

Grade conversion for international students applying for postgraduate studies at a German University according to the so-called “Bavarian Formular”

Upon application to a postgraduate course of study in Germany your examinations passed abroad will need to be “translated” into the German Grading System. This grade conversion provides assistance in recognition of examinations passed abroad. It is the so-called “modified Bavarian formula”.

To convert your grade to the German system you need to subtract from the maximum possible score in your University’s grading system your average score, referred to as the *Cumulative Grade Point Average* in some countries. You should then divide the result by the maximum possible score to be obtained at your University minus the lowest passing grade at your University. Then multiply the result by three and add 1.

$$\left(\frac{N_{\max} - N_d}{N_{\max} - N_{\min}} \right) \times 3 + 1,$$

where N_{\max} is the maximum possible score in your country’s grading system, N_d is your average score, and N_{\min} is lowest passing grade.