

Comparing different educational systems



Age 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28



Québec

École primaire/ Elementary school						École secondaire/ Secondary school					CEGEP*		Baccalauréat/ Bachelor's			Maîtrise/ Master's		Doctorat/ Doctoral		
1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	3



Belgium

École primaire						École secondaire moyen			École secondaire supérieure			Bachelier			Master		Doctorat		
1 ^{er}	2 ^e	3 ^e	4 ^e	5 ^e	6 ^e	1 ^{ere}	2 ^e	3 ^e	4 ^e	5 ^e	6 ^e	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	3



Brazil

Ensino fundamental I				Ensino fundamental II					Ensino médio			Bacharelado				Mestrado		Doutorado			
1 ^o	2 ^o	3 ^o	4 ^o	5 ^o	6 ^o	7 ^o	8 ^o	9 ^o	1 ^{er}	2 ^o	3 ^{er}	1 ^{er}	2 ^o	3 ^{er}	4 ^o	1 ^o	2 ^o	1 ^o	2 ^o	3 ^o	4 ^o



China

Primary school						Middle school			High school			Undergraduate				Master			PhD				
1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5



Colombia

Primaria					Secundaria				Media		Pregrado					Maestría		Doctorado			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	1	2	3	4



France

École primaire					Collège				Lycée			Licence			Master		Doctorat		
CP	CE1	CE2	CM1	CM2	6 ^e	5 ^e	4 ^e	3 ^e	2 ^{nde}	1 ^{ere}	Term.	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	3



Mexico

Primaria						Secundaria			Preparatoria			Licenciatura				Maestría		Doctorado	
1 ^{er}	2 ^o	3 ^{er}	4 ^o	5 ^o	6 ^o	1 ^{er}	2 ^o	3 ^{er}	1 ^{er}	2 ^o	3 ^{er}	1 ^{er}	2 ^o	3 ^{er}	4 ^o	1	2	1	2



United States

Elementary school					Middle school			High school				Undergraduate				Master's		Doctoral		
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	1 st	2 nd	1 st	2 nd	3 rd

*CEGEP, a part of Québec's unique education system

CEGEPs provide a stepping stone between secondary school and university. CEGEP is a French acronym that stands for *Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel*, known in English as a general and vocational college.

CEGEPs provide pre-university programs, leading to university studies, and technical career programs, which prepare students to enter the job market.

It's important to note that international students are not all required to go to CEGEP before applying for admission to a university in Québec.

Note :

The educational systems presented in this document represent regular paths leading to university studies, on the condition that exams are passed and that students are accepted in their respective programs.