

## What is the IB Diploma Programme?

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme is a globally recognized and acclaimed program of preparation for citizenship and post-secondary studies. Luther students who take six IB courses (one from each subject group) and complete the core components of the program (CAS, Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay) graduate with the IB Diploma in addition to the Saskatchewan secondary diploma. Luther students can also take individual IB courses of their choice. All major Canadian universities recognize IB students with advanced standing, transfer credits, and/or other privileges. Courses recognized and minimum grades vary among universities.



The Diploma Programme is built around the development of the traits of the IB Learner Profile (inquirers, knowledgeable, thinkers, communicators, principled, open-minded, caring, risk-takers, balanced, reflective) and the Approaches to Learning (ATL) skills for lifelong learning (thinking, communication, social, research, and self-management skills) with the goal of developing internationally-minded global citizens.

To earn the IB Diploma, students must take one course from each of the following groups, three of which must be higher level courses. Another course may be substituted for the group 6 requirement. Taken over the course of grades 11 and 12, higher level courses require four semesters, and standard level courses require two or three semesters.

	IB Course	Level	Saskatchewan credits awarded
<b>Group 1</b> <i>Language and Literature</i>	English Literature	Higher Level	IB English 20 IB World Literature 20L IB English 30A IB English 30B
<b>Group 2</b> <i>Language Acquisition</i>	French B	Standard Level	IB French 20 IB French 30
	German ab initio	Standard Level	IB German 20 IB German 30
<b>Group 3</b> <i>Individuals and Societies</i>	History	Higher Level	IB History 20 IB History 30
	Environmental Systems and Societies (ESS)	Standard Level	Environmental Science 20 IB ESS 30L
<b>Group 4</b> <i>Experimental Sciences</i>	Biology	Higher Level	IB Health Science 20 IB Biology 30
	Chemistry	Standard Level	IB Physical Science 20 IB Chemistry 30
	Environmental Systems and Societies (ESS)	Standard Level	Environmental Science 20 IB ESS 30L
<b>Group 5</b> <i>Mathematics</i>	Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches	Standard Level	IB Math Pre-calculus 30 IB Math Foundations 30 IB Calculus 30
<b>Group 6</b> <i>The Arts</i>	Visual Arts	Standard Level	IB Visual Art 20 IB Visual Art 30
	Film	Standard Level	Communication Media 20 IB Film 30L
	Music	Standard Level	IB Music 20 IB Music 30
<b>Core</b>	Theory of Knowledge		Christian Ethics 20 (TOK) Christian Ethics 30 (TOK)
	Extended Essay		
	Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)		