

**Table 3. Requirements to enter upper secondary education**

OECD countries and systems

	Complete ISCED 2 to enter ISCED 3	Students need to demonstrate having met academic standards by:		Students are automatically promoted
		Passing the last grade of ISCED 2 (through classroom-based assessments)	Passing an external examination at the end of ISCED 2	
Australia	Yes	Yes	No	No
Austria	Yes	Yes	No	No
Belgium	Yes	Yes	No	No
Canada	No	Yes	No	No
Chile	Yes	Yes	No	No
Colombia	Yes	Yes	No	No
Costa Rica	Yes	Yes	No	No
Czech Republic	Yes	Yes	No	No
Denmark	Yes	Yes	No	No
England	Yes	No	No	Yes
Estonia	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Finland	Yes	Yes	No	No
France	Yes	Yes	No	No
Germany	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Greece	Yes	Yes	No	No
Hungary	Yes	Yes	No	No
Iceland	Yes	No	No	Yes
Ireland	Yes	No	No	Yes
Israel	Yes	Yes	No	No
Italy	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Japan	Yes	Yes	No	No
Korea	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Latvia	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Lithuania	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Luxembourg	Yes	Yes	No	No
Mexico	Yes	Yes	No	No
Netherlands	Yes	Yes	No	No
New Zealand	Yes	No	No	Yes
Norway	Yes	No	No	Yes
Poland	Yes	Yes	No	No
Portugal	Yes	Yes	No	No
Scotland	Yes	No	No	Yes
Slovak Republic	Yes	Yes	No	No
Slovenia	Yes	Yes	No	No
Spain	Yes	Yes	No	No
Sweden	Yes	No	No	Yes
Switzerland	Yes	Yes	No	No
Türkiye	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
United States	No	Yes	No	No
Wales	Yes	No	No	Yes