Entry requirements

Upcoming changes (2026-2027)

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1. Introduction

In this pamphlet you will find information regarding coming changes to entry requirements, which is to be introduced in 2026 and 2027. Entry requirements in this pamphlet covers programmes with admission through the Danish Coordinated Admission. You can apply for these programmes at Optagelse.dk.

The purpose of The Coordinated Admission is to coordinate the admission for higher education programme. This coordination will allow applicants to apply for a maximum of eight programmes, while ensuring that each applicant is at most offered one study place on the highest possible prioritized programme.

Information on how to apply at Optagelse.dk can be found in the User Guide at Optagelse.dk

Information regarding the programmes and their content you will find at Uddannelses-Guiden, www.ug.dk (in Danish for Danish programmes only) and at Study in Denmark (for international applicants). Holders of non-Danish qualifications can learn more about entry requirements for higher education programmes in Denmark at ufm.dk.

2. Rules of Admission to Higher Education Programmes

The legislation on admission to higher education programs in The Coordinated Admission is settled in different executive orders. These state the entry requirements – among other things – depending on the type of education.

The orders are published at <u>retsinformation.dk</u> (in Danish only – additional information can be found on the websites of the educational institutions or at <u>Study in Denmark</u>)

Bachelor Programmes at Universities:

Bekendtgørelse om adgang til universitetsuddannelser tilrettelagt på heltid (adgangsbekendtgørelsen)

Academy Profession Programmes and Professional Bachelor Programmes:

Bekendtgørelse om adgang til erhvervsakademiuddannelser og professionsbacheloruddannelser.

Artistic and Cultural Higher Education Programmes

Bekendtgørelse om adgang til videregående kunstneriske uddannelser tilrettelagt på heltid (adgangsbekendtgørelsen)

3. Categories of Entry Requirements

In order to apply for a higher education programme, you have to fulfil the entry requirements.

All the higher education programmes require that you have a certain educational back-ground. An upper secondary education is a requirement for most programmes, but other educations such as a vocational training education are also accepted at some programmes.

Besides the requirement of a certain educational background, most programmes have specific requirements, grade requirements and/or an admission test.

Specific requirements are requirements of passed courses from an upper secondary education in specific subjects.

Language requirements are requirements for a certain level of Danish or English skills. See section 4.

Grade requirements are requirements of a passed upper secondary education with a specific minimum final grade point average (GPA) or specific courses passed with a certain minimum grade. Grade requirements are not to be mistaken with the admission quotient.

Passed admission test is a requirement of passing an admission test held by the educational institution during the spring. Generally, programmes that admits students solely based upon an admission test have application deadline at twelve noon on March 15.

You have to fulfil all the relevant entry requirements in order to have your application assessed by the educational institution.

When you apply for higher education programmes at Optagelse.dk, you can see the entry requirements on the individual programme.

4. Danish and English Language Requirements

Danish language requirement

When applying for a higher education programme taught in Danish, the educational institutions may require that applicants are able to document their Danish language skills. The educational institution may require that some non-Danish applicants or applicants with entry qualifications from outside Denmark has passed Danish at a certain level.

The educational institutions also require that you pass Danish with a certain minimum grade. Check the website of the educational institution that you are considering applying for.

English language requirement

When applying for a higher education programme taught in English or of which significant parts are offered in English, the educational institution requires that applicants document that their English language skills corresponds to at least one of the following requirements:

- English at Danish B-level
- English at Danish A-level
- TOEFL-test with a minimum score of 83
- IELTS-test with a minimum score of 6.5
- Another test which the educational institution acknowledges and which equals English at Danish B-level
- The educational institution can choose to offer a test, which equals English at Danish B-level

The requirement in English at Danish A-level can be substituted by a test which the educational institution acknowledges and which equals English at Danish A-level.

The educational institution can decide to set higher requirements than those above. Check the website of the educational institution that you are considering applying for. You can see any potential language requirements on the specific programme at Optagelse.dk under 'Local Requirements' as well.

5. Upcoming changes to entry requirements

Some programmes have local requirements specific to an educational institution – besides the specific requirements. Local requirements are mostly grade requirements, but can also be language requirements (see chapter 4).

The programmes which introduces or tightens entry requirements in 2026 and 2027, are listed below.

Please note that all the levels refer to the name of the levels in the Danish upper secondary education, and all grade requirements are on the Danish scale.

| Gæld ende | KOT nr. | Udbudstitel | Engelsk institution | Engelsk karakterkrav |
|--------------|---------|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| 2026 | 10222 | Kognitions- og datavidenskab, Kø- benhavn K, Studiestart: sommer- start | University of Co- penhagen | Mathematics A with a GPA of at least 7,0 |
| 2026 | 13035 | Erhvervsøkonomi-virksomhedskom- munikation, HA (kom.), Frederiks- berg, Studiestart: sommerstart | Copenhagen Busi- ness School | Mathematics B with a GPA of at least 6,0 (OR Mathematics A with 2,0) |
| 2026 | 15080 | Teknisk videnskab (civilingeniør) Data science og management, Kgs. Lyngby, Studiestart: sommerstart | Technical University of Denmark | Physics B and Chemistry C |
| 2026 | 17020 | Datalogi, Odense M, Studiestart: sommerstart | University of Sou- thern Denmark | The GPA must be at least 7,0 in quota 1, or a passed admission test in quota 2 |

6. Conditional Admission

It is possible to apply for conditional admission to some programmes even though you have not passed a level in a subject or do not fulfil a grade requirement, if you are partaking in a supplementary course. Some educational institutions will grant you conditional admission, which means that you are guaranteed admission to the programme once you have passed the supplementary courses. The conditional admission depends on whether you can pass the supplementary courses in time. However, you must have completed the supplementary courses prior to the study start of the programme or immediately thereafter as indicated by the educational institution.

If, for example, you have mathematics at Danish level B and the programme requires mathematics at Danish level A, you may supplement the level taking a supplementary course at upper secondary level during the summer period. You must have completed both the course and tests prior to study start on 1 September or immediately thereafter. The same applies if you are required to have obtained specific grades to fulfil the entry requirements. You can find further information about supplementary courses in Denmark in section 8.

Your final admission and your right to start/continue on the programme are on the condition that you pass the necessary exams on the required level or with a required grade prior to the study start or immediately thereafter.

Please note you will lose your study place if you do not pass the supplementary course(s). You should thus apply for conditional admission as usual by the admission deadlines. It is your responsibility to apply for admission to a supplementary course.

The offering of certain supplementary courses is limited to very few schools, and that most of the courses offered in Denmark are taught in Danish.

For some programmes it is required that you submit documentation before July 5th, 12 noon showing that you are registered for supplementary courses at upper secondary level. The possibility of applying for conditional admission does not apply to all programmes. For some programmes with restricted admission, conditional admission is only granted if you need to improve one subject by one level only. You should ask the coordinators of the supplementary courses at upper secondary level or enquire at the educational institution to which you are applying for admission. You can find further information on the individual programmes, entry requirements etc. at optagelse.dk and ug.dk.

7. Supplementary Courses in Denmark

If you have completed an upper secondary education that does not meet the specific entry requirements for the programme to which you are planning to apply for admission, you have the possibility to attend supplementary courses in the subjects you need in order to obtain the levels and grades, which satisfy the specific entry requirements for the study programme.

Please note that almost all of the courses offered in Denmark are taught in Danish. You can get further information on the individual supplementary courses at upper secondary level, enrolment, prices and schools at ug.dk or from the coordinators of the supplementary courses at upper secondary level at the following addresses:

Nørresundby Gymnasium og HF Studievej 14 9400 Nørresundby tlf. 9817 2833 https://www.nghf.dk/omnghf/gs-gymnasial-supplering/

Aarhus HF & VUC
Dalgas Avenue 2
8000 Aarhus C
tlf. 8732 2500
https://aarhushfogvuc.dk/gs-sof/supplering/

Odense Katedralskole Jernbanegade 34 5000 Odense C tlf. 6612 2240 odensekatedralskole.dk/gs

KVUC Vognmagergade 8 1120 København K tlf. 8232 6690 https://kvuc.dk/uddannelser/gs/ Niels Brock Nørre Voldgade 34 1358 København K tlf. 3341 9100 https://nielsbrock.dk/gskog-sof/gsk