

# Foreign qualification assessment

The extract indicates what a foreign qualification is comparable to in the Swedish qualification system. The information can be used when applying for a job or planning for further studies. Decisions regarding employment, admission or formal professional recognition are made by the employer, education provider or competent authority.

## Qualification from Pakistan



**Degree of Bachelor (Pass)**

## Swedish comparison



**Ett års studier på grundnivå**

One year of study, first cycle  
**Högskoleexamen**

Higher Education Diploma

## About the qualification comparison

UHR has assessed the foreign qualification in comparison to a Swedish level of higher education. A more precise comparison to one year of studies at the Bachelor's level or a Higher Education Diploma depends on factors such as the qualification's nominal length of study and can only be provided on the basis of individual documentation.

The first cycle represents the first level in a three-part European structure for higher education (Bologna level 1). The figure below shows qualifications at this level.

This assessment is provided as guidance by UHR. It is based on our knowledge of the country's education system and not on the individual's education documents. UHR applies the principles of the international recognition convention Lisbon Recognition Convention and assumes the foreign qualification is recognised in the country of study.

Find out more about [higher education in Sweden and the admission process at Universityadmissions.se](https://www.universityadmissions.se)

## About the Swedish Council for Higher Education

The Swedish Council for Higher Education (UHR) is Sweden's ENIC-NARIC centre. We have a national task to inform about and evaluate foreign education.

Go to the Qualifications Assessment Tool: [www.uhr.se/en/start/recognition-of-foreign-qualifications/qualifications-assessment-tool/pakistan/degree-of-bachelor-pass--656/](https://www.uhr.se/en/start/recognition-of-foreign-qualifications/qualifications-assessment-tool/pakistan/degree-of-bachelor-pass--656/).

## To employers

This extract should be used together with an individual's education documents. If you as an employer have questions about foreign education or a job applicant's education documents, you are welcome to contact UHR. E-mail: utbildningsbedomning@uhr.se

## Facts about Degree of Bachelor (Pass)

<b>Duration</b>	2 - 3 years  The 3 year long qualification is a newer and less common form of Degree of Bachelor (Pass).
<b>Credits</b>	60 - 72 or 90 - 108 (depending on length)
<b>Information about the qualification</b>	The qualification gives access to 1- or 2-year master's programmes (in the old system) in Pakistan, or alternatively to the last and final year of a four-year Bachelor's level programme. The total study period is 4 years in both cases.
<b>National Qualifications Framework (NQF)</b>	<a href="#">National Qualifications Framework of Pakistan (PQF)</a>  The national qualifications framework (PQF) has 8 levels, where 1 is the lowest and 8 is the highest.
<b>NQF level</b>	5 (PQF)
<b>Recognised higher education institutions</b>	<a href="#">Higher Education Commission Recognised Universities</a> <a href="#">Higher Education Commission Recognised Campuses</a>  Please note the country can have additional recognised education institutions.

## The level of Swedish qualifications and degrees

Swedish degrees and final grades are placed within reference frameworks that show different levels of learning outcomes. In the figure, the Swedish reference framework SeQF is shown as well as the European reference frameworks that facilitate comparison to other countries. Please note the figure does not contain all Swedish qualifications.



Not all qualifications are included in the figure.

\*Please note that the Advanced Higher Vocational Education Diploma is included in EQF och SeQF level 6, but not in Bologna level 1.

### What do the abbreviations mean?

-  SeQF – The Swedish National Qualifications Framework
-  EQF – European Qualifications Framework
-  Bologna Framework – Qualifications Framework for the European Higher Education Area (QF- EHEA)