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NCUK International Year One Entry Requirements

This guide details the entry requirements for students applying to the NCUK International Year One (IYOne) programmes.

The entry requirements for a number of countries and qualifications are given in the table below. In addition to this, where a student has successfully completed the first year of a Bachelors degree in a relevant subject, from a recognised university, they will usually be acceptable for entry unless the level of a Bachelor degree in that country is below that of the UK.

Entry to IYOne Engineering:

For entry to IYOne Engineering, students should have passes in both Maths and Physics in the qualification they use for entry.

Entry to IYOne Law:

For entry to IYOne Law, students must be able to show English language ability at IELTS 6.0 by achieving NCUK EAP 'C' grade or holding an acceptable equivalent alternative English language qualification.

English Language Requirements:

The English language entry requirements are outlined in detail in a table at the end of this document. Students should present a form of English language certification as well as the academic qualifications outlined below.

NCUK can arrange for students to take a Password Knowledge test at the Delivery Centre, please contact Centresupport@ncuk.ac.uk

Age Requirements:

Applicants must normally be 18 years old at the start of the IYOne.

*Please note that for progression to courses at Leeds University Business School, additional entry qualifications are required, please see [here](#) for more details.

Country	Qualification	International Year One Entry Requirement
International	NCUK International Foundation Year (IFY)	Students must achieve two D grades in the NCUK IFY; grades must include a minimum of grade D in each of Mathematics and Physics for Engineering routes and a D in Maths for Accounting & Finance routes.
	A Levels	Two D Grades from a UK A-Level board; grades must include a minimum of grade D in each of Mathematics and Physics for Engineering routes. For Accounting & Finance routes IGCSE/GCSE grade C Maths is sufficient.
	International Baccalaureate	Successful completion with a minimum of 24 points (and award of the full Diploma).
	Bellerbys Foundation	An overall Pass (all modules with a mark of 40% or more)
	NCC Education Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies	Successful completion with an average mark of 50% or more.
	ONCAMPUS University Foundation Programme	Two D Grades in relevant subjects (including Maths and Physics for entry to Engineering routes)
	LRN Level 3 Diploma In Pre U Foundation Studies	Successful completion with an overall pass grade. In addition, English language proficiency evidence has to be provided and meet the requirements set out for IYOne programmes.
Algeria	Diplome de Technicien Supérieur	Successful completion with an average of 10/20 (with a grade of 10 or more in Maths plus a grade of 10 or more in Physics for Engineering routes).
Angola	Diploma de Ensino Pre Universitário	Successful completion with an average of 10/20 (with a grade of 10 or more in Maths plus a grade of 10 or more in Physics for Engineering routes).
Argentina	Titulo de Tecnico Superior / Tecnico Universitario	Successful completion with grades of 6 or better in all subjects
Australia	Year 12	Successful completion of one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Australian Capital Territory - Australian Capital Territory Year 12 o New South Wales - Higher School Certificate (HSC) o Northern Territory - Northern Territory Certificate of Education (NTCE) or Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (NTCET)

Country	Qualification	International Year One Entry Requirement
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Queensland - Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) o South Australia - South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) o Tasmania - Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE) o Victoria - Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) o Western Australia - Western Australia Certificate of Education (WACE)
Bangladesh	Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC)	Successful completion with an overall average of 70% or a GPA of 4.0 or more on a 5.0 scale (with a grade of 70% or more in Maths and English). Students entering via this route may have limited progression options.
Bangladesh	Bachelors Degree Year 1	Successful completion of the first year of a Bachelors degree in a relevant subject from a recognised university.
Bolivia	Titulo de Tecnico Universitario Superior	Successful completion with an average grade of 50% or above (with a grade of 50% or more in Maths, and English if studied)
Cameroon	Brevet de Technicien Supérieur	Successful completion with an overall Pass.
	Diplome Universitaire de Technologie	Successful completion with an overall Pass.
	A Levels	Two D grades; grades must include a minimum of grade D in each of Mathematics and Physics for Engineering routes. For Accounting and Finance routes IGCSE/GCSE grade C Maths is sufficient.
Canada	Newfoundland and Labrador - General High School Diploma	Successful completion - a mark of 65% in at least five acceptable subjects at grade 12.
	Nova Scotia - High School Completion Certificate	Successful completion - an average of 65% in at least five acceptable subjects at level 4 or 5.
	Nunavut - High School Graduation Diploma	Successful completion - an average of at least 50%.
	Alberta - General High School Diploma	Successful completion - an average of at least 65 per cent in five acceptable grade 12 courses.
	New Brunswick - High School Graduation Diploma	Successful completion - an average of at least 65 per cent in five acceptable subjects.

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	Northwestern Territories - General High School Diploma	Successful completion - an average of at least 65% in five acceptable grade 12 courses.
	Prince Edward Island - General High School Diploma	Successful completion - an average of at least 65% in five acceptable grade 12 courses.
	Saskatchewan - Secondary School Diploma	Successful completion - at least a 65% grade average in five acceptable subjects.
	Yukon - Senior Secondary Graduation Diploma	Successful completion - at least five B grades in acceptable grade 12 courses.
	British Columbia - Senior Secondary Graduation Diploma	Successful completion - at least five B grades must be awarded in acceptable grade 12 courses.
	Manitoba- High School Graduation Diploma	Successful completion - at least five credits at grade 12 in G F S or A courses.
	Ontario - Ontario Secondary School Diploma	Successful completion - if awarded at advanced level with six Grade 12 U U/C or M courses including grade 12 U English.
	Quebec - Diplome d' tudes Secondaires	Successful completion - with a mark of 60% in all relevant subjects.
Chile	Tecnico Universitario	Successful completion with an overall Pass grade.
China	China Foreign Affairs University Foundation	Successful completion of the programme with an average grade of 80% or more (with a grade of 70% or more in Maths).
	Undergraduate Degree Year 1	Successful completion of year 1 of an undergraduate degree from a recognised institution with an average mark of 70% or above.
	Shenzhen University's Foundation Programme	<p>To enter any of IYOne Business pathways, students have to achieve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ At least 16 credits from English language subjects with an average mark of 70% or above ○ At least 8 credits from Maths subjects with an average mark of 70% or above ○ At least 14 credits from Business and/or Economics subjects with an average mark of 70% or above <p>To enter IYOne Law pathway, students have to achieve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ At least 16 credits from English language with an average mark of 80% or above ○ At least 20 credits from other subjects of their choice with an average mark of 80% or above <p>To enter IYOne Engineering pathway, students have to achieve</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At least 16 credits from English language subjects with an average mark of 70% or above At least 8 credits from Maths subjects with an average mark of 70% or above At least 8 credits from Physics subjects with an average mark of 70% or above <p>At least 6 credits from other subjects with an average mark of 60% or above</p>
	Harbin Institute of Technology (HIT) International Program	<p>To enter any of IYOne Business pathways, students have to achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum grade of 50% (Pass) in the HIT International Program Students applying for Accounting & Finance route should have achieved a minimum of 60% for Maths and Calculus subjects. Students will have to provide additional external evidence for their English language level of a minimum grade equivalent to IELTS 5.5 (Password Knowledge test is sufficient).
	Harbin Institute of Technology (HIT) International Program (Year One)	<p>To enter any of IYOne Business pathways, students have to achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass HIT International Program Year 1 modules with the minimum average grade of 60% with no subject less than 50%. Students applying for Accounting & Finance route should have achieved a minimum of 70% for Maths. Students will have to provide additional external evidence for their English language level of a minimum grade equivalent to IELTS 5.5 (Password Knowledge test is sufficient).
	Guangdong University of Foreign Studies (GDUFS) Undergraduate Year One Program	<p>To enter any of IYOne Business pathways, students have to achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass GDUFS Undergraduate Year One Program with the minimum average grade of 70% with no subject less than 60%. Students will have to provide additional external evidence for their English language level of a minimum grade equivalent to IELTS 5.5 (Password Knowledge test is sufficient).

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Country	Qualification	International Year One Entry Requirement
	OYKE Foundation Programme	To enter any of IYOne Business pathways, students have to achieve: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Successfully complete the OYFE foundation programme with the minimum grade of D+(66%) in all academic subjects, including Maths. o Students will have to provide additional external evidence for their English language level of a minimum grade equivalent to IELTS 5.5
	Shanghai Continuing Education College (SCEC) Dazhuam	To enter NCUK IYOne Business programme, Business Management pathway, students have to achieve: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Pass SCEC Dazhuan (18-months) with the minimum grade of 70% in all academic subjects. o Students will have to provide additional external evidence for their English language level of a minimum grade equivalent to IELTS 5.5
Czech Republic	Maturitni Zkouska / Secondary School Leaving Certificate	Successful completion with grades of 4 or better in all subjects.
Ecuador	Bachelors Degree Year 1	Completion of the first year of a Bachelors degree with a GPA of 2.5 or 6.0/10.
Egypt	Bachelors Degree Year 1	Successful completion of the first year of a Bachelors degree in a relevant subject, from a recognised university
France	Diplome du Baccalaureat General	Successful completion with an average of 12/20 or more.
Germany	Abitur	Successful completion with an overall grade of 4 or better on a 1-6 scale (with a minimum grade of 4 in Maths and English on a 1-15 scale). Note: the overall qualification is graded 1-6 but individual subjects are graded 1-15, in both cases a grade of 1 denotes the top mark.
Guyana	Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination (CAPE)	Completion of three relevant units with grade III or better in all units.

Country	Qualification	International Year One Entry Requirement
	Associate Degree	Successful completion with an overall grade of 3.0 or more.
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Tak Ming College University Foundation Programme	An overall pass with a mark of 50% or more in all subjects.
	Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)	Minimum grades of 4 3 3 in relevant subjects (Liberal Studies may be included in these grades) plus 45% in Form 5 Maths.
	Associate Degree	Successful completion in a related subject with an overall average of Grade C (CGPA 2.0) with minimum Grade C in relevant modules (including Mathematics)..
Hungary	Secondary Education Graduation Certificate	Successful completion with an average grade of 4/5 (with a grade of 4 or more in Maths).
Iceland	Matriculation Certificate	Successful completion with an overall average of 5/10 or more (with a grade of 5 or more in Maths)
India	Higher Secondary Certificate / Standard 12	Successful completion with an average of 50% or more (including 50% or more in Maths). Note students entering the IYOne with an average of between 50-60% may have limited progression options.
Indonesia	Surat Tanda Tamat Belajar Sekolah Menengah Umum Tingkat Atas - SMA 3	Successful completion with an average grade of 75% or more (with a grade of 75% or more in Maths and English).
Iran	Pre-University Certificate (Peeshdanehshgah)	Successful completion with grades of 14/20 or more in all subjects.
Israel	Bagrut (Matriculation Certificate)	Successful completion with an average grade of 55% (with a grade of 60% or more in Maths and English)
Japan	Associate Degree (Jungakushi)	Successful completion with a GPA of 2.0 /grade C or above.
Kazakhstan	Bachelors Degree Year 1	Successful completion of the first year of a Bachelors degree in a relevant subject, from a recognised university.
Kyrgyz Republic	Junior Specialist Diploma	Successful completion with an overall pass grade.
Lebanon	Diplome de Technicien Sup rieur	Successful completion with an overall Pass grade.
Lithuania	Secondary School Leaving	Successful completion with an average grade of 8/10.

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	Certificate (Brandos Atestatas)	
Macau	Ensino Secundario Complementar	Successful completion with an overall Pass grade.
Malaysia	Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia (STPM)	Completion with a minimum of two grade D passes.
	Unified Exam Certificate (UEC)	Successful completion with 5 subjects at grade B6 or better (to normally include Maths and English).
	Matrikulasi	Successful completion with a GPA of 2.5/4 or more.
Morocco	Attestation du Baccalauréat	Successful completion with a minimum grade average 12/20, with no grade lower than 12.
	Brevet de Technicien Supérieur	Successful completion in accountancy or management with a minimum grade average 12/20, with no grade lower than 12.

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Myanmar	Global Assessment Certificate (GAC)	Successful completion with a GPA of 2.0 or more.
	King's Advanced Level Foundation Programme	<p>To enter any of IYOne Business pathways, students have to achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Minimum IELTS test result of 5.5 o Minimum D in Communication & Study Skills Maths o Minimum C for accounting & Finance route o Minimum D is sufficient for Business Management or Events Management route o Minimum D in Business Studies o Minimum D in Economics <p>To enter IYOne Law pathway, students have to achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Minimum IELTS test result of 6.0 o Minimum C in Communication & Study Skills o Minimum C in at least one of the elective subjects <p>To enter IYOne Engineering pathway, students have to achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Minimum IELTS test result of 5.5 o Minimum D in Communication & Study Skills o Minimum D in Maths o Minimum D in Physics o Minimum D in any other two subjects
Netherlands	Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO)	Successful completion with an average grade of 6 or more.
Nigeria	(Ordinary) National Diploma	Successful completion in a related subject with a GPA of 2.5 or better.
	Bridge House College University Foundation Programme	Successful completion with CCC or better in the three 'major' modules. Students must also have WAEC/GCSE Maths grade C or better.
	Wisdom House College	Successful completion with CCC or better in the three 'major' modules. Students must also have WAEC/GCSE Maths grade C or better.
Oman	2 Year Post School Diploma	Successful completion with an overall Pass grade.
Pakistan	Intermediate / Higher Secondary Certificate	Successful completion with an average grade of 75% or more (with a grade of 60% or more in Maths, and English if studied)
Peru	Bachelors Degree Year 1	Successful completion of the first year of a Bachelors degree in a relevant subject, from a recognised university.

Philippines	Bachelors Degree Year 1	Successful completion of the first year of a Bachelors degree in a relevant subject from one of the following universities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Asian Institute of Management o Ateneo de Manila University o De La Salle University o University of Santo Tomas o University of the Philippines
Poland	Matura	Successful completion with at least 3 extended subjects and an average of over 70%.
Romania	Diploma de Bacalaureat	Successful completion with an average grade of 6 or more.
Russia	Bachelors Degree Year 1	Successful completion of Attestat plus year 1 of a Bachelors degree.
Rwanda	Baccalaur at / Diplome de Bachelier	Successful completion with pass grades in all subjects.
Serbia	Diploma o steenom srednem obrazovanju (Diploma of Completed Secondary Education)	Successful completion with grades of 6 or more in all subjects.
Singapore	Polytechnic Diploma	Successful completion with a GPA of 1.5 or more.
Singapore	Singapore/Cambridge A Levels	Two D Grades; grades must include a minimum of grade D in each of Mathematics and Physics for Engineering routes. For Accounting and Finance routes IGCSE/GCSE grade C Maths is sufficient.
South Africa	National Senior School Certificate (Awarded by State or IEB)	Successful completion with at least five subjects at 60% or better (to normally include Maths and English).
South Korea	Global Education Centre – Foundation Programme	Successful completion with an overall average of 70%.
Spain	Titulo de Bachiller	Successful completion with an overall average of 5 or more.
Sri Lanka	Sri Lankan A Levels	Two S Grades; grades must include a minimum of grade S in each of Mathematics and Physics for Engineering routes. For Accounting and Finance routes IGCSE/GCSE grade C Maths is sufficient.
	APIIT Sri Lanka programme in Business Foundation	For entry to NCUK IYOne Business programme on the following conditions: Students will have to provide additional external evidence for their English language level of a minimum grade equivalent to IELTS 5.5 (Password Knowledge test is sufficient)

		<p>Gain a minimum grade B (55%) in Business Mathematics for Business Management route and a minimum grade of B + (65%) in Business Mathematics for Accounting & Finance route.</p> <p>Pass APIIT Foundation programme with the average grade of min 60%</p>
	APIIT Sri Lanka programme in Law Foundation	<p>For entry to NCUK IYOne Law programme on the following conditions: Students will have to provide additional external evidence for their English language level of a minimum grade equivalent to IELTS 6 (Password Knowledge test is sufficient)</p> <p>Gain a minimum grade C (50%) in all three Legal modules (Legal Systems & History, Legal Methods, Legal Skills & Critical thinking)</p> <p>Pass APIIT Foundation programme with min 60%</p>
Sweden	Slutbetyg Från Gynasieskola (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate)	Successful completion with a grade C or better in all subjects.
Taiwan	High School Leaving Certificate	Senior High School Leaving Certificate with 70% average, including minimum HS Year 2 Maths grade of 60%; or Completion of High School PLUS evidence of a year's further study (e.g. towards Junior college Diploma/Technical College/Institute of Polytechnic Diploma/Senior Vocational High School Leaving Certificate with pass grade (60%), including Maths.
Tanzania	Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education (ACSEE)	Two D Grades; grades must include a minimum of grade D in each of Mathematics and Physics for Engineering routes. For Accounting and Finance routes IGCSE/GCSE grade C Maths is sufficient.
Thailand	Certificate of Secondary Education / MAW 6	Successful completion with an overall grade of 2.75 or better in all relevant subjects.
Tunisia	Baccalaureat	Successful completion with a minimum grade average 12/20, with no grade lower than 12 (must include Maths).
	Brevet de Technicien Supérieur (BTS)	Successful completion with a minimum grade average 12/20, with no grade lower than 12 (must include Maths).
Turkey	State High School Diploma (Devlet Lise Diploması)	Successful completion with an overall grade of 3.5 (or 60%) or better in all relevant subjects.

Uganda	Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE)	Successful completion with grades of B or better in all subjects.
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United States	ACT	Successful completion of a High School Diploma with a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) Plus ACT with an overall score of 24.
	AP	Successful completion of a High School Diploma with a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) Plus APs with two subjects at grade 3 and one subject at grade 4.
	SATs	Successful completion of a High School Diploma with a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent). Plus SATs with an overall score of 1220 and scores of 610 in each of the two tests.
Vietnam	Upper Secondary School Graduation Diploma (Year 12)	Successful completion with an overall average of 7.5 or more. Students entering via this route may have limited progression options.
Zimbabwe	A levels	Two D Grades; grades must include a minimum of grade D in each of Mathematics and Physics for Engineering routes. For Accounting and Finance routes O Level grade C Maths is sufficient.

English Language Requirements

Below are the English Language entry requirements for NCUK qualifications. NCUK accepts a variety of qualifications for progression onto its qualifications and you can use these tables to determine if your qualifications match NCUK's requirements. The minimum accepted English Language grades for our qualifications are displayed in the table 1. Note that normally where a test gives a grade for each skill we would expect each skill to be no more than half an IELTS point below the overall entry requirement. For example, for students entering IFY we ask for an overall IELTS 5.0, we would also expect all skill grades to be IELTS 4.5 or above.

Table 1

Minimum Scores									
Qualification	NCUK EAP	Password	IELTS	TOEFL IBT	PTE Academic	OTE (Oxford Test of English)	Duolingo	Linguaskill	LanguageCert International ESOL ¹
International Foundation Year	E (no skill less than a E)	5	5	35	36	100	75	153	B1
International Year One in Business International Year One in Engineering	D (no skills less than a D)	5.5	5.5	46	42	111	85	160	B2
International Year One in Law	C (no skills less than a C)	6	6	60	50	126	95	169	B2
Master's Preparation Enhanced	E (no skills less than a E)	5	5	35	36	100	75	153	B1
Master's Preparation Master's Pre-Sessional	D (no skills less than a D)	5.5	5.5	46	42	111	85	160	B2

¹ Students should have completed both the Written Exam (including Listening, Reading and Writing sections) and Spoken Exam at B1 level (or higher) and achieved a Pass overall and no element less than 33. The test should have been completed no more than two years before the start day of IFY course.

Table 2 Comparison of accepted language tests results

NCUK EAP		Password	IELTS	TOEFL IBT	PTE Academic	Duolingo	Linguaskill	Skills for English	LanguageCert International ESOL2	CEFR
Percentage	Grade									
			9.0	118 - 120	86+	155 - 160		C2 Pass	C2	C2
			8.5	115 - 117	83 - 85	145 - 150		C2 Pass	C2	C2
			8.0	110 - 114	79 - 82	135 - 140		C1 Pass	C1	C1
80%+	A*	Password Plus	7.5	102 - 109	73 - 78	125 - 130		C1 Pass	C1	C1
70 - 79%+	A	7.0	7.0	94 - 101	65 - 72	115 - 120	180+	C1 Pass	C1	C1
60 - 69%+	B	6.5	6.5	79 - 93	58 - 64	105 - 110	174-179	B2 Pass	B2	B2
50 - 59%+	C	6.0	6.0	60 - 78	50 - 57	95 - 100	167-173	B2 Pass	B2	B2
40 - 49%+	D	5.5	5.5	46 - 59	42 - 49	85 - 90	160-166	B2 Pass	B2	B2
35 - 39%+	E	5.0	5.0	35 - 45	36 - 41	75 - 80	150-159	B1 Pass	B1	B1
<35%	U	4.5	4.5	32 - 34	30 - 35	65 - 70	140-149	B1 Pass	B1	B1

If the students have certificates of the tests not included in the tables, please contact NCUK for more information and guidance.

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A portrait of Danial Haider Tabassum, a man with a beard and mustache, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and blue tie. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

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