

International Baccalaureate Organisation



IB Students Must take Six Exams

1. English
2. History
3. Science
4. Math
5. Foreign Language
6. Elective Choice –
 - ❖ Second Science
 - ❖ Music
 - ❖ Psychology
 - ❖ Visual Arts
 - ❖ Geography
 - ❖ Theatre Arts

3 Higher Level (HL) Tests

3 Standard Level (SL) Tests

Most Common Test Combination:

HL

English

History

Biology

SL

Language B

Math

Psychology

Exams are graded on a scale of
1 – 7

[40% internal assessment
60% exam]

24 pts. Needed for Diploma

6 exams x 4 = 24

Extended Essay + TOK will add 3
bonus points

- The goal for IB candidates is to score 30 points on the total of their six tests plus the TOK in order to maximize the credit they receive from universities.

U.C. Policy

30 points = 30 units (more than \$31,000)

USC Policy

30 points = 20 semester units (about \$44,000)

Theory of Knowledge

- Theory of Knowledge (TOK) is the core of the International Baccalaureate Program

TOK requires the students to reflect on their roles as knowers.

Theory of Knowledge

- To what extent is truth different in mathematics, the arts, and ethics?
- “We see and understand things not as they are but as we are.” Discuss this claim in relation to at least two ways of knowing
- What similarities and differences are there between historical and scientific explanations?

All IB Candidates Write an Extended Essay

3,500-4000 Words

- Any subject area: English, History, Biology, Visual Arts, Math, Biology, Physics, Economics, Psychology, Theater Arts, Spanish, French, German, Geography, etc.
- History papers must have international flavor.

CAS Requirements

C. Creativity

A. Action

S. Social Service

Equal time spent with each learning outcome.

CAS

- Real, purposeful activities with significant outcomes.
- Undertake new challenges
- Plan, Do and Reflect
- Keep records of activities and achievements: Journals, blogs, weblogs, photo essays, etc.

University Acceptance Rates

	<u>Average %</u>	<u>I.B. %</u>
U.C. Berkeley	25%	60%
Johns Hopkins	33%	83%
Dartmouth	23%	60%
Duke	26%	50%
NYU	29%	76%
Georgetown	21%	51%

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Parent Role:

1. Play the secretary – files
2. Encourage proper Applications
-- Anticipate some denials
3. Be money smart
4. “Cook breakfast”

