

Office of Graduate Admissions



U.S. Bachelor's Degree Equivalency Table

Angola	Costa Rica	India	Lithuania	Russia
Argentina	Denmark	Indonesia	Malaysia	Saudi Arabia
Australia	Ecuador	Iran	Mexico	Singapore
Austria	Egypt	Iraq	Moldova	South Africa
Bahamas	El Salvador	Israel	Myanmar (Burma)	South Korea
Bahrain	Estonia	Italy	Nepal	Spain
Bangladesh	Finland	Ivory Coast	New Zealand	Sri Lanka
Belarus	France	Jamaica	Nicaragua	Switzerland
Belgium	Georgia Republic	Japan	Nigeria	Taiwan
Bolivia	Germany	Jordan	Pakistan	Thailand
Brazil	Ghana	Kazakhstan	Panama	Turkey
Bulgaria	Greece	Kenya	Peru	Ukraine
Canada	Guatemala	Kuwait	Philippines	United Arab Emirates
Chile	Haiti	Kyrgyzstan	Poland	United Kingdom (except Scotland)
China	Honduras	Latvia	Qatar	United Kingdom (Scotland)
Colombia	Hong Kong	Lebanon	Romania	Vietnam

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Three-Year Degrees

In the U.S. educational system, bachelor's degree recipients have 16 years of formal education — 12 years of elementary and secondary education plus 4 years of post-secondary study. A bachelor or equivalent degree, as determined by the U.S. Department of Education, normally requires at least 4 but not more than 5 years of full-time equivalent college-level work.

LSU will only consider three-year bachelor's degrees equivalent to U.S. bachelor degree if the country of the degree awarding institution is part of the Bologna system, and only if degree was granted after 2012 (the official date of full Bologna agreement implementation).

Please refer to the [list of comparable bachelor degree equivalencies by county of origin](#).

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Country of Origin	U.S. Bachelor s Degree Equivalency	Documents Required
Angola	Completion of five-year Licenciado (Licentiate), or three-year Bacharelato + one year of a Licenciado (Licentiate), or five-year Professor de Ensino Secundario	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Argentina	Bachiller Superior, Licenciado or Titulo (5-7 years)	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Australia	Completion of four-year Honours Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Ordinary/Pass Bachelor's Degree + one-year Bachelor's Degree with Honours, or three-year Ordinary/Pass Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Austria	Completion of three-year Bakkalaureaus/Bakkalaurea Degree + one year of a Magister Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Bahamas	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Bahrain	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Bangladesh	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or two-year Bachelor's Degree + two-years of a Master's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Statement of Marks for each year of study
Belarus	Completion of Дыплом аб Вышэйшай адукацыі (Diploma of Higher Education/Diploma Specialist), or Дыплом бакалўра (Diploma of Baccalaureate/Diplom Bakalaura)	Diploma Certificate and Dadatak da diploma/Vypiska z zalikovaj knizhki/Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Belgium	Completion of three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Bolivia	Licenciado/ Licenciatura; Experto en Educacion; Maestro(a) or Magister; Certificado de Egreso; Bachillerato (Social Sciences or Economics); Tecnico Superior (Higher Technician, after at least 4 years); Professional Titles (after at least 4 years of study).	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Brazil	Completion of four- to five-year Licenciado/Licenciatura, Bacharelado, or Titulo Profissional	Degree Certificate and Historico Escolar/Transcript
Bulgaria	Completion of Bachelor/Bakalavr (Бакалавър)	Degree Certificate (бакалавър) and Transcript (Приложение Към диплом/Prilozhenie Kŭm diplom). As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.

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Canada: Alberta	Honours Bachelor's Degree or General Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: British Columbia	Four- or five-year Bachelor's Degree (sometimes called Honours or Advanced)	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Manitoba	Honours Bachelor's Degree, Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Law LLB	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: New Brunswick	Honours Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + Bachelor of Law, or Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Newfoundland & Labrador	Bachelor's degree	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Northwest Territory	No accredited universities	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Nova Scotia	Four-year Bachelor's Degree/Baccalaureat, or a three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Nunavut	No accredited universities that issue bachelor's equivalent work	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Ontario	Four-year Bachelor's Degree, or Honours Bachelor's Degree	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Prince Edward Island	Bachelor's Degree (pass or honours)	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Quebec	Three-year Bachelor's Degree (or Baccalarium, Baccalaureat, Bachelier, or Bacheliere) + one year of a Master's Degree, or four-year Bachelor's Degree	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Saskatchewan	Saskatchewan: Four-year or Honours Bachelor's Degree	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Canada: Yukon	Yukon Territory: No accredited universities that issue bachelor's equivalent work	Transcript showing conferral of Degree
Chile	Completion of Licenciatura or Titulo Profesional	Degree Certificate and Certificado de Notas/Transcript
China	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript in original language and English. Both English and original language degree certificates and transcripts must be stamped by the issuing institution.
Colombia	Completion of Titulo de Licenciatura or Titulo Profesional	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Costa Rica	Completion of Bachiller Universitario	Degree Certificate and Transcript

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Denmark	Completion of Bachelorgraden/Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Ecuador	Completion of Licenciado	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Egypt	Completion of Baccalaureos, Licence, or Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
El Salvador	Licenciado	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Estonia	Completion of four-year Diplom or Bakalaureuskraad/Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Finland	Completion of Kandadaatti/Kandidat/Bachelor's Degree + 1 year of a Maisterin tutkinto/Magister/Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
France	Completion of three-year Licence + Maitrise, or two-year DEUG + one-year Licence + one-year Maitrise	Degree Certificate and Releve de Notes. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Georgia Republic	Completion of Bakalavis Kharishki/Bachelor's Degree, or Specialistis Diplomi, or Datskebiti Skolis Mastsavlebeli (Primary School Teacher), or Sashualo Skolis Mastsavlebeli (Secondary School Teacher)	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Germany	Completion of four-year Bakkalaureus (Bachelor's Degree), or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Diplom certificate and Scheine (certificate) for each course completed. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Ghana	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Greece	Completion of Ptychio (Diploma)	Diploma Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Guatemala	Titulo de Licenciado	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Haiti	Completion of four- or five-year Licence or Diplome, or three-year Licence or Diplome + one year of a Maitrise Degree	Degree Certificate and Releve de Notes
Honduras	Titulo de Licenciado	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Hong Kong	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
India	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Individual Marks Sheets. Provisional degree certificates and consolidated mark sheets (transcript) may be considered under special circumstances.

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Indonesia	Completion of a Diploma IV or Sarjana	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Iran	Bachelor degree or Karshenasi/Lisans	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Iraq	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Israel	Completion of 4-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Italy	Completion of Laurea di 1 livello (L) + one year of Laurea Specialista (LS)/Laurea Magistrale (LM)	Laurea Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Ivory Coast	Completion of two-year Diplôme Universitaire d'Etudes Générales (DEUG) + one-year Licence + one-year Maitrise	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Jamaica	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Japan	Completion of a Gakushi Shogo/Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Jordan	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Kazakhstan	Completion of Bakalavr Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Kenya	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Kuwait	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Kyrgyzstan	Completion of Diploma Bakalavra/диплом бакалавра (Russian)/бакалавр диплому (Kyrgyz)/Bachelor's Degree or Diplom Spetsialista	Official copies of the diploma booklet and Prilozhenie k Diploma/Transcript
Latvia	Completion of four-year Bakalaur's Degree or Diplom, or three-year Bakalaur's + one year of a Magistr's Degree	Degree/Diplom Certificate and Izraksts no studiju kartes/Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Lebanon	Licence or Bachelor degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Lithuania	Completion of Bakalauro Diploma (Baccalaureate Diploma) or Aukstojo Mokslo (Diploma of Higher Education)	Diploma Certificate and Priedas prie diploma/Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Malaysia	Completion of four-year Baccalaureate/Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Baccalaureate/Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Postgraduate Diploma or Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Mexico	Completion of four-year Licenciado or Titulo Profesional, or three-year Licenciatura or Titulo Profesional + one year of Titulo Especialista or Grado de Maestro/Maestría	Degree Certificate and Transcript

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Moldova	Completion of Diploma de Studii Superiore (Diploma of Higher Education), or Diploma de Licenta (Diploma of Licentiate)	Diploma Certificate and Certificat Academic/Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Myanmar (Burma)	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree + two years of a Master's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one-year Bachelor's (Honours) Degree + two years of a Master's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + three years of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Nepal	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Statement of Marks for each year of study
New Zealand	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year bachelor's Degree + Bachelor's Degree (Honours), or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Nicaragua	Titulo or Licenciatura	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Nigeria	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Pakistan	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Statement of Marks for each year of study
Panama	Licenciatura	Degree Certificate and Statement of Marks for each year of study
Peru	Completion of four-year Bachiller, or four-year Licenciado	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Philippines	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Poland	Completion of four-year Lincencjat, or Dyplom ukończenia wyższych studiów zawodowych (Diploma of Completion of Higher Professional Studies), or three-year Lincencjat + one year of a Dyplom Tytul Magister	Licenjat/Dyplom Certificate and a copy of all pages from the Indeks. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Qatar	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Romania	Completion of Diploma de Licenta	As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Russia	Completion of Диплом бакалавра (Diploma of Bakalavr), or Диплом специалиста (Diploma of Spetsialista)	Diploma Certificate and Prilozhenie k diplomu/Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Saudi Arabia	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Singapore	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree or Postgraduate Diploma	Degree/Diploma Certificate and Transcript

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South Africa	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year Honours Bachelor's Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year Postgraduate Diploma	Degree Certificate and Transcript
South Korea	Completion of Haksa / 4-year Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Spain	Completion of Titulo de Licenciado, or Titulo de Ingeniero, or Titulo de Arquitecto, or Titulo de Graduado	Degree Certificate and Certificacion Academica Oficial (CAO) or the Certificacion Academica Personal. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Sri Lanka	Completion of Bachelor's (Special) Degree, or three-year Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Switzerland	Completion of Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree, or four-year Lizentiat, Diplom, Licence, or Licenza, or three-year Lizentiat, Diplom, Licence, or Licenza + one-year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Taiwan	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
Thailand	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or two-year Associate's Degree + two-year Higher Diploma	Degree/Diploma Certificate and Transcript
Turkey	Completion of Lisans Derecesi/Diplomasi	Lisans Derecesi/Diplomasi Transcript and Degree Certificate. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Ukraine	Completion of Dypnom Bakalavra, or Dypnom Spetsialista	Dypnom Certificate and Dodatok do diploma/Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
United Arab Emirates	Completion of Bachelor's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript
United Kingdom (except Scotland)	Completion of four-year Bachelor's Degree, or three-year bachelor's degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
United Kingdom (Scotland)	Completion of Bachelor's (Honours) Degree, or Master's (Honours) Degree from an ancient university, or Bachelor's Degree + one year of a Master's Degree	Degree Certificate and Transcript. As an alternative to a traditional transcript, a Diploma Supplement may be submitted along with a Degree Certificate.
Vietnam	Completion of Bachelor's Degree (Bằng Tốt Nghiệp Đại Học)	Degree Certificate and Transcript

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