

DIPLOMA PROGRAMME CURRICULUM

The curriculum is made of the DP core and six subject groups.

DP core **1.Extended essay EE** – is an independent, self-directed piece of research, finished with a 4,000 word paper

2.Theory of knowledge TOK – in which students reflect on the nature of knowledge and on how we know what we claim to know

3.Creativity , activity and service CAS - in which students complete a project related to those three concepts

All three parts of the core are compulsory and are central to the philosophy of the Diploma Programme.

Six subject groups are –

*Studies in language and literature

*Language acquisition

*Individuals and societies

*Sciences

*Mathematics

*The arts

There are different courses within each subject group.

Choosing subjects in the DP

Candidates for the Diploma study six subjects from the subject groups. Students may opt to study additional sciences, individuals and societies, or languages course instead of a course in the arts. Students will take at least three (but no more than four) subjects at higher level HL , and the remaining at standard level SL.

Standard level subjects take up 150 teaching hours. Higher level comprises 240 teaching hours.

HL and SL courses differ in scope but are measured according to the same grade descriptors, with students expected to demonstrate a greater body of knowledge, understanding and skills at higher level.

IB students are assessed on the 7 grade scale, where 7 is the highest grade.