**Ranking Academia**

I will follow a similar system that George suggested in his scoring.docx. But I will split academic into 3 sub categories. GCSE, A-Level and university.

**University/ Course**

Uni/course ranking:

Where **a** will be the ranking of the university (note we will need to reverse the ranking), where **a = uni’s ranking/ total uni’s.**  There is tab separated text file for this

e.g. if student went to LSE a=124/127. Note LSE is ranked 3rd

**b** denotes the weighting for the course the student completed. **b = course ranking/ total number of uni’s doing the course** (Note the ranking of the uni’s in each course has to be reversed). There is a tab separated text file for this.

e.g. if student went to kings and student politics b=68/83. Note kings is ranked 15th for politics

**g** denotes the grade the student achieved 1st = 5, 2.1 = 4, 2.2 = 3, 3rd = 2. Used a log function to take into account the difficulty of achieving a higher grade.

Things to consider:

* Scholarships
* Need to get ranking of universities and courses, for the year’s the student graduated/started.
* Master/ PhD
* BSc/ BA
* Abbreviations of course names/ university names

**A-Level/college/6th form/private college**

**a,b,c** represents the three A-Levels, there is a csv of the ranking

The **g’s** represent the grade. A\*=8, A = 7, B = 6, C=5, D= 4, E= 3, U=2. Used a log function to take into account the difficulty of achieving a higher grade.

Similar ranking system as uni ranking system.

e.g if student studied law

Things to consider:

* More than 3 A-Levels, you cannot just similar add it to the formula. It should be given a higher weighting
* It’s harder to get a B in further maths than it is to get an A in film, that should be taken in account.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/486936/3-inter-subject-comparability-of-exam-standards-in-gcse-and-a-level.pdf> Table at the bottom details relative difficulty of A-Lvl.

* This data is just for 2013
* Need to consider the new grading system
* Abbreviations (physical education is typically written as P.E)
* college/6th form ranking (bucket the intuitions)
* What about if A-Level was done before the age if 17

**GSCE/high school**

Calculated in a similar fashion to the above grading systems.

To consider:

* It’s harder to get a F in latin than it is to get an D in french, that should be taken in account.

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* Data is just for 2013
* Need to consider the new grading system
* What they did certain GCSE before 16
* Abbreviations (physical education is typically written as P.E)
* School ranking (this can be done, I will be looking at ofstead reports)