

**Minimum Eligibility Requirement for
Applicants with International Educational Credentials Seeking
Admission
to IU Graduate Programs at IUPUI**

Given the move toward three-year bachelor's degrees throughout much of the world, including the 40-plus European nations participating in the Bologna process, many American universities are reconsidering their previous insistence on a four-year bachelor's degree (or equivalent) to be considered eligible for admission to an American graduate program. In this light, IUPUI has established the following standard for minimum eligibility for admission to its Indiana University graduate programs.

MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION

Graduate applicants are expected to have completed the equivalent of a U.S. Bachelor's degree in order to be considered for graduate study, such as:

- Have completed at least 16 years of primary+secondary+tertiary education and have earned a university first degree, or
- Have completed a university first degree that grants eligibility for graduate study in a recognized university in that same country.

Persons without this background cannot be accepted for graduate study, regardless of the name of any first degree they may hold.

Once minimum eligibility is determined, Indiana University graduate programs will make the final admissions decision, based on reviewing the applicant's educational credentials to determine if the applicant is academically competitive and has the preparation needed for success in that program. The Office of International Affairs at IUPUI will provide evaluations of the applicant's educational background and academic documents upon request from the departments.

Purdue University graduate programs follow the eligibility standards established by the Purdue University Graduate School.