

FRENCH VERSUS US GRADING SYSTEM

The French grading system is numerical and ranges from 0 to 20. However, a score of 20 signifies perfection, and as "perfection" is commonly held to be humanly unattainable, such grades are unimaginable.

Evaluations are normally given in essay format where the elegance, form and presentation of his/her proofs, reasoning, and written expression is subjectively graded. Multiple-choice tests are rarely used.

The following chart, proposed by the Franco-American (Fulbright) Commission for the Exchange of Scholars, Paris, provides for conversion of French numerical grades to American alphanumeric grades at the secondary school (*collège / lycée*) level.

Please note that that this chart is only for your information. Even evaluators, who assess degrees or diplomas, do not convert grades from one system to another system.

FRANCO-AMERICAN COMMISSION FOR THE EXCHANGE OF SCHOLARS (FULBRIGHT) GRADE CONVERSION CHART.			
<i>Collège</i> (6 th -9 th Grades)		<i>Lycée</i> (10 th – 12 th Grades)	
French Grade	American Equivalent	French Grade	American Equivalent
16	A+	15	A+
15	A	14	A
14	A-	13	A-
13	B+	12	B+
12	B	11	B
11	B-	10	B-
10	C+	09	C+
09	C	08	C
08	C-	07	C
07	D+	06	D+
06	D	05	D
05	D-	04	D-
04	F	03	F

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