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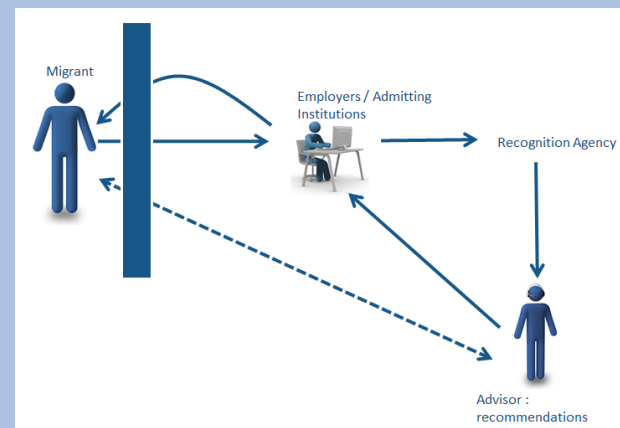
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What we do: service contract









UK NARIC Service Model incorporates the following strands:

- Provision of advisory and up-to-date **information service** on international education systems
- the **recognition** of overseas qualification
- the identification of **fraudulent documents**



UK NARIC publish Crown Copyright **world-leading databases** on global education systems and promote British education system abroad. UK NARIC develops **intellectual property** on behalf of the UK Government.

Services for organisations

		
Online Databases > UK NARIC's online databases are easy-to-use comprehensive guides that compare qualification from all over the world to the UK's frameworks.	Assessments Bundle > This premium service enables organisation to purchase a "assessment bundle". This allows you to buy in bulk an assessment service (e.g. Statements of Comparability or Certificates) of your choice.	Training & Conference > Designed to suit those involved with admissions and recruitment from overseas or advising migrants, refugees and asylum seekers.
		
Member Enquiry Support > Our team of experts can provide advice and opinion on qualifications and overseas education systems.	Counter Fraud > Our Counter Fraud Service will provide you with the knowledge you need to be able to make better judgments about whether a qualification is legitimate.	Data Service > UK NARIC data service is designed to provide raw data to power products and services as well as to aid intelligence gathering and report writing, to guide public policy or further your commercial interests.
		
International Grade Comparisons > This database is designed to help organisations identify the brightest and best candidates through comparing grades achieved from over 40 of the key feeder countries to the UK against A Levels and Bachelor degrees.	Bespoke Research > Our research and consultancy service are used by those wishing to know more about international qualification evaluation and quantitative and qualitative analyses of qualifications and skills.	One Off Enquiries > If you are assessing the suitability of a potential or current employee for a position within your organisation we can provide a statement confirming the comparable level of their overseas awards.

UK NARIC offers a range of services to organisations. Online databases of information relating to **global education systems** draw together all the **country-specific intelligence** and insight we gather.

Over 850 organisations use the UK NARIC service; over 200 are based overseas.

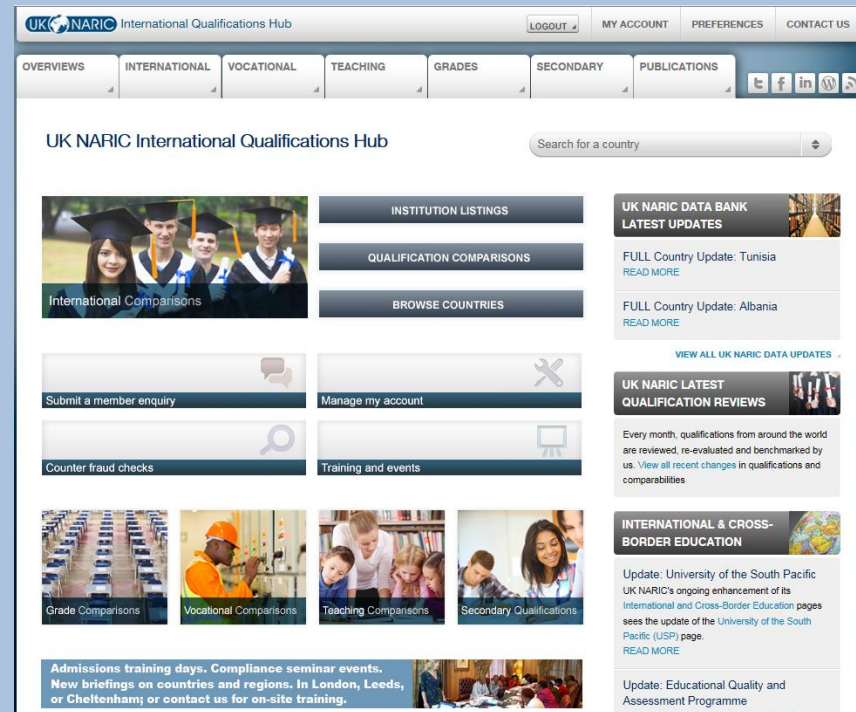
UK NARIC - a data driven service

UK NARIC's services for organisations are **driven by the data** collected and developed.


Five online data banks:

- International Comparisons
- Vocational Comparisons
- Teaching Comparisons
- International Secondary Qualifications
- International Grade Comparisons

Numerous online publications



UK NARIC online data banks

 International Qualifications Hub


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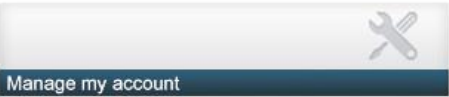
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Evaluation criteria

UK NARIC Services

UK NARIC Services are split into two Groups: the Information Services Group (ISG), dealing with enquiries from members and individuals and providing comparability assessments to individuals, and the Research, Data and Engagement Group (RDEG), dealing with research cases from members and individuals and being responsible for updating the NARIC databases. The Research and Data Officers are trained to record new qualifications and update comparability information as an ongoing process. All members of the ISG and RDEG receive full training on a range of qualification structures, evaluation and assessment criteria. Throughout their training, emphasis is placed on achieving an understanding of the role of UK NARIC within Europe and globally.

What we need to know

Applicants may require the recognition of overseas qualifications for one of a variety of purposes - employment, training, professional registration, or admission to undergraduate and postgraduate courses. The first task of our Information Officers is to ensure that the purpose of the request is fully understood. Before any assessment is made, we require copies of certificates and all other supporting documents relevant to the qualifications.

What is involved

- the identification of an overseas qualification in the context of its native education system
- the identification, where possible, of a comparable qualification within the UK, bearing in mind the purpose of the assessment
- determining whether any identified similarities are sufficient for comparability

UK NARIC Qualification Reviews

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MARCH 2018

UK NARIC has reviewed 30 qualifications from 20 countries, namely from [Algeria](#), [Antigua and Barbuda](#), [Barbados](#), [Canada](#), [Cuba](#), [Egypt](#), [El Salvador](#), [Hong Kong](#), [India](#), [Iraq](#), [Ireland](#), [Jamaica](#), [Japan](#), [the Netherlands](#), [Portugal](#), [Seychelles](#), [Thailand](#), [Trinidad and Tobago](#), [Turkey](#), and [Uruguay](#).

The review has resulted in changes to the level of comparability, or new assessments, for 25 qualifications, 12 of which are included on our databases. These are listed in the table below.

TABLE 1: QUALIFICATION LEVEL CHANGES, MARCH 2018

Product	Country	Qualification	Current level	New level agreed
International Comparisons	Barbados	Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS)	British Bachelor degree standard	Standard of a primary (or first) UK qualification in medicine / dentistry / veterinary science
International Comparisons	Ireland	Higher Doctorate	None	British Post-Doctoral standard

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This section covers areas of education that extend beyond the jurisdictions of national borders. This includes information on cross-border educational agreements, international awarding bodies, regional referencing frameworks, institutions which operate in multiple countries and qualifications that do not belong solely to the education system of any one country.

Bologna Declaration

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- [Bologna signatory countries](#)

Transnational Education (TNE)

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Institutions

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Ireland



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Spain

GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN

Seventeen autonomous communities: Andalusia; Aragon; Asturias; Canarias (Canary Islands); Cantabria; Castilla-La Mancha; Castilla y Leon; Cataluna (Castilian); Catalunya (Catalan); Catalonha (Aranese) [Catalonia]; Comunidad Valenciana (Castilian); Comunitat Valenciana (Valencian) [Valencian Community]; Extremadura; Galicia; Illes Balears (Balearic Islands); La Rioja; Madrid; Murcia; Navarra (Castilian); Nafarroa (Basque) [Navarre]; Pais Vasco (Castilian); and Euskadi (Basque) [Basque Country]. Two autonomous cities: Ceuta; and Melilla.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE(S)

Castilian Spanish.

OTHER LANGUAGE(S)

Catalan; Galician; and Basque.

POPULATION

48,146,134 (July 2015)

POPULATION (WORLD RANKING)

29 (July 2015)

AREA TOTAL

505,370 (km²)

AREA TOTAL (WORLD RANKING)

52





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(Vocational) Secondary

Semi-Skilled Worker

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Australia

GOVERNMENT TYPE

Federal parliamentary democracy and a Commonwealth realm.

GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN

Six states: New South Wales; Queensland; South Australia; Tasmania; Victoria; and Western Australia. Two territories: Australian Capital Territory; and Northern Territory.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE(S)

English.

POPULATION



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Welcome to IGC, the UK NARIC database that enables comparisons of grades from UK qualifications at upper secondary and undergraduate degree level to international counterpart awards, through the analysis of student performances.



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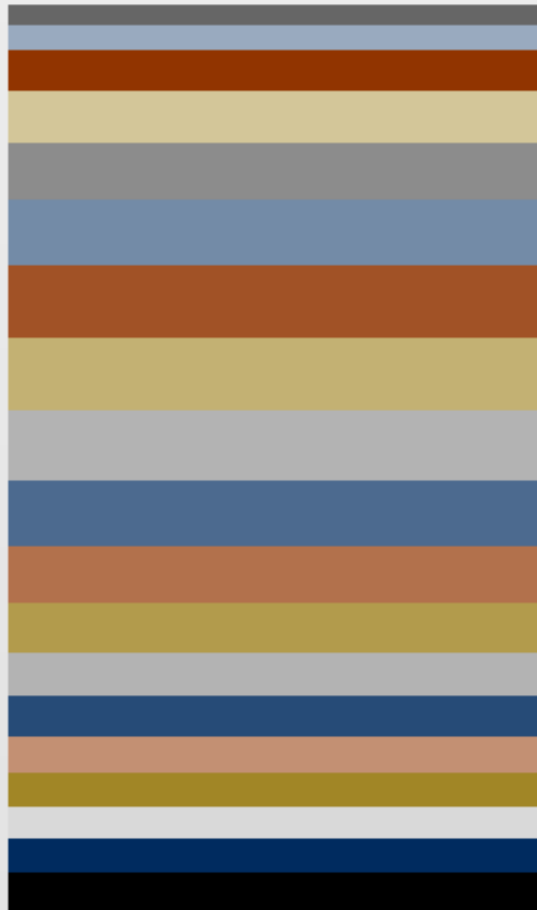
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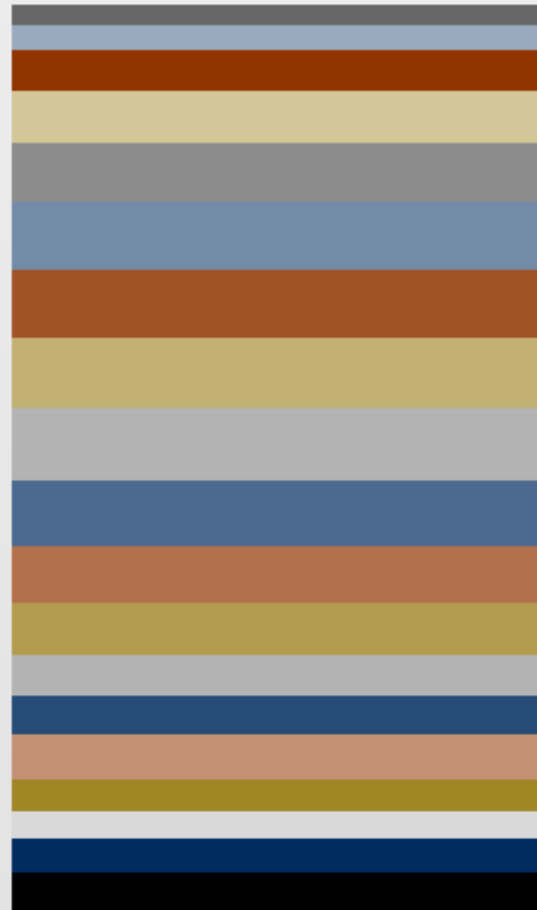
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



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







A LEVEL
2016



高考 (CHINESE UNIVERSITY /
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EXAMINATION (GAOKAO))
2016



	A*A*A*	2.16%
	A*A*A	2.97%
	A*AA	4.71%
	AAA	5.97%
	AAB	6.69%
	ABB	7.55%
	BBB	8.30%
	BBC	8.31%
	BCC	8.15%
	CCC	7.68%
	CCD	6.58%
	CDD	5.72%
	DDD	5.04%
	DDE	4.56%
	DEE	4.35%
	EEE	3.86%
	DE	3.47%
	EE	3.93%
	Fail	0.00%

	658-750 (Tier 1)	2.08%
	642-657 (Tier 1)	2.92%
	625-641 (Tier 1)	4.37%
	608-624 (Tier 1)	5.72%
	591-607 (Tier 1)	6.56%
	573-590 (Tier 1 / Tier 2)	7.61%
	556-572 (Tier 2)	7.53%
	538-555 (Tier 2)	7.67%
	518-537 (Tier 2 / Tier 3)	8.05%
	497-517 (Tier 3)	7.30%
	479-496 (Tier 3 / Below Tier 3)	6.12%
	459-478 (Below Tier 3)	5.65%
	440-458 (Below Tier 3)	4.58%
	420-439 (Below Tier 3)	4.24%
	390-419 (Below Tier 3)	4.97%
	360-389 (Below Tier 3)	3.63%
	320-359 (Below Tier 3)	3.03%
	200-319 (Below Tier 3)	3.56%
	0-199 (Fail)	4.41%

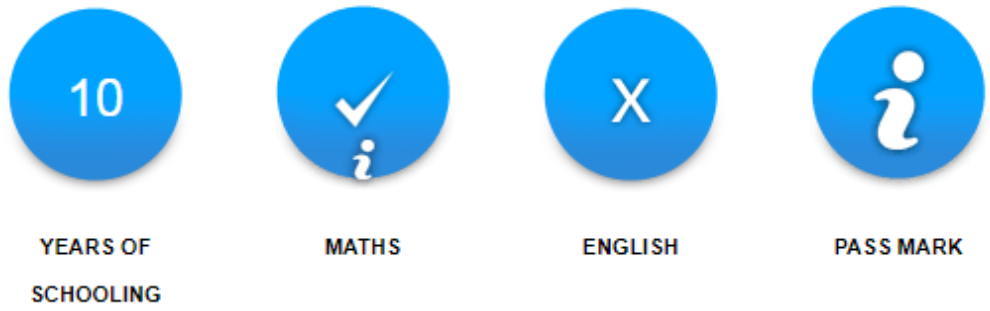


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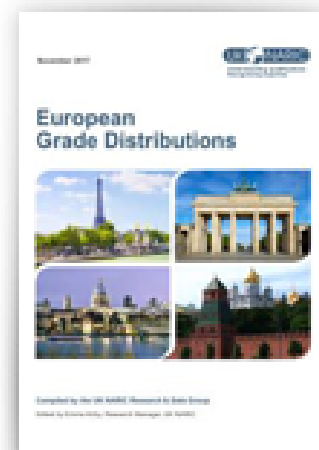
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BENCHMARKING THE NAZARBAYEV INTELLECTUAL SCHOOLS' GRADE 12 CERTIFICATE – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (JAN 2018)



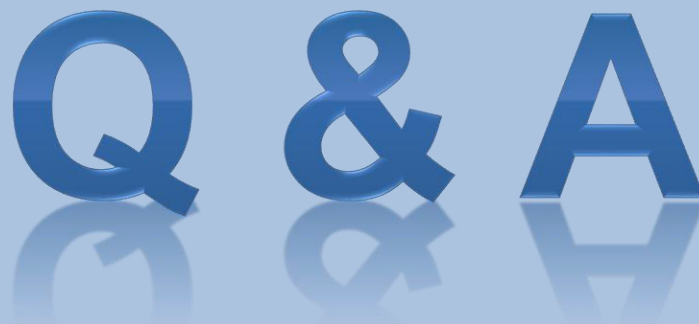
UK NARIC conducted an independent evaluation and benchmarking of a trilingual upper secondary school award in Kazakhstan, the NIS Grade 12 Certificate. Developed and assessed in collaboration with Cambridge Assessment International Education, the two-year programme teaches and assesses students in English, Russian and Kazakh. UK NARIC's findings are based on a desk-based review of curriculum, assessment and quality assurance and a site visit to two of the 19 purpose-built schools currently offering the programme.

EUROPEAN GRADE DISTRIBUTIONS



This publication presents in PDF form the data formerly held within the UK NARIC European Grade Distributions (EGD) database, which was last updated in 2016 and taken offline in Autumn 2017. European Grade Distributions compares pass grade data for 22 European countries in relation to performances in the United Kingdom, informed by empirical grade distribution data. It is a valuable resource for those looking to better understand the respective upper secondary and/or undergraduate grading systems in those countries.

Questions



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