taiwan) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Canada - AB, SK) | ☐ 0-100 (Turkey) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Canada - BC) | ☐ 0-100 (United Arab Emirates) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Canada - MB, NB, ON) | ☐ 0-15 (Germany) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Canada - NL, NS) | ☐ 0-20 (France) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Canada - PE) | ☐ 0.0-4.0 (United Arab Emirates) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Canada - QC) | ☐ 1-10 (Mexico) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Canada - YT) | ☐ 1-5 (Turkey) |
| ☐ 0-100 (China) | ☐ 1-7 Int'l Bacc |
| ☐ 0-100 (India) | ☐ 1-9 (U.K.) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Korea) | ☐ A*-E, U (U.K.) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Mexico) | ☐ Sehr Gut, Gut... (Germany) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Pakistan) | ☐ Su, Wu, Mi... (Korea) |
| ☐ 0-100 (Philippines) | ☐ Other |

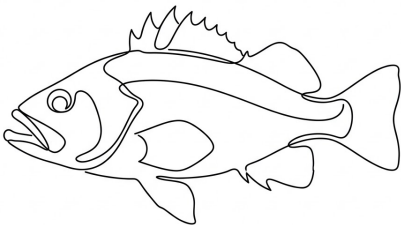
Additional grade reporting notes

Course repeats

All attempted courses and repeated grades should be submitted in the UC application.

Grade repeats

Applicants who repeat grades (e.g., completed year 10 in China and was placed into year 10 upon transferring to a US/CA high school), should report grades from both years under year 10.



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Reporting exams

Report international exams under Test Scores

- Select appropriate exam and grading scale in the UC application
- Provide additional info for scales not present

Commonly reported exams

- GCSE/ AS-Level/ A-Level
- India Standard X & XII exams
- International Baccalaureate



Test scores

International exams

Students whose educational system includes one or more external exams must report completed and planned or predicted exam results on this page. External exams include GCSE/IGCSE/O-levels, GCE A-levels, Standard Board exams from India, etc.

Do you have any international exams to report? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

India Year X

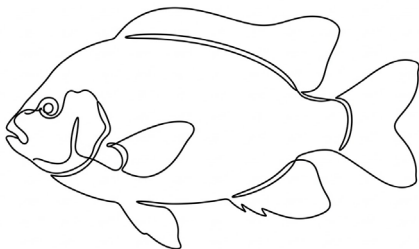
Grade scale: 0-100

Date taken	Exam Board	Subject	Score
03/2024	Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)	MATHEMATICS	75

Additional Comments

Report curriculum information for application readers

- Unique curriculum
- Unique grading scales
- Lack of access to honors courses
- Gap in education due to circumstances
- Repeat of grade



Additional comments

If there's anything else you want us to know about your academic history, you can do so in the space below. But remember, you should use this space only if you want to describe anything that you have not had the opportunity to include elsewhere in this section (for example: a break in attendance, poor grades in a particular course or year, specific information about your school environment or policies that affect your academic record or choices for classes).

International applicants: If you selected Other as your school's grading system, please explain the grading system here.

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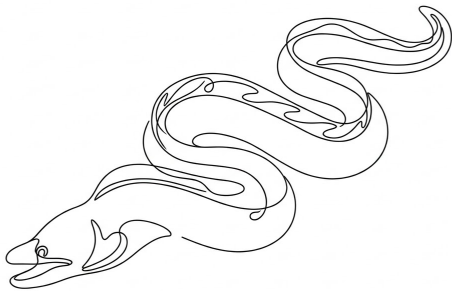
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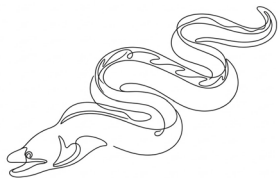
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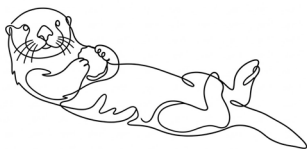
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California marine species



CA Moray Eel (*Gymnothorax mordax*)



Sea Otter (*Enhydra lutris*)



CA Sea lion (*Zalophus californianus*)



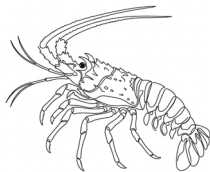
Dungeness crab
(*Metacarcinus magister*)



Gray Whale (*Eschrichtius robustus*)



CA Halibut (*Paralichthys californicus*)



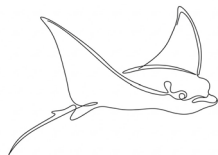
CA Spiny Lobster (*Panulirus interruptus*)



CA Market Squid (*Doryteuthis opalescens*)



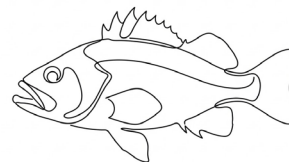
Coho Salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*)



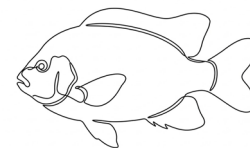
CA Bat Ray (*Myliobatis californica*)



Mahi-Mahi (*Coryphaena hippurus*)



Lingcod (*Ophiodon elongatus*)



Garibaldi (*Hypsypops rubicundus*)