

Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education Science and Technology

CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO GRADE 12 – 2020

The criteria for admission to **Grade 12 - 2020** are as follows:

Age Criterion

- 1.1. Students should **NOT** have reached the age of **19** on **1st January 2020**

Minimum qualifications requirements

- 1.2. Students should
Either have been awarded the School Certificate (SC) with at least a pass in English Language, and obtained a minimum of **FIVE (5)** credits at one and the same sitting;
Or have obtained at least **Grade C** at G.C.E. “O” level in a minimum of **FIVE (5) subjects** at one and the same sitting, with at least Grade E in English Language.

Eligibility for subject combination at Principal Level

- 1.3. In addition to the above, students should hold a **CREDIT** at SC (or at least Grade C at GCE “O” level) in each of the **THREE (3)** subjects they propose to offer at Principal Level.

Exceptional case: Where a student has obtained **SIX (6)** credits (or Grade C at GCE “O” level) at one and the same sitting, but has a pass (or Grade E at GCE “O” level) in the third subject to be offered at Principal Level, he/she may exceptionally be allowed to offer the same subject at Principal Level.
This does not, however, apply to English and Mathematics as per 1.4 and 1.5 below.

- 1.4. Students wishing to offer Literature in English at Principal Level must have obtained at least a **CREDIT** in either English or Literature in English at SC or Grade C at GCE “O” level.
- 1.5. Students wishing to offer Mathematics at Principal Level must have obtained either a **CREDIT** in Mathematics or Additional Mathematics at SC or Grade C at GCE “O” level.
- 1.6. Students who have a **CREDIT** at SC or Grade “C” at GCE “O” Level in
- (i). **BUSINESS STUDIES** are eligible to offer **Business** and either **Economics** or **Accounting** at Principal Level.
 - (ii). **PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTS** are eligible to offer **Accounting** and **Business** at Principal Level,

- (iii). **ECONOMICS** are eligible to offer **Economics and Business** at Principal Level
- (iv). **COMMERCE** or **COMMERCIAL STUDIES** are eligible to offer **Business** at Principal Level

1.7. Students may offer any **ONE** of the following:

- (i). **Divinity**
- (ii). **Hinduism,**
- (iii). **Islamic Studies,**
- (iv). **Sociology**
- (v). **Travel and Tourism**
- (vi). **Cambridge Technicals in ICT¹**

at Principal Level although they have not studied the subjects listed above up to SC/GCE “O” Level provided they hold credits in the two other subjects to be offered at Principal Level.

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¹ Applicable to students opting for HSC Pro in the ICT strand