

The IB Diploma is a **two-year program** and courses in the IB Diploma are each two years in length. Therefore, **in most cases, students choosing courses in Grade 12 will choose Year 2 of their Grade 11 IB courses.**

Students in Grade 12 of the full IB Diploma Programme take 6 or 7 courses in order to fulfill both the IB and the OSSD requirements; students **MUST** graduate with at least 30 credits that include the 18 compulsory credits required for the OSSD and must take their 30th credit at Ashbury. **Six courses** are taken from the IB subject groupings as a continuation of their Grade 11 IB Programme. Of these course selections, students study **three courses at the Higher level (HL) and three courses at the Standard level (SL)**. Students should select their Higher Level courses based on their level of competence and interest. Universities often have specific entrance requirements; therefore, students should consider their future goals as they plan their choice of SL and HL subjects. Some courses, such as Math HL, begin HL content in Grade 11. A student who has not taken Math HL in Grade 11 cannot choose Math HL in Grade 12.

Progression through Grades for IB DP students

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Total
8 credits	8 credits	IB Groups 1-6 + TOK+ elective= 8 credits	IB Groups 1-6= 6 credits	= 30 credits
		IB Groups 1-6 + TOK = 7 credits	IB Groups 1-6 + elective= 7	= 30 credits

In addition to their six IB subject courses, Full IB Diploma students are required to successfully complete the Core components of the program: CAS, TOK and the Extended Essay. Below is a brief summary of these Core components. Successful completion of the Core components of the program (CAS, EE and TOK) is mandatory for passing the IB Diploma.

Core Requirements of the IB Diploma Program		
TOK	Theory of Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While the course component of TOK finishes at the end of the Grade 11 year, assessments are finalized at the beginning of Grade 12. TOK is both internally and externally assessed through a presentation and an essay.
CAS	Creativity, Activity, Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students create a balanced program of CAS activities from those that Ashbury offers and those external activities in which they may be involved. Students maintain a CAS Portfolio to document their engagement with CAS. This is assessed internally by the CAS Coordinator against the CAS learning outcomes. Each student undertakes a CAS Project that demonstrates their capacity to show initiative, demonstrate perseverance and develop skills like collaboration, decision-making and problem-solving.
EXTENDED ESSAY	Research-based Investigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students choose an area of investigation and develop an individual research question. Working with a supervisor, they undertake research/writing over eight months, submitting the final 4,000-word essay in their Grade 12 year. The extended essay is externally assessed.

In order to make informed course selections, it is essential for students to carefully read the course descriptions and assessment practices provided in the Academic Guide. All IB Diploma Programme course selections are reviewed by the IB Diploma Programme Coordinator, Ms. Shannon Howlett.

Contact Student Services if you have any questions.

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*As the IB Diploma is a two-year curriculum, simply choose Year 2 of your Grade 11 IB Year 1 course.

Area of Study	Course	Selection (v)	Indicate SL or HL
Group 1 Studies in Language and Literature <i>*One English is required</i>	English A- Lang/Lit SL/HL (ENG4US/ENG4UH)		
	English A- Literature SL/HL (ENG4UB)		
	French A- Lang/Lit SL/HL (FIF4UB)		
	Language A Literature - Self-Taught Mother Tongue (SL only)		
Group 2 Language Acquisition	French B SL (FSF4UB/FEF4UB)		
	French B HL (FEF4UB)		
	Ab Initio French (SL only) (FSF2OB)		
	Spanish Ab Initio (SL Only) (LWSCUB)		
	Spanish B SL/HL (LWSDUB)		
Group 3 Individuals & Society	World History SL/HL (IDC4UB)		
	Economics SL/HL (CIA4UB)		
	Global Politics SL/HL (CLN4UB)		
Group 4 Experimental Science	Biology SL/HL (SBI4UB/SBI4UH + SBI9IB)		
	Chemistry SL/HL (SCH4UB/ SCH4UH + SCH9IB)		
	Physics SL/HL (SPH4UB/ SPH4UH + SPH9IB)		
	Computer Science SL/HL (ICS4UB/ICS4UH)		
	*Environmental Systems and Societies (ESS) (CGR4MB + SBI9IB)		
Group 5 Mathematics	Math Applications and Interpretation SL (MDM4UB)		
	Math Analysis and Approaches SL (MCV4UB)		
	Math Analysis and Approaches HL (MCV4UH + MDM4UH)		
Group 6 Arts and IB Elective Courses	Drama SL/HL (ADA4MB)		
	Music SL/HL (AMU4MB)		
	Visual Arts SL/HL (AVI4MB + AVI9IB)		
	OR: A third language OR a 2 nd choice in Group 3 or 4 Name of course: _____		
Non IB Elective	Outside IB Diploma (e.g. PLF4M) Give name of course- _____		
You should have 6-7 courses selected in Grade 12.		TOTAL	
Post-secondary fields of interest (required): Alternate elective:			

- ESS is a one-year course taught in Grade 12. Students planning on taking ESS in Grade 12 are strongly advised to have taken Grade 11 Forces of Nature (CGF3M), Grade 11 Biology (SBI3U) or a suitable equivalent to be approved by the IB Coordinator.
- SBI9IB is the Huntsman Marine Biology Field Study Program. Students taking ESS or Biology HL must participate in the Huntsman trip which takes place one week prior to the start of the Grade 12 year. There is an additional cost of approximately \$880.

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