

## Examples of qualifications in Ireland per grade

### 1. Grades: AST/SC 1 to AST/SC 6 and AST 1 to AST 7

These grades correspond to secondary education giving access to post-secondary education.

- Ardeistiméireacht Grád D3, i 5 ábhar/Leaving Certificate Grade D3 in 5 subjects
- Gairmchlár na hArdeistiméireachta (GCAT)/Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP)

### 2. Grades: AST 3 to AST 11

These grades correspond to post-secondary education (non-university higher education course or short university course lasting at least 2 years)

- Teastas Náisiúnta/National Certificate
- Gnáthchéim bhaisiléara/Ordinary bachelor degree
- Diplóma náisiúnta (ND, Dip.)/National diploma (ND, Dip.)
- Ardeastas (120 ECTS)/Higher Certificate (120 ECTS)

### 3. Grades: AD 5 to AD 16

These grades correspond to university-level education.

#### 3.1. University-level education (lasting at least 3 years)

- Céim onóracha bhaisiléara (3 bliana/180 ECTS) (BA, B.Sc, B.Eng)/Honours bachelor degree (3 years/180 ECTS) (BA, B.Sc, B.Eng)

#### 3.2. University-level education (4 years or more)

- Céim onóracha bhaisiléara (4 bliana/240 ECTS)/Honours bachelor degree (4 years/240 ECTS)
- Céim ollscoile/University degree
- Céim mháistir (60-120 ECTS)/Master's degree (60-120 ECTS)
- Dochtúireacht/Doctorate