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Re: The International Certificate of Christian Education
(formerly The National Christian Schools' Certificate)

The ICCE began its existence in 1992 as the National Christian Schools' Certificate. This was set up in response to the need for an alternative to existing conventional examination systems for students using the Accelerated Christian Education curriculum. This curriculum has been used in Christian schools and home schools throughout the world for the past 40 years.

To recognise the international dimension of the Accelerated Christian Education programme, the NCSC was renamed in September 2004 and is now known as the International Certificate of Christian Education. Many students from outside the UK, particularly African and Asian countries, are now registered. ICCE provides a range of seven baccalaureate-style certificates from the Basic course to Advanced Higher. The content and standard have been enhanced by the addition of coursework at the four highest levels.

It is estimated that ICCE Foundation level requires a standard and volume of work comparable to 5 UK GCSE short courses, Vocational level requires a standard and volume of work comparable to 6 UK GCSEs, General level requires a standard and volume of work comparable to 9 UK GCSEs. ICCE Intermediate level requires a standard of work comparable to 2 - 3 UK AS Levels and ICCE Advanced level requires a standard and volume of work comparable to 3 - 4 UK A Levels. In 2012 UK NARIC benchmarked the ICCE General and Advanced certificates as comparable to the overall Cambridge International O and A level standard respectively.

Previously NCSC Level 2 and 3 graduates and more recently the ICCE Advanced Level graduates have gained entry to many UK universities and colleges and have gone on to obtain good degrees in various subjects. The Board has received many favourable reports of NCSC and ICCE graduates who have adjusted well to higher education and excelled in their fields.

More information can be found at www.icce.education or by contact ICCE on support@icce.education.

Yours faithfully,



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