

The IB Diploma is a **two-year program** and courses in the IB Diploma are each two years in length. Therefore, it is essential that students choosing their courses at the beginning of Grade 11 make informed decisions that will ensure their success academically while also keeping their post-secondary options open.

Students in Grade 11 of the full IB Diploma Program take 7 or 8 courses in order to fulfill both the IB and the OSSD requirements. **Six courses** are taken from the IB subject groupings. Of these course selections, students choose to study **three at the Higher level (HL) and three 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 so students should consider their future goals as they plan their choice of SL and HL subjects. Grade 11 IB Diploma students also take Theory of Knowledge as a seventh mandatory course.

Progression through Grades for IB DP students

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11 credits	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 credits	= 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"> – Taken as a seventh subject by Grade 11 IB Diploma students. – 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 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/or external activities. – 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 Program course selections are reviewed by the IB Diploma Program Coordinator, Ms. Shannon Howlett.

Contact Student Services if you have any questions.

IB Coordinator: [Ms. Shannon Howlett](#)

IB Diploma Year 1

Name: _____

Course Selection

NetClassroom Code (See your email): _____

Area of Study	Course	Selection (v)	Indicate SL or HL
Group 1 Studies in Language and Literature <i>*One English must be chosen</i>	English A- Lang/Lit SL/HL (ENG3U)		
	English A- Literature SL/HL (ENG3UB)		
	French A- Lang/Lit SL/HL (FIF3UB)		
	Language A- Self-Taught Mother Tongue (SL only)		
Group 2 Language Acquisition	French B SL (FSF3UB/FEF3UB)		
	French B HL (FEF3UB)		
	Ab Initio French (SL only) (FSF1OB)		
	Spanish Ab Initio (SL Only) (LWSBDB)		
	Spanish B SL/HL (LWSCUB)		
Group 3 Individuals & Society	World History SL/HL (CHY4UB)		
	Economics SL/HL (CIE3MB)		
	Global Politics SL/HL (CPW4UB)		
	Philosophie (en français) (HZB3MBF)		
Group 4 Experimental Science	Biology SL/HL (SBI3UB)		
	Chemistry SL/HL (SCH3UB)		
	Physics SL/HL (SPH3UB)		
	Computer Science SL/HL (ICS3UB)		
	*Environmental Systems and Societies (ESS) Prep Course Name of Course (See note below) _____		
Group 5 Mathematics	Math Studies SL (MCR3U/MCF3M)		
	Math Standard SL (MHF4UB)		
	Math Higher HL (MHF4UH)		
Group 6 Arts and IB Elective Courses	Drama SL/HL (ADA3MB)		
	Music SL/HL (AMU3MB)		
	Visual Arts SL/HL (AVI3MB)		
	OR: A third language OR a 2 nd choice from Group 3 or 4 Name of course: _____		
IB Core Requirement	Theory of Knowledge (HZT4UB) (mandatory)	v	N/A
Non IB Elective	<i>Outside IB Diploma</i> (e.g. PPL3OC)- give name of course _____		
You should have 7-8 credits selected in Grade 11.		TOTAL	
Post-secondary fields of interest (required):			

- Students may choose to continue to study their **mother tongue** through a Self-Taught Language A course. Taking French A or a Self-Taught mother tongue language qualifies students for a Bilingual IB Diploma. Enrollment in Self-Taught mother tongue courses is dependent upon the approval of the IBDP Coordinator. Students in Self-Taught Language A courses are required to pay additional fees for outside tutoring. Self-Taught Courses are awarded one Grade 12 Ontario credit only. **No Grade 11 credit is awarded.**
- *ESS is a one year course taught in Grade 12. Students planning on taking ESS in Grade 12 are strongly advised to take 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.
- Online IB courses: IB Diploma students have an option to do an online course through *Pamoja Education*. Students who are interested in taking online courses should speak to the IBDP Coordinator. While Pamoja online courses count towards completion of the IB Diploma, students **are not granted an Ontario credit.**

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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