

Recognition of Cambridge qualifications in Germany

Cambridge International AS & A Level and Cambridge Pre-U

To study at a university in Germany you need to be eligible according to German law. If you do not hold a German "Abitur" you have to fulfil certain requirements determined by the authorities. This process is not under the responsibility of Frankfurt School. We will, however, do our best to guide you through the necessary steps.

Cambridge IGCSE

Unfortunately the Cambridge IGCSE is not a valid university entrance qualification for Germany!

Cambridge International AS & A Level Recognition

The Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB) of the Standing Conference of German Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs (KMK) issued the following entrance requirements for Cambridge International AS & A Levels:

A total of four Cambridge International AS and A Level subjects, three of which must be at full A Level standard. For example:

- Three Cambridge International A Levels

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- One Cambridge International AS Level

The choice of four subjects must include:

Subject 1: GCE AL Social Science
a choice of Business Studies or Economics

Subject 2: GCE AL Mathematics

Subject 3: A language at minimum AS Level.
A language at minimum AS Level is a general entrance requirement for study at Bachelor degree level; an AS or A Level in Literature will not be accepted instead.

Subject 4: GCE AL in one additional, independent subject
Vocational subjects are not accepted. In Germany, A Level Economics, A Level Accounting and A Level Business Studies are viewed as overlapping subjects. Combining an A Level Economics with an A Level Accounting or an A Level Business Studies with an A Level Economics is best avoided since these subjects will not be accepted as two independent A Level.

Two GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level courses may be accepted in lieu of one GCE Advanced Level.

Recognition of Cambridge Pre-U Principal Subjects, Cambridge Pre-U Global Perspectives and Research (GPR) and the Cambridge Pre-U Diploma in Germany

The Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB) also issued recommendations for Cambridge Pre-U Principal Subjects, Cambridge Pre-U Global Perspectives and Research (GPR) and the Cambridge Pre-U Diploma and meeting entrance requirements for Bachelor degree programmes.

The following equivalencies were agreed upon:

- A Cambridge Pre-U Principal Subject is the equivalent of a GCE Advanced Level
- A Cambridge Pre-U Short Course is the equivalent of a GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level

General entrance requirements for Cambridge Pre-U are therefore as follows:

- Three Cambridge Pre-U Principal Subjects (or an equivalent combination of A Levels and Cambridge Pre-U Principal Subjects)

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- One Cambridge Pre-U Short Course (or one AS Level)

Cambridge Pre-U Diploma

The Cambridge Pre-U Diploma will be accepted as meeting general entrance requirements for undergraduate courses of study providing all admissions criteria are met. If the three Cambridge Pre-U Principal Subjects offered as part of the Diploma meet all general admissions criteria then Cambridge Pre-U Global Perspectives and Research (GPR), the core of the Cambridge Pre-U Diploma, will be accepted in lieu of the required Advanced Subsidiary (AS) Level subject.

- Global Perspectives and Research (GPR) as a stand-alone qualification will not be accepted in lieu of a Cambridge Pre-U Principal Subject.

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