

Cambridge Nationals (legacy) resits only: January 2024 series grade boundaries

Cambridge Nationals are unitised qualifications. This means the qualifications can be taken in chunks, or units, throughout the course. At the end of the course, you pull together all of the unit results into an overall qualification grade. The mark you get on each exam paper or coursework unit will be your unit mark. This is sometimes called a 'raw' mark.

However, the difficulty of Cambridge Nationals exam papers may vary. In order to make sure results are consistent from year to year, we convert the raw marks to a common scale with grade boundaries that do not change. This scale is known as the uniform mark scale (UMS).

A grade boundary is the minimum mark you need to get a grade. For example, if the unit grade boundary for a merit at Level 2 is 42 UMS, you need to get at least 42 UMS to achieve a merit at Level 2. A mark of 41 UMS would therefore be a pass at Level 2.

The unit raw mark and UMS grade boundaries are provided within this document. If you want to convert a specific raw mark to UMS, you can use our online tool (ocr.org.uk/qualifications/convert-raw-marks-to-ums).

Units are graded as follows:

- 2* – distinction* at Level 2
- d2 – distinction at Level 2
- m2 – merit at Level 2
- p2 – pass at Level 2
- d1 – distinction at Level 1
- m1 – merit at Level 1
- p1 – pass at Level 1

Qualification level UMS grade boundaries

To calculate your overall qualification grade, we add the UMS for each unit to get your total UMS. We then check the total UMS against the qualification UMS grade boundaries. These do not change and are shown below:

		Max Mark	D*2	D2	M2	P2	D1	M1	P1	U
Level 1/2 Cambridge National Award	UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	36	0
Level 1/2 Cambridge National Certificate	UMS	240	216	192	168	144	120	96	72	0

Unit level raw mark and UMS grade boundaries

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Child Development

		Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u	
R018	01 Health and well-being for child development (Written Paper)	Raw	80	61	54	47	40	34	28	22	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	36	0

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Creative iMedia

		Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u	
R081	01 Pre-production skills (Written Paper)	Raw	60	53	47	41	35	29	23	18	0
		UMS	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	18	0

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Engineering

		Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u	
R101	01 Engineering principles (Written Paper)	Raw	No entry for January 2024								
		UMS	No entry for January 2024								
R105	01 Design briefs, design specifications and user requirements (Written Paper)	Raw	60	54	48	42	37	31	25	20	0
		UMS	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	18	0
R109	01 Engineering materials, processes and production (Written Paper)	Raw	No entry for January 2024								
		UMS	No entry for January 2024								
R113	01 Electronic principles (Written Paper)	Raw	No entry for January 2024								
		UMS	No entry for January 2024								

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Enterprise and Marketing

		Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u
R064	01 Enterprise and marketing concepts (Written Paper)	Raw	No entry for January 2024							
		UMS	No entry for January 2024							

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Health and Social Care

		Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u	
R021	01 Essential values of care for use with individuals in care settings (Written Paper)	Raw	60	52	47	42	37	30	24	18	0
		UMS	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	18	0

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Information Technologies

			Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u	
R012	01	Understanding tools, techniques, methods and processes for technological solutions (Written Paper)	Raw	No entry for January 2024								
			UMS	No entry for January 2024								

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Sport Science

			Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u	
R041	01	Reducing the risk of sport injuries (Written Paper)	Raw	No entry for January 2024								
			UMS	No entry for January 2024								

Level 1/2 Cambridge Nationals in Sport Studies

			Max Mark	2*	d2	m2	p2	d1	m1	p1	u	
R051	01	Contemporary issues in Sport (Written Paper)	Raw	60	48	42	36	31	25	20	15	0
			UMS	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	18	0