Admissions Testing Service

Explanation of Results STEP 2016

All STEP questions are marked out of 20. The mark scheme for each question is designed to reward candidates who make good progress towards a solution. A candidate reaching the correct answer will receive full marks, regardless of the method used to answer the question.

All the questions that are attempted by a student are marked. However, only the 6 best answers are used in the calculation of the final grade for the paper.

There are five grades for STEP Mathematics which are:
S – Outstanding
1 – Very Good
2 – Good
3 – Satisfactory
U – Unclassified

The rest of this document presents, for each paper, the grade boundaries (minimum scores required to achieve each grade), cumulative percentage of candidates achieving each grade, and a graph showing the score distribution (percentage of candidates on each mark).
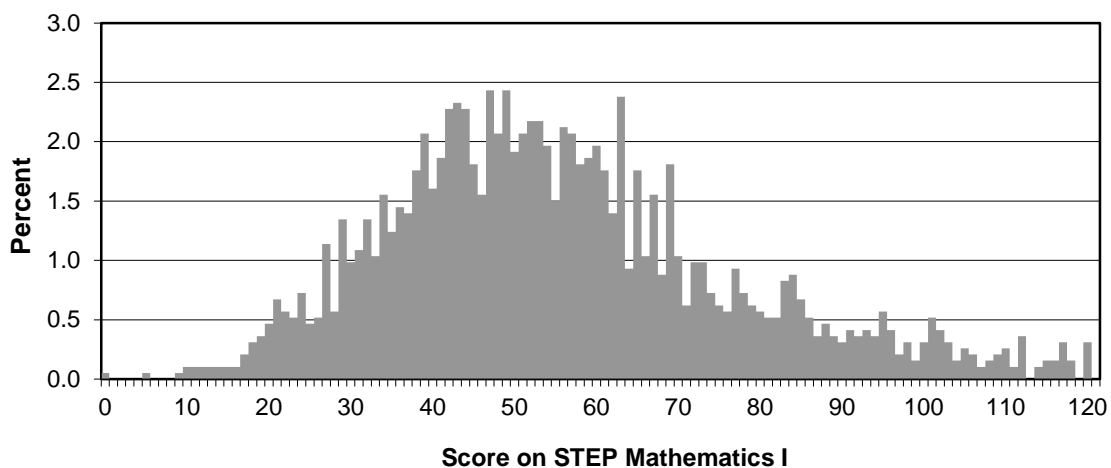
STEP Mathematics I (9465)

Grade boundaries

Maximum Mark	S	1	2	3	U
120	102	75	60	41	0

Cumulative percentage achieving each grade

Maximum Mark	S	1	2	3	U
120	3.7	17.2	37.0	75.7	100.0

Distribution of scores

STEP Mathematics II (9470)

Grade boundaries

Maximum Mark	S	1	2	3	U
120	95	74	65	31	0

Cumulative percentage achieving each grade

Maximum Mark	S	1	2	3	U
120	8.0	26.5	37.3	81.6	100.0

Distribution of scores
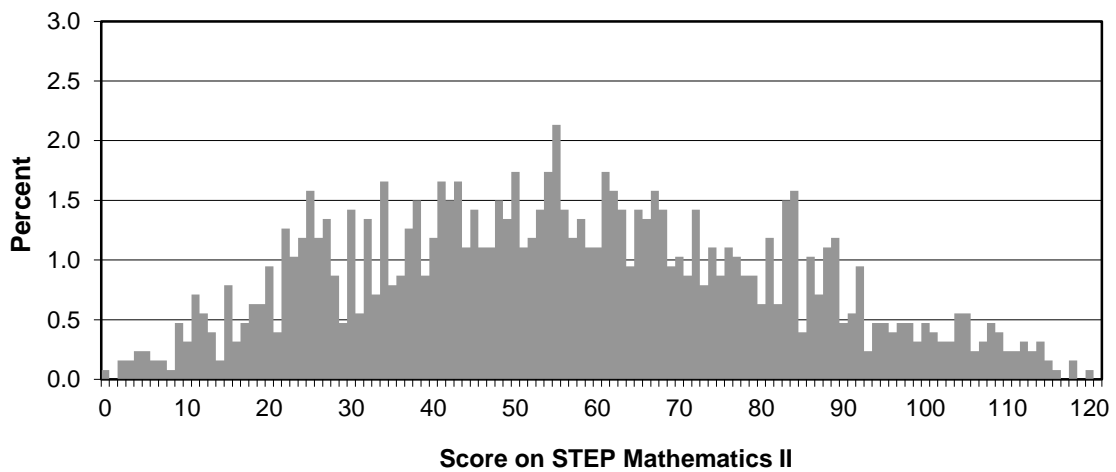
STEP Mathematics III (9475)

Grade boundaries

Maximum Mark	S	1	2	3	U
120	88	64	55	32	0

Cumulative percentage achieving each grade

Maximum Mark	S	1	2	3	U
120	11.0	36.6	50.1	85.1	100.0

Distribution of scores