

ISL London

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This handbook gives information regarding International Baccalaureate Diploma (IB DP and Subject programmes as they are offered at International School of London.

As such, it should be read alongside the general information provided by the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO), which can be found at http://www. ibo.org/diploma/.

This guide should also be read alongside the ISL Student and Parent Handbook, distributed each year to all ISL London parents and students.

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The core values at the International School of London are Diversity, Understanding, Identity and Passion.

The ISL Group Mission Statement

The International School of London Group is a culturally diverse community, which fosters a passion and enthusiasm for learning, through outstanding educational practices. Students' cultural and linguistic identities are valued and nurtured through our international curriculum and Mother Tongue programme. Our school develops the attitudes, skills and understanding needed for active and responsible contributions to both local and global communities.

At the International School of London, we believe in:

- Empowering students to maximise their learning opportunities and to fulfill their potential.
- Actively integrating cultural diversity in the curriculum.
- Creating inclusive, vibrant and innovative learning communities.
- Offering a diverse and extensive international programme that supports personal, social and professional growth.



The International Baccalaureate Organisation Mission Statement

The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end the organisation works with schools, governments and international organisations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.

These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

Welcome to the IB DP at ISL London

The IBDP was designed for schools like ours – international, diverse, multilingual, with high expectations! ISL London has been offering the IB Diploma since 1976, and as such is one of the longest standing IB schools not only in the UK but globally – we are in fact school number 57.

You can read about the history and background of the IB Diploma at www.ibo.org/diploma/

At ISL London we are very proud not only of our long tradition as an IB school but also of the innovations we have introduced to our programme offering throughout those years. Our school's mission statement shows that we value cultural and linguistic diversity in our programmes, and for this reason we have the most flexible possible offering of languages within the IB DP.

How can I make sure I succeed?

The IB DP, like all IB programmes, is not just about what you learn – it also about who you become as you learn. The IB has set out the characteristics of a student who will be successful in their programmes in the 'IB Learner Profile' *http://www.ibo.org/programmes/profile/*

You will never be 'assessed' on the learner profile, but you should keep it in mind as you learn, and think about how it informs the different ways in which you learn.

IB learners strive to be

Inquirers They develop their natural curiosity. They acquire the skills necessary to conduct inquiry and research and show independence in learning. They actively enjoy learn and this love of learning will be sustained throughout their lives.	ng
Knowledgeable They explore concepts, ideas and issues that have local and global significance. In s doing, they acquire in-depth knowledge and develop understanding across a broad balanced range of disciplines.	
Thinkers They exercise initiative in applying thinking skills critically and creatively to recognis and approach complex problems, and make reasoned, ethical decisions.	e
Communicators They understand and express ideas and information confidently and creatively in m than one language and in a variety of modes of communication. They work effective and willingly in collaboration with others.	
Principled They act with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness, justice and resp for the dignity of the individual, groups and communities. They take responsibility for their own actions and the consequences that accompany them.	
Open-minded They understand and appreciate their own cultures and personal histories, and are open t the perspectives, values and traditions of other individuals and communities. They are use seeking and evaluating different points of view, and are willing to grow from the experience	d to
Caring They show empathy, compassion and respect towards the needs and feelings of oth They have a personal commitment to service, and act to make a positive difference the lives of others and to the environment.	
Risk-takers They approach unfamiliar situations and uncertainty with courage and forethought, have the independence of spirit to explore new roles, ideas and strategies. They are brave and articulate in defending their beliefs.	and
Balanced They understand the importance of intellectual, physical and emotional balance to achieve personal well-being for themselves and others.	
Reflective They give thoughtful consideration to their own learning and experience. They are able to assess and understand their strengths and limitations in order to support the learning and personal development.	ir

Extract from The IB Learner Profile Booklet, IBO Publications 2008, 2009

Let's be clear about this if you want to gain the most from your learning, and achieve your full potential, you will not be able to do it just by cramming for exams at the end of the two years! The IB Diploma is a continuous programme, and your performance from day one of grade 11 will influence the outcome on graduation day of grade 12.

A really good education like the IB DP does not come as a 'package' you can buy 'off the shelf' – rather, you should see the next two years as a series of opportunities that you are fortunate to have, and actively encouraged to take.

Learning to learn

The IB Diploma requires more than just in-depth knowledge of the subjects you study. It is recognised worldwide as strong preparation for the kinds of thinking skills and problem-solving tools you will need to demonstrate at university and beyond in your career. The Approaches to Learning framework spells out the learning tools that you will develop and apply across all your subjects and the core of the IB Diploma. The skills are organised in these key areas: *Key Approaches to Learning skills categories and clusters*

Thinking skills	Communication	Social skills	Self-	Research skills
	skills		management	
			skills	

Where will the IB Diploma take me?

The IB Diploma is also intended as a pre-university qualification. This means that its academic standards are set to meet the requirements of study at degree level – and in some countries, the IB Diploma exceeds those standards!¹

You should expect to be challenged – especially at Higher Level – and you should be ready to work hard. The maximum grade of '7' in a Higher Level subject is taken as higher than grade 'A' in the UK A-level examinations; 34 points from the possible 45 for the IB Diploma is held to be equivalent to 3 A-levels at grades ABB.²

You can study at university with IB Course Certificates alone. IB Course Certificates are awarded for each subject completed when a student does not meet the full requirements of the IB Diploma – perhaps they did not meet the minimum requirements for points in subjects, or they did not complete a core element. Many universities around the world regard IB Course Certificates as a valuable qualification in their own right. In the UK for example IB Course Certificates are awarded points on the UCAS tariff scale *http://www. ucas.com/students/ucas_tariff/tarifftables/* and this means they can be used to apply to any university course that will accept tariff qualifications. The range of choice will be somewhat more limited without an IB Diploma, but some very strong options are open to a Course Certificate student.

You will receive help and guidance with finding, and applying to a suitable university level course during grades 11 and 12.

¹ Universities and colleges in the United States of America and Canada frequently award IB courses at Higher Level with advanced placement, meaning students may be exempt from some or all of their first year of degree study.

² Information taken from *http:// www.hefce.ac.uk/data/ year/2012/*

How do I know whether the IB Diploma is recognised in my country?

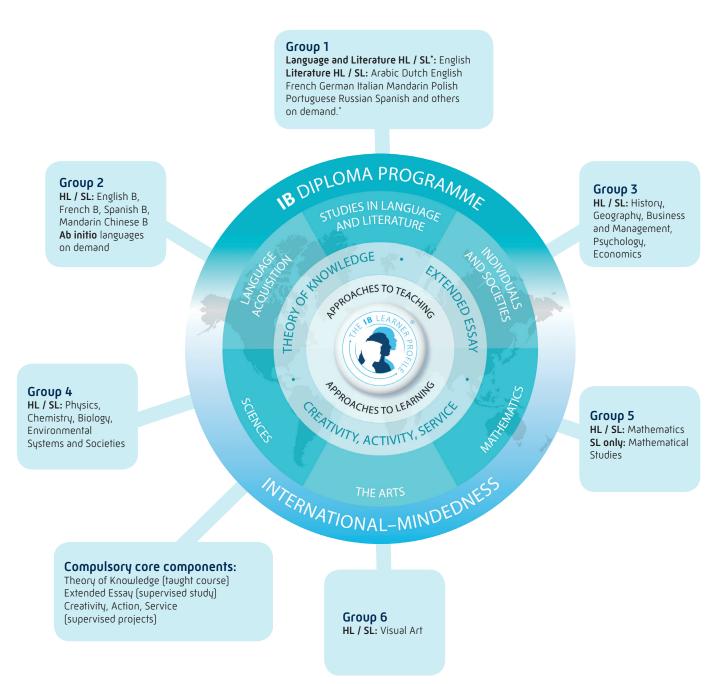
The IB Diploma is given formal equivalency to national examinations in most parts of the world. To check up-to-date details for your own country, refer to *http://www.ibo.org/country/* Some countries require that the IB Diploma is 'notarised' or 'legalised' in their consulate in Geneva, Switzerland (where the IB headquarters are based). Where this is the case, the IB offer a legalization service at a small additional cost. Mr. Morris can assist with this and will advise which countries require legalisation of Diplomas each year.

Education is the most powerful weapon, which you can use to change the world.

Nelson Mandela

What can I study?

The IB Diploma programme at ISL London provides the breadth of subjects required to potentially access any higher education (bachelor's degree-level) course. Refer to http://www.ibo.org/diploma/ for detailed information on how the Diploma programme is structured. Award conditions are also detailed in the Rules and Regulations for the programme, which are available via ISL London eportal and on the school website at *http://www.islschools.org/london/curriculum-ib-diploma.php*



Are there any prerequisites (requirements) for courses?

ISL does not set formal 'entrance requirements' for IBDP courses. If you are admitted to the IBDP at ISL, it is because we agree that the IBDP is a suitable choice for your post-16 education. However, as we already remarked, IBDP courses are a challenge, especially at Higher Level- for example, we usually recommend at least a 5 / 7 in equivalent MYP courses from students transferring to Higher Level courses in the IBDP at ISL. If you have previously studied in another system elsewhere, we will use academic reports from your previous school to make a judgement about the courses you choose, and we will advise you accordingly.

It is possible to study a course at Higher Level if you have never studied the subject before, but it can be a challenge. If you are planning to do this, it is strongly recommended that you contact the subject teacher (through the DP Coordinator pmorris@isllondon.org) before the summer vacation so that we can recommend a preparatory reading programme.

What are the core elements?

These are compulsory if you wish to receive the full IB Diploma. The IB DP core elements are Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay and CAS (Creativity, Action and Service).

IB Subject Certificate students are only required to complete CAS at ISL London, but you may choose to study Theory of Knowledge as a subject in its own right if you wish (and you will receive an IB qualification for this); equally, a subject certificate student may also complete an Extended Essay.

Theory of Knowledge

Theory of Knowledge concerns the ways in which we know, the extent and limitations of our knowledge, and the different kinds of knowledge produced by different subject methodologies. The course is taught in the regular schedule by a team of teachers with different subject specialisms. Theory of Knowledge is not a philosophy course in the traditional sense – although it shares some features of philosophy – but is a space in the programme in which students are encouraged to reflect on their own learning.

Theory of knowledge is assessed through written essays, a presentation, and for semester reports through a reflective journal.

The Extended Essay

The Extended Essay is an opportunity to deepen and enrich your understanding of a subject – or, in the case of a World Studies essay, to explore the ways in which multiple subjects can illuminate a question of global importance. You choose the question and then work on the essay in your own time, with guidance and advice from a teacher supervisor. The essay is a major piece of written work – up to 4000 words long – and a real chance to express yourself! The guide Extended Essay @ ISL gives more details on choosing and developing your essay.

Creativity, Action and Service

Creativity, Action and Service is a way for you to use your learning in the IB DP to make a difference – both to yourself, to your community, and to the world at large. You will be encouraged to choose and then develop your own projects – creative (for example, learning to play an instrument, or performing in a school drama production), active (for example, staying fit or playing sport), or to help others (for example, through charity work or volunteering).

Grades for the core elements are factored together to generate up to 3 additional 'core points.'CAS does not in fact generate points, but you are required to produce a portfolio of your projects and activities (at ISL, through Managebac) in order to receive the Diploma.

Theory of knowledge							
Tok/EE	Α	В	С	D	E		
Α	3	3	2	2			
В	3	2	2	1	Failing		
С	2	2	1	0	Failing condition		
D	2	1	0	0			
E	Failing condition						

The diploma points matrix

How core points are awarded in the IBDP

Your IB learning experience is not about what information you can absorb, but what skills you can gain, and how the way you approach and exchange knowledge can alter your way of thinking and your personal world view.

Anna, ISL graduate who achieved a maximum 45 points in her Diploma exams

How to assemble your Diploma

To study the full IB Diploma at ISL, you need to select

- 1 subject at least from each of groups 1, 3, 4 and 5
- Either another language from group 1 or a language from group 2
- Either group 6 Visual Art or any other subject from groups 2, 3, 4.
- The 'Core elements' of Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay and Creativity, Action, Service (CAS) are compulsory for all Diploma students.

From the subjects you chose, you must study

- At least 3 at Higher Level (you may study 4)
- 3 at Standard Level (2 if you study 4 HL)

Table 2 which is the IB Diploma option choices form, should help you make this selection.

Block	Subjects	Levels a (Please)
Α	Literature (Please state your chosen language of literary study.)	SL		HL	
	ENGLISH A Language and Literature	SL		HL	
B1	ENGLISH B	SL		HL	
B2	CHINESE B FRENCH B SPANISH B	Ab Ab Ab	SL SL SL		HL HL HL
C	HISTORY GEOGRAPHY PSYCHOLOGY BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT	SL SL SL SL		HL HL HL	
D	PHYSICS BIOLOGY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS AND SOCIETIES	SL SL SL		HL HL	
E	MATHEMATICS MATHEMATICAL STUDIES	SL SL		HL	
F	VISUAL ARTS CHEMISTRY ECONOMICS (Or you may choose a language from block B2)	SL SL SL		HL HL HL	

Notes

For a full IB Diploma you must have chosen:

One language in BLOCK A

ISL strives to offer every student a teacher for literary study in their mother tongue, but this will depend on availability. English is available only as Language and Literature.

One choice from either block B1 or B2

ISL cannot accept students at English B Ab Initio level; as the rest of the programme is taught in English, a minimum of English B SL is required. Availability of languages in block B2 at Ab Initio level will depend on numbers.

One choice each from blocks C, D and E

One choice in block F or an additional language choice in block B2.

i just had my first lecture week for my law degree at Manchester University and it has been an amazing and interesting experience. The IB had really prepared me well for this journey.

Lorena Cristiano, Class of 2015

How to decide? What do I do well in? What do I find rewarding? What do I want to be??

What should I study?

You should study what interests you, and what you enjoy. After all, your study now could affect the path you take in your later career, so it is good to work out what you like best now. The IB model allows for a lot of breadth (six subjects) when compared – for example – to the UK national system, or national systems elsewhere. At the same time, it allows for specialism of study through the selection of Higher Level subjects.

		Theory of knowledge					
		Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6 Electives
	Physical sciences or engineering	Italian Lit	English B HL	Geography Psychology	Physics HL	Mathematics HL	Chemistry HL
Study?	Medicine	English Language & Literature	French B	Geography Psychology	Biology HL	Mathematics HL	Chemistry HL
What to Stu	Business Management, Economics	Spanish A Lit.	English B HL	Any	Any	Mathematics HL or SL	Economics HL
	Fine Art Design	French A HL	English A HL or English B HL	Any	Αηγ	Mathematics SL or Math Studies SL	Art HL
	Architecture	French A HL	English A HL or English B HL	Any	Physics HL	Mathematics HL	Art HL

Some typical examples of IB DP subject choices for different career paths

How will my learning be assessed?

You will be assessed against IB standards in your subject from day one of your programme. However, the grades you are given will be of two kinds.

Semester grades

Semester grades are given for work you do in class or for homework during the course of a semester. A semester is half an academic year:

Semester 1 runs from September to January Semester 2 runs from February to June

So semester grades might be given for just one kind of assessment task: maybe a test, or a set of problems you have to solve for homework, a presentation to class or an oral examination. All grades are given using the IB 1-7 scale in subjects, or A-E for the core elements of ToK and Extended Essay (see http://www.ibo.org/diploma/recognition/guide/ slidef.cfm for more information). In addition your progress with CAS is 'rated' as satisfactory or unsatisfactory, based on your Managebac portfolio.

At the end of the semester, your semester grades are averaged and an overall grade from 1-7 is given for the subjects. The contribution made by each kind of task to this average – the weighting – is designed to reflect the final grades you will get from the IB. Appendix A gives the semester assessment weightings for all subject groups in the school. However, note that the semester grade is not the same as the final exam grade – it is measuring your performance under very different conditions.

Examination grades

In addition to semester grades, you will have internal examinations at the end of each semester. The examinations are carried out under the same conditions and rules as the final IB examinations. Examinations are cumulative or 'synoptic' – that is, they cover everything you have learnt up to that point. The grade you are given for your examination is recorded and reported separately from the semester grades, and is used to track your progress through the IB Diploma programme in the school. Examination grades are used as evidence when teachers have to make predicted grades, for example when you apply to university. Examination grades are also used to inform decisions about your registration status for grade 12.

Note however that the school's internal examination grades do not affect your final IB grade – that depends only on coursework you complete over the two years of the programme, and on your performance in the final examinations in May of grade 12.

Coursework

Coursework refers generally to any work that you complete during the two years of your IBDP, that is formally graded and will contribute to your final IB grade. Coursework is sometimes graded by an external IB examiner, and so must be sent to the IB during grade 12. Sometimes coursework is 'internally assessed,' which means that your teacher grades it, but a sample of their grading is then sent to the IB for checking in a process called moderation. Either way, the most important thing is to plan your time carefully and make sure you meet all the deadlines for coursework. Most of the deadlines fall in grade 12 – inevitably, since that is when you have learnt the most and so can demonstrate your highest levels of achievement.

Appendix B gives an overview of the coursework requirements in different subjects.

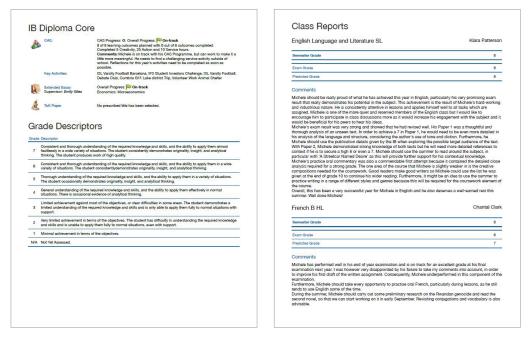
How will I be informed about my progress?

Semester grades

You and your parents will receive full academic reports each semester. These are posted online in .pdf format in Managebac, although the school can issue hard (paper) copies on request.

The semester report includes

- Semester averages (1-7) for every subject
- Semester exam grades (1-7) for every subject
- Theory of Knowledge grade (A-E)
- Extended Essay progress rating (satisfactory / unsatisfactory)
- CAS progress rating (satisfactory / unsatisfactory)
- Information on your attendance and punctuality to school)
- Comments by your form tutor, the Head of DP College, and each of your class teachers



Sample pages from a semester report

From semester 2 of grade 11 your report will also include an interim predicted grade or 'IPG.' This is your teachers' prediction of your likely performance in the final examinations at the end of grade 12, based on the evidence of your progress so far. Predicted grades are important for university applications and for setting personal targets.

When you receive your report each semester you will have the opportunity to discuss your progress and set targets in a semester academic review meeting with the Head of DP College. Your parents will also have a chance to discuss your progress with you and your teachers at parent-teacher conferences.

Semester grades

Midway through semester 1 of grade 11, around October vacation, you will receive an interim progress report. This is a brief appraisal of how well you have started your IB DP, of your work and study in classes. There are no academic grades on this report.

What qualifications will I gain from the school?

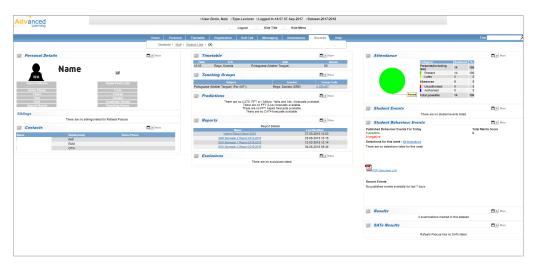
³ Note that ISL is an IB-only school. We do not award a High School Diploma formally accredited in the United States or other countries as our programme is designed to meet the expectations of the IBDP only. Hopefully you will of course gain an IB Diploma, or IB Course Certificates!

The school also issues a Graduation Diploma at the end of grade 12. This is a document that confirms you completed all the requirements of our DP College programme, as detailed in the ISL High School Diploma Award Conditions. This is often an important document if you are applying to university or for work in countries such as the USA, Canada or Japan. ³

What tools are available to help me learn?

We use a number of online tools to help you learn, and to help your parents stay in touch and engaged with your learning.

ISL eportal is used for school administrative information such as your attendance, your personal details, timetable, behaviour records, school notices and information and so on. All ISL parents are issued with a private login for ISL eportal on arrival. You can access eportal through the school's website or via https://eportal.isllondon.org/eportal



Managebac (*https://islondon.managebac.com/*) is our Virtual Learning Environment. It is provided by Faria System Ltd. to many IB schools worldwide, as it is designed specifically for use with IB programmes. Managebac is where you can find your own class calendars, deadlines, course descriptions and teaching timeline, semester reports, Extended Essay blog, Theory of Knowledge pages, and also extra-curricular activities such as clubs and societies. All students in IB DP are issued with a personal login for Managebac on arrival. It is your responsibility to keep an eye on your Managebac area, to make sure that you are not missing important information or deadlines.

www.Turnitin.com is an internationally utilised plagiarism / authenticity checking system. Your teachers routinely use it to check that your coursework and other assessments are your original work. This is a requirement of the school's policy on academic integrity; submission of work that is taken from another source without permission (plagiarised) or which is not your own, independent work (collusion) can lead to disqualification from the IB Diploma. When you upload work electronically to a class dropbox in ManageBac, usually it is automatically submitted to Turnitin, so you don't need to worry about doing this.

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In addition to eportal and ManageBac, you will also be given access to online learning resources such as interactive e-texts in most subjects, as well as tools for helping you to research and choose university courses.

And what happens next?

During grades 11 and 12 you will receive help in identifying and applying to university courses. The university guidance programme includes:

- Visits to the Diploma College by admissions personnel from leading universities worldwide
- Visits to universities, and the UCAS conference, during grade 11
- Individualised online guidance using Higher Ideas and Bridge-U
- A meeting with a university guidance counsellor each semester to discuss your choices
- Tutorial support with preparing your applications, writing UCAS Personal Statements, and applications essays
- Parent workshops on 'Where in the world to study?' and 'Applying to University'

During Grade 11, you will begin this process by researching what is out there, and what options are available. After the summer term examinations at the end of Grade 11 you will receive your first predicted grades which will give you an indication of the grades that your teachers expect you to achieve by the end of the course. These grades will help you decide which universities and degree programmes are most suitable for you. The predicted grades are then revised again in Grade 12, after the winter term 'mock' examinations. Appendix A gives some information on university destinations for ISL students.

Is there life outside the IB DP?

You're going to be busy, so be ready for that. However there are a number of other activities you can join that are not formally part of your IB DP – although they may contribute to CAS! These are called After School Activities and lists are published each term. Examples include Model United Nations, Drama Club, music lessons and concerts, as well as our sports teams' participation in the International Schools Sports Association (ISSA) tournaments.

You may even have time for a social life!

Appendix A Sample university destinations

The information below is based on ISL graduate destinations from 2000-2016.

Table 1 Number of graduates by country of destination.

Code	Country	Count	% of total
CAN	Canada	4	2%
FRA	France	3	1%
GER	Germany	1	1%
HUN	Hungary	1	1%
ITA	Italy	3	1%
JAP	Japan	24	11%
NEL	Netherlands	2	1%
SWI	Switzerland	2	1%
UK	United Kingdom	172	76%
USA	United States of America	12	5%
SPA	Spain	2	1%

Chart 1

% graduates by destination country

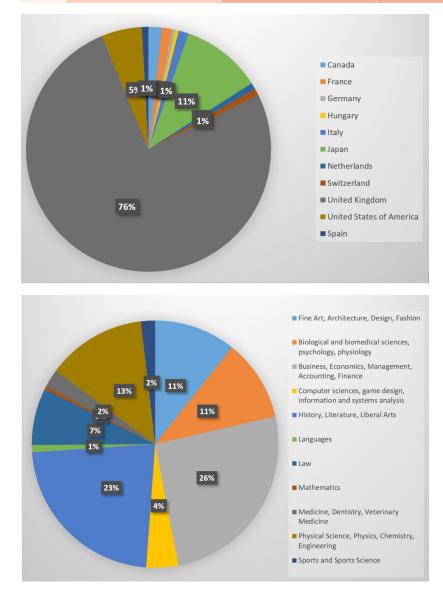


Chart 2 % graduates by sector

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Total	University	Country	Course
45	Edinburgh University	UK	Fine Art
44	University of Oxford	UK	Mechanical Engineering
44	ТВС	JAP	
43	University of Oxford	UK	Chemistry
43	University of Oxford	UK	Philosophy; Politics; Economics
43	ТВС	JAP	
42	Tokyo Science University	JAP	Sciences
42	Wərwick	UK	History
41	ТВС	JAP	
41	University College London	UK	Medicine
41	University College London	UK	Law with French Law
41	Loughborough Univeristy	UK	Foundation Art and Design
41	St. Andrew's University	UK	Neuroscience
41	UCL	UK	Biochemistry
41	King's College London	UK	Biomedical Sciences
41	Northeastern University	USA	International Business
41	City and Guilds School of Art	UK	Fine Art (Foundation)
41	Hitotsubashi University	JAP	Sociology
40	City University	UK	Management
40	Kyoto University	JAP	Law
40	King's College London	UK	Business and Management
40	McGill University, Canada	CAN	Philosophy; Politics; Economics
40	King's College London	UK	Law
40	Hokkaido University	JAP	Science and Technology
40	Imperial College, London	UK	Electronic and electrical engineering
39	King's College London	UK	English
38	Ecole Polytechnique Federal de Lausanne	SWI	Chemistry
38	University College London	UK	Information Science
38	University of York	UK	English
38	Technical UniversityBudapest	HUN	Computing
38	University of Chicago	USA	Economics
38	Queen Mary, London	UK	Economics; Finance & Management
38	University of Surrey	UK	Business and Management with Spanish
38	Bath University	UK	Business and Management
37	Lancaster University	UK	Management
37	University of Warwick	UK	Psychology/Philosophy
37	Keio University	JAP	Literature
37	Edinburgh	UK	Social Anthropology
37	King's	UK	Human Sciences
37	Royal Holloway	UK	Psychology
37	Queen Mary, University of London	UK	International Relations

IB Total	University	Country	Course
37	University of the Arts London	UK	Art Foundation
37	Exeter University	UK	European Law
37	Queen Mary, University of London	UK	Economics and Finance
37	King's College London	UK	International relations
36	St George's Medical School	UK	Medicine
36	Imperial College, London	UK	Mathematics/Management
36	Kyoto University Japan	JAP	Law
36	Exeter	UK	Psychology
36	School of Pharmacy	UK	Pharmacy
36	Exeter	UK	Law with German Law
36	Exeter	UK	Psychology
36	School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) University of London	UK	International relations and Economics
36	Glasgow School of Art	UK	Architecture
36	Central Saint Martin's School of Art	UK	Foundation Art and Design
	(University of the Arts London)		
35	Imperial College, London	UK	Materials Science
35	Queen Mary's, London	UK	French
35	King's College, London	UK	English Language and Communication
35	Durham	UK	Anthropology
35	City	UK	Mechanical Engineering
35	Exeter University	UK	Ləw
35	TBC	JAP	
35	University of Surrey	UK	International Relations
35	Exeter University	UK	International Relations
35	King's College London	UK	International Relations
35	Kent University	UK	Architecture
35	TBC	JAP	
34	University of Cardiff	UK	Psychology
34	Ecole Superieure du Commerce	FRA	Commerce
34	University of Sussex	UK	Development Studies with French
34	Queen Mary, London	UK	Economics & Finance
34	City	UK	Law
34	Royal Holloway	UK	Management
34	Royal Holloway	UK	Management
34	Brunel	UK	Computer Science
34	University of the Arts London	UK	Fashion Public Relations
34	Royal Holloway University London	UK	Management with International Business
34	Edinburgh University	UK	Ancient History
34	Royal Holloway University London	UK	Biochemistry
34	King's College London	UK	Liberal Arts

IB Total	University	Country	Course
34	ILERI Paris	FRA	Law
34	University of Surrey	UK	Aeronautical Engineering
33	Queen Mary University of London	UK	Economics and Management
33	University of Manchester	UK	Business and Management
33	University of West Virginia	USA	Business and Management
33	City University	UK	Business Studies
33	University College, London	UK	Archaeology
33	Yokohama National University	JAP	Sociology
33	University of Surrey	UK	Business
33	King's College, London	UK	Business Management
33	Kent	UK	Law
33	Sacred Heart Milan	ITA	Economics/Management
33	Queen Mary, University of London	UK	Politics with Business Management
33	Brunel University	UK	Business and Management
33	University of Birmingham	UK	Chemical engineering
33	University of Leicester	UK	Finance and Accounting
33	TBC	JAP	
32	Brunel University	UK	e-commerce
32	Royal Holloway	UK	Management with Economics
32	Goldsmith's, University of London	UK	Anthropology and Media
32	City University	UK	International Politics
32	Edinburgh University	UK	Accounting and Finance
32	Exeter	UK	International Relations
32	University of Manchester	UK	Ləw
32	University of Arizona	USA	Music management
32	Regent's University London	UK	International Business
32	School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) University of London	UK	International Relations and Politics
31	University of Westminster	UK	Psychology
31	Middlesex University	UK	Ləw
31	Royal Holloway, University of London	UK	Politics and International Relations
31	Aberystwyth University	UK	International Politics
31	University College London	UK	Physics
31	University of Kent	UK	International Business
31	Queen Mary University of London	UK	Engineering (Integrated foundation)
31	Queen Mary University of London	UK	Electronic and electrical engineering
30	CEU San Pablo	SPA	Biomedical Sciences
30	Queen Mary, University of London	UK	International Relations
30	Oxford Brooks University	UK	Planning and Property Development
30	King's College, London	UK	Mechanical Engineering
30	University of Kent	UK	Physics

IB Total	University	Country	Course
30	St. Mary's University of London	UK	Fim and Media Arts
30	Oxford Brooks University	UK	Sports and Communication Studies
30	Greenwich University	UK	Journalism and Public Relations
30	Exeter	UK	International Relations
30	Stanford University	USA	Neuroscience
30	Technical University Kaiserslautern	GER	Chemistry and Social Science for teaching
30	University of Manchester	UK	Biomedical Sciences
30	London Metropolitan University	UK	Foundation Art and Design
29	ТВС	JAP	
29	Concordia, Canada	CAN	Business
29	University of Surrey	UK	Management
29	University New South Wales	AUS	Architecture
29	Brunel	UK	Law
29	George Washington, USA	USA	International Relations
29	Wagningen	NET	Environmental Studies
29	Aberystwyth University	UK	Business and Management
29	Greenwich University	UK	Computer Science
29	Falmouth University	UK	Game Design
28	Brunel University	UK	Information Systems and Computing
28	London College of Fashion	UK	Art
28	Brunel University	UK	Law
28	University of Mary Washington	UK	Liberal Arts
28	University of the Arts London	UK	Public Relations & Events Management
28	University of British Colimbia	CAN	Economics and Management
28	University of Westminster	UK	Property and Urban Planning
28	Northumbria University	UK	Sports Management
28	Arts University Bournemouth	UK	Film
27	University of Surrey	UK	Engineering
27	University of Cardiff	UK	Business
27	Waseda University	JAP	Literature
27	Leeds University	UK	Business/Spanish
27	Westminster University	UK	Biochemistry
27	University of Aberdeen	UK	Marine Biology
27	Saitama University	JAP	Business
27	Kent	UK	Politics
27	Roehampton University	UK	Psychology and Criminology
27	Westminster	UK	Psychology
27	Plymouth University	UK	Economics
26	University College, London	UK	Civil Engineering
26	Brunel University	UK	Engineering
26	Bocconi-Milan	ITA	Economics

IB Totəl	University	Country	Course
26	Nihon University	JAP	Veterinary Science
26	City University London	UK	Engineering
26	Queen Mary University of London	UK	Natural Sciences
26	Waseda University	JAP	Politics
26	Shanghai British College	CHI	Business and Management
26	University of Maine	USA	Psychology
26	Institute of Education, University of London	UK	Education studies
26	Anglia Ruskin University	UK	Business and Management
25	Kingston University	UK	History with Politics
25	Kent	UK	History
25	University of West of England	UK	Creative Product Design
25	Plymouth	UK	Marketing
25	HULT Business School	UK	Business and Management
25	Keele University	UK	Film Studies and Environmental Science
25	ТВС	SPA	
25	Bicocca University Milan	ITA	Geology
24	Middlesex University	UK	Advertising and Media
24	University of Wolverhampton	UK	Foundation Art and Design
24	Architectural Association	UK	Architecture
24	Camberwell School of Art, University of the Arts London	UK	Art
24	Glion Hotel School	SWI	Hotel Management
24	Kent University	UK	Politics and International Relations
24	Kingston University	UK	International business
24	Manchester Metropolitan University	UK	Business and Economics
23	University Texas San Antonio	USA	Liberal Arts
23	Aberdeen University	UK	Mechanical Engineering
22	Brunel University	UK	Information Systems
21	University of California	USA	Film
20	University of Vermont	USA	Liberal Arts
20	Kingston University	UK	Mechanical Engineering
20	Southampton Solent	UK	Ship & Port Management
20	Kingston University	UK	Mechanical Engineering
20	University of West London	UK	Psychology (Integrated Foundation)
20	Bradford University	UK	Chemical engineering
20	Southampton Solent	UK	Foundation Football Studies
19	European Business School	UK	International Business (Integrated Foun- dation)
18	Aoyama University	JAP	History
18	Hertfordshire University	UK	Automotive Engineering
17	Coventry University	UK	Foundation Business
17	University College Birmingham	UK	FDg Leisure Management

Appendix B Summary of IB assessed components by subject group

These pages tell you what assessments you must complete for your final IB grade.

01 Subject group Studies in Language and Literature

English Language and Literature

Standard leve	el		
External assessment 3 hours	70%	Paper 1: Textual analysis 1 hour 30 minutes The paper consists of two unseen texts.Students write an analysis of one of these texts. 20 marks Paper 2: Essay 1 hour 30 minutes In response to one of six questions students write an essay based on both the literary texts studied in part 3. The questions are the same at HL but the assessment criteria are different. 25 marks Written task Students produce at least three written tasks based on material studied in the course. Students submit one written task for external assessment. 20 marks This task must be 800–1,000 words in length plus a rationale of 200–300 words.	25% 25% 20%
Internal assessment This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	30%	Individual oral commentary Students comment on an extract from a literary text studied in part 4 of the course. 30 marks Students are given two guiding questions. Further oral activity Students complete at least two further oral activities, one based on part 1 and one based on part 2 of the course. The mark of one further oral activity is submitted for final assessment. 30 marks	15% 15%
Higher level			
External assessment 4 hours	70%	 Paper 1: Comparative textual analysis 2 hours The paper consists of two pairs of unseen texts. Students write a comparative analysis of one pair of texts. 20 marks Paper 2: Essay 2 hours In response to one of six questions students write an essay based on at least two of the literary texts studied in part 3. The questions are the same at SL but the assessment criteria are different. 25 marks Written task Students produce at least four written tasks based on material studied in the course. Students submit two of these tasks for external assessment. (20 marks for each task) One of the tasks submitted must be a critical response to one of the prescribed questions for the HL additional study. Each task must be 800–1,000 words in length plus a rationale of 200–300 words.	25% 25% 20%
Internal assessment This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	30%	Individual oral commentary Students comment on an extract from a literary text studied in part 4 of the course. 30 marks Students are given two guiding questions. Further oral activity Students complete at least two further oral activities, one based on part 1 and one based on part 2 of the course. The mark of one further oral activity is submitted for final assessment. 30 marks	15%

Literature

Standard level			
External assessment 3 hours	70%	Paper 1: Guided literary analysis 1 hour 30 minutesThe paper consists of two passages: one prose and one poetry. Students choose one and write a guided literary analysis in response to two questions. 20 marksPaper 2: Essay 1 hour 30 minutesThe paper consists of three questions for each literary genre. In response to one question students write an essay based on at least two works studied in part 3. 25 marksWritten assignmentStudents submit a reflective statement and literary essay on one work studied in part 1. 25 marksThe reflective statement must be 300–400 words in length. The essay must be 1,200–1,500 words in length.	20% 25% 25%
Internal assessment This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	30%	Individual oral commentary 10 minutes Students present a formal oral commentary and answer subsequent questions on an extract from a work studied in part 2. 30 marks Individual oral presentation 10–15 minutes The presentation is based on works studied in part 4. It is internally assessed and externally moderated through the part 2 internal assessment task. 30 marks	15% 15%
Higher level			
External assessment 4 hours	70%	Paper 1: Literary commentary 2 hoursThe paper consists of two passages: one prose and one poetry. Students choose one and write a literary commentary. 20 marksPaper 2: Essay 2 hoursThe paper consists of three questions for each literary genre. In response to one question students write an essay based on at least two works studied in part 3. 25 marksWritten assignmentStudents submit a reflective statement and literary essay on one work studied in part 1. 25 marksThe reflective statement must be 300–400 words in length. The essay must be 1,200–1,500 words in length.	20% 25% 25%
Internal assessment This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	30%	Individual oral commentary and discussion 20 minutes Formal oral commentary on poetry studied in part 2 with subsequent questions (10 minutes) followed by a discussion based on one of the other part 2 works (10 minutes). 30 marks Individual oral presentation 10–15 minutes The presentation is based on works studied in part 4. It is internally assessed and externally moderated through the part 2 internal assessment task. 30 marks	15%

O2 Subject group Language Acquisition

Ab Initio and Standard Level

Standard leve	el		
External assessment	70%	 Paper 1: Receptive skills 1 hour 30 minutes Text-handling exercises on four written texts, based on the core. Paper 2: Written productive skills 1 hour 30 minutes One writing exercise of 250–400 words from a choice of five, based on the options. Written task: Receptive and written productive skills Intertextual reading followed by a written exercise of 300–400 words plus a 100-word rationale, based on the core. 	25% 25% 20%
Internal assessment Internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB.	30%	Individual oral commentary 8–10 minutes Based on the options: 15 minutes' preparation time and a 10-minute (maximum) presentation and discussion with the teacher. Interactive oral activity Based on the core: Three classroom activities assessed by the teacher.	15% 15%
Higher level			
External assessment	70%	 Paper 1: Receptive skills 1 hour 30 minutes Text-handling exercises on five written texts, based on the core. 20 marks Paper 2: Written productive skills 1 hour 30 minutes Two compulsory writing exercises. Section A: One task of 250–400 words, based on the options, to be selected from a choice of five. Section B: Response of 150–250 words to a stimulus text, based on the core. Written assignment: Receptive and written productive skills Creative writing of 500–600 words plus a 150-word rationale, based on one of the literary texts read. 	25% 25% 20%
Internal assessment Internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB.	30%	Individual oral 8–10 minutes Based on the options: 15 minutes' preparation time and a 10-minute (maximum) presentation and discussion with the teacher. Interactive oral activity Based on the core: Three classroom activities assessed by the teacher.	20%

03 Subject group Individuals and societies

Economics

Standard level				
External assessment	80%	Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes An extended response paper. 50 marks	40%	
3 hours		Paper 2 1 hour 30 minutes A data response paper. 40 marks	40%	
Internal	20%	This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	20%	
assessment 20 teaching hours		Students produce a portfolio of three commentaries, based on different sections of the syllabus and on published extracts from the news media. Maximum 750 words x 3. 45 marks		
Higher level				
External assessment 4 hours	80%	Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes Paper 2 1 hour 30 minutes A data response paper. 40 marks Paper 3 1 hour	30% 30% 20%	
	2001	HL extension paper. 50 marks	20%	
Internal assessment 20 teaching hours	20%	This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.Students produce a portfolio of three commentaries, based on different sections of the syllabus and on published extracts from the news media. Maximum 750 words x 3. 45 marks	20%	

History

Standard leve	Standard level			
External assessment 2 hours 30	75%	Paper 1 1 hour Route 1: Two prescribed subjects, Route 2: Three prescribed subjects Four short-answer/structured questions. 25 marks	30%	
minutes		Paper 2 1 hour 30 minutes Routes 1 and 2: Five topics Two extended-response questions. 40 marks	45%	
Internal assessment	25%	Historical investigation on any area of the syllabus Approximately 20 hours, 25 marks	25%	
Higher level				
External assessment 5 hours	80%	Paper 1 1 hour Route 1: Two prescribed subjects, Route 2: Three prescribed subjects Four short-answer/structured questions. 25 marks	20%	
		Paper 2 1 hour 30 minutes Routes 1 and 2: Five topics Two extended-response questions. 40 marks	25%	
		Paper 3 2 hours 30 minutes Tthree extended-response questions. 60 marks	35%	
Internal assessment	20%	Historical investigation on any area of the syllabus Approximately 20 hours, 25 marks	20%	

Geography

Standard lev	el		
External assessment 2 hours 50 minutes	75%	Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutesSyllabus content: Core themeSection A: Students answer all short-answer questions. Someinclude data. 45 marksSection B: Students answer one extended response question. 15marksSection A and section B are common to both SL and HLassessment. 60 marksPaper 2 1 hour 20 minutesSyllabus content: Two optional themes 40 marks	40%
Internal assessment 20 hours	25%	This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course. Syllabus content: Any topic from the syllabus Written report based on fieldwork. Maximum 2,500 words (30 marks) 30 marks	25%
Higher level			
External assessment 4 hours 30 minutes	80%	 Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes Syllabus content: Core theme Section A: Students answer all short-answer questions. Some include data. 45 marks Section B: Students answer one extended response question. 15 marks Section A and section B are common to both SL and HL assessment. 60 marks Paper 2 2 hours Syllabus content: Three optional themes Students answer three structured questions based on stimulus material, each selected from a different theme. For each theme there is a choice of two questions. 20 marks per question Some stimulus material is included in the resources booklet. This paper is common to both SL and HL assessment. 60 marks Paper 3 1 hour Syllabus content: Higher level extension Students answer one of three essay questions. 25 marks 	25% 35% 20%
Internal assessment 20 hours	20%	This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course. Syllabus content: Any topic from the syllabus Written report based on fieldwork. Maximum 2,500 words 30 marks	20%
Psychology	standa	ard level	
External assessment 3 hours	75%	Paper 1 2 hoursSection A: Three compulsory questions on part 1 of the syllabus.Section B: Three questions on part 1 of the syllabus. Students choose one question to answer in essay form. 46 marksPaper 2 1 hourFifteen questions on part 2 of the syllabus. Students choose one question to answer in essay form. 22 marks	50% 25%
Internal assessment	25%	A report of a simple experimental study conducted by the student. 20 marks	25%

04 Subject group Sciences

All sciences have the same assessment format.

Standard level			
External assessment 3 hours	80%	Paper 1 45 minutes30 multiple-choice questionsPaper 2 1 hour 15 minutesExtended response questionsPaper 3 1 hourExtended response questions	20% 40% 20%
Internal assessment	20%	Internally assessed laboratory work	20%
Higher level			
External assessment	80%	Paper 1 1 hour 40 multiple-choice questions Paper 2 2 hour 15 minutes Extended response questions Paper 3 1 hour 15 minutes Extended response questions	20% 36% 24%
Internal assessment	20%	Internally assessed laboratory work	20%

05 Subject group Mathematics

Higher level			
External assessment 5 hours	80%	 Paper 1 2 hours No calculator allowed. 120 marks Section A: Compulsory short-response questions based on the core syllabus. Section B: Compulsory extended-response questions based on the core syllabus. Paper 2 2 hours Graphic display calculator required. 120 marks Section A: Compulsory short-response questions based on the core syllabus. Section A: Compulsory short-response questions based on the core syllabus. Section A: Compulsory extended-response questions based on the core syllabus. Section B: Compulsory extended-response questions based on the core syllabus. Paper 3 1 hours Graphic display calculator required. 60 marks Compulsory extended-response questions based mainly on the syllabus options. 	30% 30% 20%
Internal assessment		This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	
Mathematical exploration	20%	This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	

Standard level			
External assessment 3 hours	80%	 Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes No calculator allowed. 90 marks Section A: Compulsory short-response questions based on the whole syllabus. Section B: Compulsory extended-response questions based on the whole syllabus. Paper 2 1 hour 30 minutes Graphic display calculator required. 90 marks Section A: Compulsory short-response questions based on the whole syllabus. Section B: Compulsory extended-response questions based on the whole syllabus. 	40%
Internal assessment		This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	
Mathematical exploration	20%	Internal assessment in mathematics SL is an individual exploration. T a piece of written work that involves investigating an area of mather 20 marks	

Mathematical Studies SL

External assessment 3 hours	80%	Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes15 compulsory short-response questions based on the wholesyllabus. 90 marksPaper 2 1 hour 30 minutes6 compulsory extended-response questions based on the wholesyllabus. 90 marks	40% 40%
Internal assessment		This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	
Project	20%	The project is an individual piece of work involving the collection of information or the generation of measurements, and the analysis an evaluation of the information or measurements. 20 marks	

06 Subject group The Arts – Visual Art

Option A			
External assessment 3 hours	60%	Part 1 Comparative study Part 2 Process portfolio	20% 40%
Internal assessment	40%	Part 3 Exhibition	

ife at ISL was full of discoveries, activities designed to make you "live" each subject and learn actively. Academic subjects are not everything when it comes to creating the individual. This is indeed what a school helps parents do. There are so many more aspects to education than academics and ISL has it all.



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