



## International Admission Requirements for Undergraduate Programs

Nipissing University welcomes applications from qualified international students. Please view the admission requirements below or contact us at admissions@nipissingu.ca

The following qualifications are the minimum required for admission consideration to Nipissing University. Applicants are required to achieve a high overall standing in their studies and must include the appropriate <a href="mailto:program specific prerequisites">program specific prerequisites</a> depending on the degree program to which they have applied. Please note that possession of the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission to an applicant's program of interest and/or Nipissing University.

International applicants are not eligible for consideration under Nipissing University's Mature Student Admission Policy.

Applicants must send original official documents for admission consideration.

Applicants seeking admission on the basis of qualifications or certificates not mentioned below must submit original official documents to the Office of the Registrar for evaluation. Applicants seeking admission based on postsecondary studies outside of North America MUST have their transcripts/documents assessed by World Education Services (WES) <a href="www.wes.org/ca">www.wes.org/ca</a>. A WES Credential Evaluation Report, including a Course-By-Course Analysis, must be sent directly to Nipissing University. Applicants are responsible for the costs associated with the WES evaluation and any translation required. Note that it can take upwards of six weeks for WES to receive official transcripts from a foreign academic institution, after which point the WES evaluation can take a week or longer to complete. Applicants should begin the evaluation process as early as possible.

Certificates not written in English must be accompanied by original notarized English translations from recognized sources.

All Student Visa applicants from countries where the dominant language of instruction is other than English, are required to supply proof of proficiency in English. Acceptable proof of English proficiency can be found at <a href="https://academiccalendar.nipissingu.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=5&chapterid=410&loaduseredits=False#English">https://academiccalendar.nipissingu.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=5&chapterid=410&loaduseredits=False#English</a>.

Applicants will apply for admission through the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) at <a href="http://www.ouac.on.ca/ouac-105/">http://www.ouac.on.ca/ouac-105/</a>. Applications, fees and official required documents must be received by the Office of the Registrar by April 1 for September admissions consideration.

Once an admission offer has been made, it is the applicants' responsibility to obtain the necessary documents required to study in Canada. A Study Permit is required to study at a Canadian university for periods of six months or longer. Please note that citizens from some countries are also required to obtain a Temporary Resident Visa to enter Canada. For further information and application forms, international applicants should contact the nearest Canadian Embassy or Consular office or refer to the Citizenship and Immigration Canada website at <a href="http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/study.asp">http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/study.asp</a>.

## **Common Credentials**

**British Patterned Education** - *General Certificate of Education (GCE)* with satisfactory standing in at least five subjects, two of which must be at the advanced level, or satisfactory standing in at least four subjects, three of which must be at the advanced level. Two Advanced Supplementary/Advanced Subsidiary (AS) subjects are considered equal to one Advanced Level subject for admissions purposes. Advanced standing credit may be awarded for A level results. *Cambridge Pre-U Diploma* with a minimum of M3 in at least 3 principal subjects. Pre-U certificates may be presented in lieu of A levels. Pre-U Principal Subject courses may be considered for advanced standing credit.

CAPE (Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examinations) - The Caribbean Examinations (CXC) Caribbean Secondary School Education Certificate (CSEC) and the Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examinations (CAPE). The completed CAPE Diploma must include a total of at least six units with grades 1, 2 or 3. All program specific prerequisites must be included at either the CSEC/O Level or at the CAPE/A Level. CXC papers must be at the General Proficiency Level with grades 1, 2 or 3. Advanced Standing credit may be awarded for A level results. Completion of a preliminary year at the University of the West Indies, Barbados Community College or equivalent may also be considered in lieu of a CAPE diploma.

**French Patterned Education** - Baccalauréat/Baccalauréat Général/Diplôme de Bachelier de l'Enseignement du Second Degré/Option Internationale du Baccalauréat. Baccalauréat Technologique from France will also be considered if required subjects are included. Advanced standing may be awarded for subjects completed with a final co-efficient of 10 or higher.

**International Baccalaureate (IB)** - Completion of the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma with at least six subjects, including three at the higher level, with a minimum final grade total of 24. Advanced standing, to a maximum of 30 credits, may be granted for courses completed at the higher level. Applicants need to present courses appropriate to the proposed area of study as outlined on the Admissions Chart for IB Applicants at <a href="http://www.nipissingu.ca/departments/admissions-registrar/admission-requirements/Pages/IBAP-Students.aspx">http://www.nipissingu.ca/departments/admissions-registrar/admission-requirements/Pages/IBAP-Students.aspx</a>.

## **Country Specific Requirements**

Country Admission Requirements

Α

Afghanistan Baccalauria

Albania Certificate of Maturity/Secondary School Leaving Certificate

Algeria See French Patterned Education

Angola Ensino Geral Certificado de Habilitações (Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

Anguilla See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Antigua and Barbuda See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Argentina Bachillerato/Bachiller and University Entrance Exam (if written)

ArubaVWO Certificate (Gymnasium A/B and Atheneum A/B)ArmeniaAttestat o Srednem (Polnom) Obshcem Obrazovanii

Australia Australian Capital Territory

Year 12 Certificate and Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) rank/score, Tertiary

Entrance Statement (TES) or University Admission Index (UAI)

New South Wales

Higher School Certificate (HSC) and Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)

rank/score, Tertiary Entrance Rank (TER), Tertiary Entrance Score (TES) or Universities

Admission Index(UAI)
Northern Territory

Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (NTCET) and ATAR rank/score or

Tertiary Entrance Rank (TER)

Queensland

Senior Certificate and Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) rank/score or Tertiary

Education Statement showing Overall Position (OP) and Field Position (FP)

South Australia

South Australia Certificate of Education (SACE) and Australian Tertiary Admission Rank

(ATAR) rank/score or Tertiary Entrance Rank (TER)

Tasmania

Tasmania Certificate of Education (TCE) and Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)

rank/score or Tertiary Entrance Rank (TER)

Victoria

Victoria Certificate of Education (VCE) and ATAR rank/score

Western Australia

Western Australia Certificate of Education (WACE) and Australian Tertiary Admission

Rank (ATAR) rank/score or Tertiary Entrance Rank (TER)

Austria Reifeprufungzeugnis (Matura)/Reifezeugnis

Azerbaijan Attestat o Srednem (Polnom) Obshcem Obrazovanii

В

Bahamas General Certificate of Secondary Education (BGCSE) and GCE Advanced (A)

levels or equivalent; or

One year at the College of the Bahamas along with CSEC or BGCSE O Level

examinations; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies; or

See British Patterned Education

BahrainTawjahiya (Secondary School Certificate)BangladeshHigher Secondary Certificate (HSC)BarbadosSee British Patterned Education; or

One year at Barbados Community College; or Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Belarus Attestat o Srednem (Polnom) Obshcem Obrazovanii

Belgium Certificat d'Enseignment Secondaire Supérieur (Academic Stream)/Diploma Secundair

Onderwijs/Abschlusszeungnis der Oberstufe des Sekundarunterrichts

Belize See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education

Benin See French Patterned Education

Bermuda Secondary School Certificate (12 years) with SAT/ACT results. Applicants must

present high scores in SAT Reasoning or ACT (minimum composite score of 24) examinations including the Writing Test component. SAT written before March 2016 requires a minimum score of 500 in any part of the SAT Reasoning or SAT Subject Tests.

SAT written after March 2016 requires a minimum score of 1100; or

Bermuda Secondary School Certificate with post-graduate year(s) at Saltus Grammar

School; or

See British Patterned Education; or One year at Bermuda College

Bhutan Higher Secondary Education Certificate

Bolivia Bachillerato Humanistico

**Bosnia-Herzegovina** Matura(Secondary School Leaving Certificate) **Botswana** Botswana GCSE and GCE A Levels; or

First year standing at a recognized university; or

See British Patterned Education

Brazil Certificado de Conclusao de Ensino Medio (Segundo Grau before 1977) plus Vestibular

(University Entrance Exam)/ENEM (Middle Education National Examination)

British Virgin Islands See CAPE; or

**Brunei** 

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Brunei-Cambridge General Certificate of Education; or

See British Patterned Education

**Bulgaria** Diploma Za Zavurcheno Sredno Obrazovanie (Diploma of Completion of Secondary

Education)

Burkina Faso See French Patterned Education

Burma See Myanmar

Burundi Diplôme d'Etat (with Homologation) or Certificat des Humanités Completes (with

Homologation)

C

Cambodia Upper Secondary School Certificate of Completion (12 years of study)

Cameroon Cameroonian GCSE O Levels and GCE A Levels (see British Patterned Education); or

Cameroonian Baccalauréat

Cayman Islands See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

**Central African** See French Patterned Education

Republic

Chad See French Patterned Education

Licencia de Educación Media plus Prueba de Seleccion Universitaria (PSU)/Prueba de Chile

Aptitúd Academica (PAA) before December 2003

China, People's Senior High School Graduation Diploma (Upper Middle School) and Academic Proficiency Republic of (PRC)

Test/Upper Middle School Graduation (Hui Kao) and Chinese National University Entrance

Examinations (Gao Kao); or

First year completed at a recognized university First year standing at a recognized university

See French Patterned Education Comoros Congo, Republic of See French Patterned Education Congo. Democratic See French Patterned Education

Republic

Colombia

Costa Rica First year standing at a recognized university

Cote d'Ivoire See French Patterned Education

Croatia Matura (Secondary School Leaving Diploma)

Cuba Bachillerato/Pre-university course and national competitive exam

Curaco VWO Certificate (Gymnasium A/B and Atheneum A/B)

**Cyprus** Apolytirio Eniaiou of Lykeion; or

> Lise Bitirme Diplomasi; or Devlet Lise Diplomasi

**Czech Republic** Vysvědčeni o Maturitni Zkoušce/Maturita

D

Denmark Studentereksamen/Hojere Forberedelseseksamen/Hojere Handelseksamen/Hojere

Teknisk Eksamen

Diibouti See French Patterned Education

**Dominica** See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

**Dominican Republic** Bachillerato/Bachiller and University Entrance Exam (if written)

F

**East Timor** Ensino Secundario Diploma

**Ecuador** Bachillerato/Bachiller and University Entrance Exam (if written) Egypt Thanaweya A'ama (General Secondary Education Certificate) El Salvador Bachillerato General and University Entrance Exam (if written)

**Eritrea** First year standing at a recognized university

**Estonia** Gumnaasiumi Loputunnistus (Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

General Education Certificate Examination and Ethiopian Higher Education (University) **Ethiopia** 

**Entrance Examination** 

European The completed European Baccalaureate diploma. Prerequisite courses must be presented

**Baccalaureate** in the final year. F

Fiji Form 7/Year 13 Examinations (5 subjects)/University of the South Pacific Foundation Year

Finland Ylioppilastutkintotodistus/Studentexamensbetyg

France Baccalauréat/Baccalauréat Genéral/Diplôme de Bachelier de l'Enseignement du Second

Degré/Option Internationale du Baccalauréat. Baccalauréat Technologique will also be

considered if required subjects are included.

French Guiana See French Patterned Education

G

**Gabon** See French Patterned Education

Gambia West African Examinations Council Senior Secondary School Leaving Certificate. Please

submit all the information required on http://www.waecdirect.org/ including pin number with

your application; or

See British Patterned Education

Georgia Sashualo Skolis Atestati (Secondary School Certificate)
Germany Abitur/Zeugnis de Allgemeinen Hochschulreife//Reifezeugnis

Ghana Senior Secondary Certificate Examination (SSCE) administered by the West African

Examinations Council. Please submit all the information required on http://www.waecdirect.org/ including pin number with your application; or

See British Patterned Education

Gibraltar See British Patterned Education

**Greece** Apolytirio Geniko Lykeio

**Grenada** See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

**Guatemala** First year standing at a recognized university

Guinea Bacclaureat 2eme Partie and the University Entrance Exam

Guyana See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

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Haiti Baccalauréat 2e partie/Diplôme d'Enseignement Sécondaire; or

See French Patterned Education

**Honduras** First year standing at a recognized university

Hong Kong Successful completion of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)

Examinations with passes in the four core subjects plus 2 elective (Category A or C) subjects. Extended Math (Module 2) is required for all programs where Calculus is a

prerequisite; or

See British Patterned Education

**Hungary** Gimnaziumi Erettsegi Bizonyitvany (Matura)

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Iceland Studentsprof (from a Gymnasium)

India All India Senior School Certificate awarded by CBSE/Indian School Certificate (Awarded

by CISCE) (Year 12 State Board Exams with excellent results will also be considered

individually)

Indonesia Ijazah Sekolah Menegah Atas (Diploma awarded by Upper Secondary School) including

Ujian Nasional (National Exam) results

Iran Diploma Metevaseth and Pre-University Year Certificate

Iraq Sixth Form Baccalauréat

See British Patterned Education

Ireland, Republic of Ardteistiméireacht (Leaving Certificate) with passes in at least two higher level academic

subjects

Israel Bagrut/Mechina in which grades of seven or above in six subjects should be obtained

Italy Diploma di Superamento Dell'Esame di Stato

Ivory Coast See French Patterned Education

J

Jamaica See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Japan Kotogakko Sotsugyo Shomeisho (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

Jordon Tawjihi (General Secondary Education Certificate) (Grade 12 Comprehensive Secondary

Education)

Κ

**Kazakhstan** Attestat o Srednem (Polnom) Obshchem Obrazovanii **Kenya** Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE); or

See British Patterned Education

**Korea, North** First Year standing at a recognized university

Korea, South Immumgye Kodung Hakkyo Choeupchang (Academic Upper Secondary School

Certificate) and College Scholastic Ability Test

**Kuwait** Shahadat Al-Thanawiya-Al-A'ama (General Secondary School Certificate)

Kyrgyzstan Attestat o Srednem (Polnom) Obshchem Obrazovanii

L

**Laos** First year standing at a recognized university

Latvia Atestats par visparejo videjo izglitibu (Attestation of General Secondary Education)

**Lebanon** General Secondary Education Certificate; or

Baccalauréat II; or

First year standing at a recognized university

**Lesotho** First year standing at a recognized university; or

See British Patterned Education

Liberia Senior High School Certificate Examination administered by the West African

Examinations Council. Please submit all the information required on http://www.waecdirect.org/ including pin number with your application.

LibyaSecondary Education CertificateLiechtensteinLiechtenstein Maturazeugnis; or

Berufsmaturitatszeugnis

**Lithuania** Brandos Atestats (Maturity Certificate) **Luxembourg** Diplôme de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires

М

Macao Senior Secondary Certificate (Form 6/Senior Three); or

University of Macau's Pre-university program; or

See British Patterned Education, Taiwan, Portugal or USA

Macedonia Secondary School Leaving Diploma and the University Entrance Examinations

MadagascarSee French Patterned EducationMalawiSchool Certificate of Education; orSee British Patterned Education

Malaysia Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia/Sijil Tinggi PelajaranMalaysia (STPM) (Malaysian High

School Certificate) or Malaysian Independent Chinese Secondary School System (MICSS)

Unified Examination Certificate; or See British Patterned Education

Mali See French Patterned Education
Malta Matriculation Certificate; or

See British Patterned Education

Mauritania See French Patterned Education

Mauritius The Joint Examination for The School Certificate and The Higher School Certificate and

General Certificate of Education; or

French Baccalauréat: or

See British Patterned Education

Mexico Bachillerato

Moldova Diploma de Bacalaureat

Monaco Baccalaureat; or

Diplome de Bachelier de l'Enseignement du Second Degre

MongoliaCertificate of Complete Secondary EducationMontenegroMatura/Secondary School Leaving Certificate

Montserrat See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education

Morocco See French Patterned Education

Mozambique Certificado de Habilitacoes Literarias (Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

**Myanmar (Burma)** First year standing at a recognized university

Ν

Namibia Higher Namibian Senior Secondary Certificate from the National Examination Assessment

and Certification Board; or See British Patterned Education

Nepal Proficiency Certificate awarded by a recognized university/Higher Secondary Certificate at

Grade 12 level

Netherlands VWO-Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (Gyumnasium A/B and Atheneum A/B)

Certificate

New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Acheivement at Level 3 or higher and University

**Entrance Standard** 

Nicaragua First year standing at a recognized university

Niger See French Patterned Education

Nigeria Senior School Certificate Examination administered by the West African Examinations

Council. Please submit all the information required on http://www.waecdirect.org/ including

pin number with your application.

North Korea First Year standing at a recognized university

Norway Vitnemål Videregående Opplaering

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Oman Thanawiya Amma/General Certificate/ General Education Diploma

Ρ

PakistanIntermediate/Higher Secondary School CertificatePalestineFirst year standing at a recognized university

Panama Bachiller and University Entrance Exam (if written)

Papua New GuineaHigher School CertificateParaguayBachillerato/Bachiller

**Peru** First year standing at a recognized university **Philippines** Second year standing at a recognized university

Poland Matura/Swiadectwo Dojrzalosci

Portugal Diploma Nivel Secundario de Educacao/Diploma de 12 ano de escolaridad (Year 12

school certificate)/Certificado de fim de Estudos Secundarios

Puerto Rico See USA

Q

Qatar Thanawaya Aam Qatari (Qatari General Secondary Education Certificate)

Romania Diploma de Bacalaureat

Russian Federation Attestat o Srednem Obrazovanii (Certificate of Secondary Education)

Rwanda Certificat des Humanités

S

Saint Kitts and Nevis See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Saint Lucia See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Saint Martin See French Patterned Education; or

See also CAPE

Saint Vincent and the

**Grenadines** 

Samoa

See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies National University of Samoa preparatory year; or University of the South Pacific Foundation Year

Saudi Arabia Tawjihyah (General Secondary Education Certificate)

Scotland Scottish National Qualifications offered by SQA with at least 4 Highers; Prior to 2000

Scottish Certificate of Education (SCE) in at least 4 academic subjects at the Higher Level;

Of

See British Patterned Education
Senegal See French Patterned Education

Serbia and Montenegro Matura/Certificate of Completion of Secondary Education

Seychelles See British Patterned Education

Sierra Leone Senior School Certificate Examination administered by the West African Examinations

Council. Please submit all the information required on http://www.waecdirect.org/ including

pin number with your application. See also British Patterned Education

**Singapore** Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education Ordinary and Advanced Levels.

See British Patterned Education

Sint Maarten VWO-Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (Gymnasium A/B and Atheneum A/B)

Certificate; or See also CAPE

Slovak Republic Maturitnej Skúska/Maturita

Solomon Islands Matura/Secondary School Leaving Certificate
University of the South Pacific Foundation Year; or

First year completed at a recognized university

**Somalia** First year standing at a recognized university. Individual consideration is also given to

applicants with excellent results in secondary school graduation qualifications.

South Africa Senior Certificate with Matriculation Endorsement

South Korea Immumgye Kodung Hakkyo Choeupchang (Academic Upper Secondary School

Certificate) and College Scholastic Ability Test

Spain Título de Bachiller and Prueba de Accesso a la Universidad (PAU/University Entrance

Examination)

Sri Lanka General Certificate of Education Advanced Level see British Patterned

Education

**Sudan** First year standing at a recognized university

Suriname Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO: University Preparatory Education); or

See CAPE

**Swaziland** First year standing at a recognized university **Sweden** Avgångsbetyg/Slutbetyg Fran Gymnasieskolan

Switzerland Maturitätszeugnis/Certificat de Maturité/Baccalauréat/Attestato di Maturità/Federally

recognized Cantonal Maturity Certificate

Syria Al Shahada Al Thanawiya/Baccalauréat (Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

T

TaiwanSenior High School Leaving Certificate and GSATTajikistanAttestat o Srednem (Polnum) Obshchem Obrazovanii

Tanzania Certificate of Secondary Education and Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education; or

See British Patterned Education

**Thailand** Mathayom 6 (M6) and University Entrance Exam

**Togo**See French Patterned Education **Tonga**Tonga National Form 7; or

University of the South Pacific Foundation Year

Trinidad & Tobago See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

Tunisia See French Patterned Education

Turkey Lise Bitirme Diplomasi/Devlet Lise Diplomasi

Turkmenistan Attestat o Srednem Obrazovanii

**Turks and Caicos** 

Islands

See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education; or

Preliminary year at the University of the West Indies

U

Uganda Ugandan Certificate of Education and Advanced Certificate of Education; or

See British Patterned Education

UkraineAtestat Pro Povnu Zagal'nu Sersdniu OsvituUnited Arab EmiratesTawjihiyya (Secondary School Certificate)

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subjects, three of which must be at the advanced level. Two Advanced

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courses may be considered for advanced standing credit.

United States of America (USA)

**United Kingdom** 

Grade 12 completion with a "B" average at an accredited high school with high SAT/ACT scores in SAT Reasoning or ACT examinations (minimum composite score of 24)

including the Writing Test component. SAT written before March 2016 requires a minimum score of 500 in any part of the SAT Reasoning or SAT Subject Tests. SAT written after

March 2016 requires a minimum score of1100.; or

Minimum of one school year 30 semester credits (45 quarter credits) at an accredited post-secondary institution. Applicants who have completed more than 30 semester credits at an accredited post-secondary institution will be assessed on an individual basis for

potential transfer credit or advanced standing.

**Uruguay** Bachillerato

Uzbekistan Attestat o Srednem (Polnum) Obshchem Obrazovanii

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Vanuatu University of the South Pacific Foundation Year; or

See Fiji or New Zealand

**Venezuela** First year standing from a recognized university

Vietnam Bàng Tót Nghiệp Phó Thông Trung Hoc

Virgin Islands See CAPE; or

See British Patterned Education

W

West Bank and Gaza Tawjihi; or

First Year completed at a recognized university

Υ

Yemen Al Thanawiya (General Secondary Education Certificate)

Yugoslavia Secondary School Leaving Diploma

Z

Zambia School Certificate

Zimbabwe Cambridge School Certificate and Higher School Certificate; or

See British Patterned Education