

Japanese Educational Qualifications Framework (tentative)

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Level	Qualifications
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Doctoral degree
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Master's degree● Master of xxx (Professional)● Master of Education (Professional)● Juris Doctor● Bachelor's degree (Medical, Dentistry, Pharmaceutical Sciences (Clinical), and Veterinary Medical Science)
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Bachelor's degree● Bachelor's degree (Professional)● Advanced diploma
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Associate degree● Associate degree (Professional)● Associate● Diploma● Certificate of Completion of two or more year advanced course in:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upper secondary school• Upper division, secondary education school• Upper secondary department, school for special needs education
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Certificate of Graduation of one year course in professional training college● Certificate of Completion of one year advanced course in:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upper secondary school• Upper division, secondary education school• Upper secondary department, school for special needs education
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Certificate of Graduation<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upper secondary school• Secondary education school• Upper secondary department, school for special needs education• Upper secondary course, specialized training college● Certificate of Completion of 3rd grade of regular course, college of technology● Certificate of upper secondary school equivalency examination
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Certificate of Graduation<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lower secondary school• Compulsory education school• Lower secondary department, school for special needs education● Certificate of lower secondary school equivalency examination
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Certificate of Graduation<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Elementary school• Elementary department, school for special needs education



Please refer to the Quality Assurance Portal site for detailed descriptors.

<https://niadqe.jp/information/higher-education-degree-2/>



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