

# IB

## (aka International Baccalaureate Diploma Program®)

#### What is the IB Program?

The International Baccalaureate (IB)\* program is a rigorous pre-university program, primarily aimed at students aged 16 to 19, available worldwide through the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO). The IB Diploma Program is a challenging two-year curriculum leading to assessment in six subject areas (Best Language, Second Language, Individuals and Societies, Experimental Science, Mathematics and Computer Science, and the Arts). The subject exams are scored on a 1-7 scale by a panel of international examiners. A minimum score of 4 is required to be considered for credit.

\*In compliance with SB111, TAMU-Commerce offers at least 24 hours of credit to all IB diploma candidates with subject exam scores of 4 or higher. Students with IB certificates or individual exam scores will have their transcripts evaluated on a subject by subject basis.

Texas A&M University-Commerce must receive official scores directly from IB to consider awarding credit.

#### How are students assessed?

At the end of the two-year program, students are assessed both internally by teachers, who mark individual pieces of work produced as part of a course of study and externally in ways that measure individual performance against stated objectives for each subject. The grading system is criterion based (results are determined by performance against set standards, not by each student's position in the overall rank order). The grades awarded for each course range from 1 (lowest) to 7 (highest). The diploma is awarded to students who gain at least 24 points, subject to certain minimum levels of performance across the whole diploma and to satisfactory participation in creativity, action, and service (CAS).

**For More information:** Visit the Texas A&M - Commerce Testing Center located in the Student Access and Success Center or on the web at http://www.tamuc.edu/academics/testingOffice/default.aspx.

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## **IB Exams for Credit at Texas A&M-Commerce:**

IB Course	Exam Level	Req. Score	TAMU-Commerce Course(s)	Sem. Credit Hrs
	Bes	t Language		
Language A1	(SL)	4 or higher	ENG 1301 & 1302	6
	(HL)		ENG 1301, 1302 & 2326	9
	Seco	nd Language		<u>.</u>
Language A2	(SL)	4 or higher	SPAN 131, 132, 231 & 232	12
	(SL)		FREN 131, 132, 231, 232	12
Language B	(SL)	4 or higher	SPAN 131 & 132	6
	(SL)		FREN 131, & 132	6
Language ab intitio	(SL)	4 or higher	SPAN 131	3
	(SL)		FREN 131	3
	Individua	als and Socie	ties	<u> </u>
Business & Mgmt.	(SL)	(SL) 4 or higher (HL)	BA 195	3
	(HL)		BA 195 & MGMT 305	6
Economics	(SL)	4 or higher	ECO 2301 & 2302	6
History	(SL)	4 or higher	HIST 1301 & 1302	6
Philosophy	(SL)	4 or higher	PHIL 1302	3
Psychology	(SL)	4 or higher	PSYC 2301	3
Social & Cultural Anthropology	(SL)	4 or higher	ANTH 2351	3
	Experin	nental Sciene	ce	
Biology	(SL) or (HL)	4 or higher	BIO 1411 & 1413	8
Chemistry	(SL)	4 or higher	CHEM 1411 & 1412	8
Environmental Systems	(SL)	4 or higher	ENVS 1301	4
Physics	(SL)	4 or higher	PHYS 1401 & 1402	8
	Mathematics	& Computer	Science	
Mathematics (HL)	(HL)	4 or higher	MATH 2312 & 2413	7
Further Mathematics	(SL)	4 or higher	MATH 2312 & 2413	7
Mathematical Methods	(SL)	4 or higher	MATH 1325 & 2414	7
Mathematical Studies	(SL)	4 or higher	MATH 1324	3
Computer Science	(SL)	4 or higher	CSCI 126, 151, & 152	9
	(HL)		CSCI 126, 151, 152, & 270	12
	1	۲he Arts		
Visual Arts	(SL)	4 or higher	ART 1303 & 1304 w/ departmental exam	6
Music	(SL)	4 or higher	MUS 110 & 111	6
Theater Arts	(SL)	4 or higher	THE 210	3