



CAP Conference: Post IB Information
2024 Entry

We are an IB World School and we offer two programmes which are both Level 3 Programmes.

Our two programmes are the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) and the International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme.

Both programmes allow students to progress to university at the highest level and to higher level apprenticeships or employment.

Entrance Criteria

Because of the differing nature of the programmes, we have slightly different entrance criteria.

International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme:

- At least seven GCSEs with an average of Grade 6, including English Language and Mathematics.
- For subjects you wish to take at higher level you will ideally need at least a Grade 6.

International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme:

- At least five subjects at GCSE Grade 5 or higher, ideally including Mathematics and English Language
- Preferably with a Grade 5 in your area of specialism.

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

Students study:

- Six subjects – 3 at HL, 3 at SL
 - The three HL subjects are the direct equivalent of A levels giving students depth and specialization
 - The three SL subjects are the ones that keep options open and skills up to date
- A Core Programme of enrichment. Unlike other sixth form programmes, the core is built into the assessment of the IBDP, it comprises:
- Theory of knowledge (ToK) - a critical thinking skills programme.
- Extended Essay- a 4,000 word academic research essay in a subject area and topic entirely of the students' choosing. This is written under the guidance of a supervisor, like a university level thesis.
- Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)- supporting students to develop holistically. We offer sessions including everything from fencing, to netball to pottery and manga artwork under creativity and activity. For service learning, we provide links with a range of local and global opportunities- such as trips that work with our link schools and communities in India, Botswana, Peru and Ethiopia.

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

Students must choose one subject from each of the blocks below. Students can choose which three subjects they would like to take at Higher Level, and which at Standard Level.

You will notice that students can build their programme to suit their needs and aspirations. For example, if a student is interested in going into medicine, they are able to take Higher Level Biology in group three and then pick up Higher Level Chemistry in group six. Or if a student is particularly interested in following a course in PPE at university, they can study Higher Level Economics in group three and pick up Higher Level Global Politics in group six.

You will also note that students must study a language. Language B is a suitable course for students who have had previous study in this area. If a student has not studied a language, or wishes to try a new language from scratch, our ab initio choices of Spanish, Italian or Japanese are on offer.

Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature (A)

- English Language & Literature
- English Literature
- Literature & Performance

Group 2: Language Acquisition

- French B
- Spanish B
- German B
- Spanish Ab Initio
- Japanese Ab Initio
- Italian Ab Initio

Group 3: Individuals and Societies

- History
- Geography
- Psychology
- Economics
- Philosophy

Group 4: Sciences

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Environmental Systems and Societies
- Sports Science
- Computing

Group 5: Maths

- Maths: Analysis and Approaches
- Maths: Applications and Interpretation

Group 6: Free Choice

- Film
- Visual Arts
- Dance
- Music
- Spanish Ab Initio
- French B
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Global Politics
- History
- Business
- Psychology
- Latin

Group 1b: Studies in Language and Literature (A)

- Self-Taught

Group 2b: Language Acquisition

- English B

The International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme

Students Study:

- BTEC (Sports, Performing Arts, Health and Social Care)
- 2 or 3 HL IB subjects which are the direct equivalent to A levels and they compliment, widen or add depth to students' skills
- A Core Programme of enrichment. Unlike other sixth form programmes, the core is built into the assessment of the IBCP, it comprises:
- Personal and Professional Skills (PPS) - a taught course which develops:
 - Transferable skills that are useful in all places of work and education
 - Intercultural understanding
 - Applied ethics
- Reflective Project- a 3,000 word academic research essay which is based on an ethical dilemma related to their BTEC course. This is written under the guidance of a supervisor, like a university level thesis.
- Service Learning- supporting students to develop holistically. We support students to develop community outreach links in areas they are interested in – such as sports coaching, work with main school students, dance classes in our partnership schools etc. We also provide wider links with a range of local and global opportunities- such as trips that work with our link schools and communities in India, Botswana, Peru and Ethiopia.
- Language Development – a programme of supervised self study which develops our students' understanding of a second language and the cultures within which this is spoken. As with all parts of the core, we tailor this to match students interests and aspirations. For example, a sports student may decide to develop their knowledge of Spanish, learning football terminology or a performing arts or health and social care student may decide to learn British Sign Language. This course is not formally examined or tested – students keep a journal of their progress.

The International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme

This programme is for those students who have a particular vocational interest and who would like to broaden their curriculum further. This IBCP is a combination of a vocational career-related study and the International Baccalaureate courses.

Students must choose one of our three Career-related courses on offer and then two or three IB subjects for study at Higher or Standard level from out of any of the other blocks. The IB courses must come from differing blocks.

You will notice that students can build a programme that focusses on one particular area – for example they could choose:

Performing Arts + Literature and Performance + Dance - which would provide a programme for someone with aspirations to go on to performing arts in future.

OR

Sports + Sports science + Biology – which would provide a programme for someone with aspirations to enter physiotherapy in future.

OR they could simply focus on subjects they are interested in, keeping their options open for the future:

Health and Social Care + English Language and Literature + Biology + Visual Arts

<p>Career-Related Study (BTEC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Sport <input type="checkbox"/> Performing Arts <input type="checkbox"/> Health and Social Care 	<p>Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature (A)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> English Language & Literature <input type="checkbox"/> English Literature <input type="checkbox"/> Literature & Performance 	<p>Group 3: Individuals and Societies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> History <input type="checkbox"/> Geography <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology <input type="checkbox"/> Economics <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy 	<p>Group 4: Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Physics <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Systems and Societies <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Science <input type="checkbox"/> Computing 	<p>Group 6: Free Choice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Film <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts <input type="checkbox"/> Dance <input type="checkbox"/> Music <input type="checkbox"/> Maths Apps <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish Ab Initio <input type="checkbox"/> French B <input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Physics <input type="checkbox"/> Global Politics <input type="checkbox"/> History <input type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology <input type="checkbox"/> Latin
	<p>Group 1b: Studies in Language and Literature (A)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Self-Taught 			

Sports Scholarships

Students can opt to join one of our sports scholarships to run alongside either the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme or the International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme.

Our scholarships include:

Football (boys and girls) with Norwich City FC.

Rugby (boys and girls) alongside Northampton Saints.

Handball with Cambridge Handball Club.

Our scholarships are built into our programmes which means that all aspects of the teams' training, matches and analysis sessions are built into the students' timetables. The scholarship leaders work in conjunction with the sixth form team to ensure that progressions and careers opportunities are fully explored.

Performance School

Our performance schools is specifically aimed at students who are following the PA IBCP, and works as a careers enrichment programme. Our students gain opportunities to train with a range of industry specialists to help prepare them for the audition process of applying to conservatoires, drama schools and higher education providers.

Health and Social Care Futures

Those students who follow the Health and Social Care IBCP pathway, and who are interested in moving into allied health care services or medicine will be offered opportunities to work with Addenbrookes as part of their wide work experience provision.

Why Impington International College?

- Small – class sizes in the DP subjects around 10-15
- Excellent pastoral care – we have a bespoke tutor programme that supports students with one-to-one tutorials.
- Excellent careers and progressions support – students receive one-to-one career and progressions meetings with our dedicated careers' lead.
- International – Progressions routes are global
- Successful – excellent pass rates in both of our programmes with 50% of our students holding offers with Russell Group Universities, sports scholarship students going on to soccer scholarships in US universities, and performing arts students moving on to places like RADA, BIMM and the Guildhall School of Music and Drama
- IBDP Average point score higher than the international average
- Named by the Sunday Times as the “best non-selective IB provider in the country”

How do students apply?

- My Choice
- ALSO – Via our admissions plus site available on our website

Our prospectus will be delivered as normal, and all information is available on our website.

Open Evening

- Thursday 18th October
- Booking is available on the Eventbrite link on our Impington International College Website
- We are hosting bookable tours throughout this term