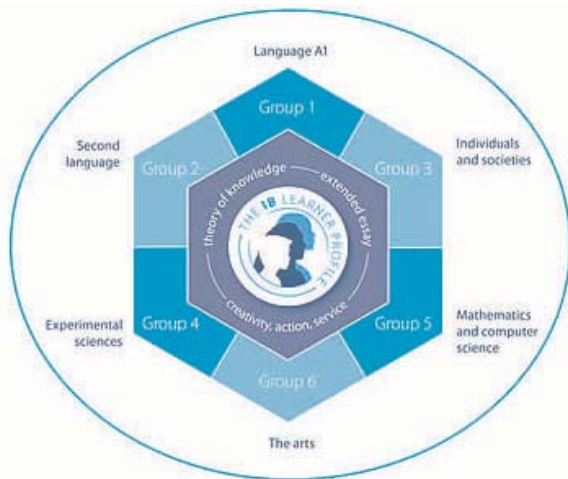




International Baccalaureate

The IB Diploma Programme is a comprehensive and challenging pre-university course that demands the best from both motivated students and teachers. This sophisticated two-year curriculum covers a wide range of academic subjects and has stood the test of time for over half a million students in 119 countries since 1968. IB Diploma Programme graduates are welcomed by the world's leading universities. Universities recognize the outstanding qualities of IB Diploma Programme students. Typically, diploma holders are ready to debate real-world issues from an international perspective and to provide leadership and support in the local and global community. They demonstrate a capacity for in-depth study while maintaining a broad perspective of the different subject areas. They are able to ask challenging questions but also know how to research a topic and express their opinion. They have a strong sense of their own culture and identity, as well as the ability to communicate in two or more languages with people who have a different perspective of the world.



The Core Elements

Extended essay - An externally assessed, independent research assignment of 4,000 words in one of the six subject areas. This is one of the ways in which IB Diploma Programme students can specialize in a certain subject area and prepare for university studies.

Theory of Knowledge- An internally and externally assessed interdisciplinary component that explores the different concepts of knowledge found in the subject areas.

Creativity, Action, Service- A regular weekly commitment to participation over the two years in creative, physical and service activities in the local community. The CAS requirement allows students to gain real-life experience beyond the classroom.

Views of a student

"The IB Diploma Programme played a fundamental role in my education. The capacity to think critically made me appreciate different realities and understand human behaviour. The IB Diploma Programme is a source of ethics, values and knowledge, and teaches the student how to develop in the real world."

Newton College, Peru

Assessment and Standards

The IB Diploma Programme is widely recognized for its high academic standards. Assessment is varied and takes place over two years, with final examinations in each subject. Students' work is assessed by an international board of examiners, who are themselves rigorously trained and monitored by the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO). Subjects are scored on a 1-7 scale with a further three points available for theory of knowledge and the extended essay. Students who display good levels of performance across all six subjects and achieve a minimum of 24 points (out of a possible 45) are awarded the diploma. All others receive a certificate for each of the subjects completed.

Entry requirements for the course:

As with A-level subjects, the entry requirements for the International Baccalaureate are 3 B grades and 2 C grades.



Subjects

Group 1

English

Group 2

French

Spanish

Ab Initio Russian

Ab Initio Chinese
(Mandarin)

Group 3

Philosophy

Geography

History

Economics

Psychology

Group 4

Biology

Chemistry

Physics

Group 5

Mathematics Standard
Level

Mathematics Higher
Level

Mathematics Studies

Computer Science

Group 6

Music

Theatre

Visual Arts

French

Chemistry

Choosing Your Subjects

Remember you must choose **one** subject from each group, as well as completing the core elements of the IB.

Core Elements

Extended Essay

Theory of Knowledge

Creativity, Action and
Service