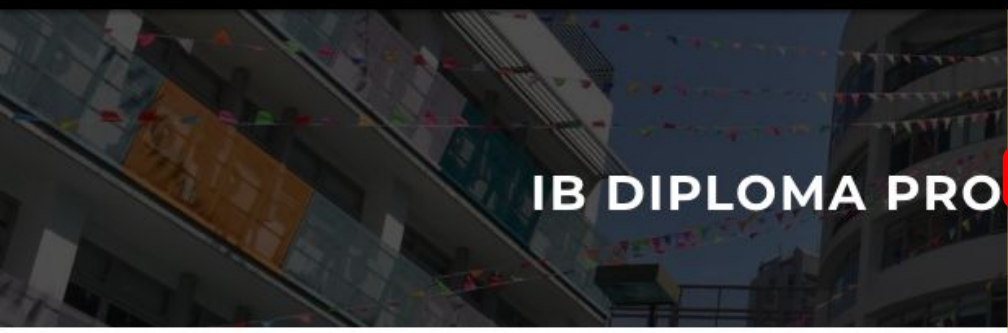


IB Diploma and IB Courses





IB DIPLOMA PRO

IB Primary Years Programme (PYP)	>
IB Middle Years Programme	>
IB Diploma Programme	>
IB Career-related Programme	Arts & Electives
Co-Curricular	> CAS
Learning Enhancement	Experimental Sciences
Further Education	> Individuals and Societies
Library & Information Resources Centre (LIRC)	Language Acquisition
Red Door Centre	Language Pathways
Phi	Mathematics
	Studies in Language and Literature

Learning at RCHK

- IB Primary Years Programme (PYP)
- IB Middle Years Programme (MYP)
- IB Diploma Programme (DP)**
- IB Diploma Overview

Introduction to the Diploma

Renaissance College is an authorized IB World School offering the IB Primary Years Programme (PYP), the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP), and the Diploma Programme (DP).

The Diploma Programme is a pre-university programme for students aged 16-19. Students undertake the full IB Diploma Programme or IB Certificate. The IB Diploma Programme is the most comprehensive university preparatory programme in the world, building research skills, promoting personal responsibility and encouraging independence.

Students are not ranked at Renaissance College and there is a maximum of 20 students in any IB Diploma class.

General Information

[Diploma Programme – FAQs](#)

[Diploma Programme Prospectus](#)

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Dates and Deadlines — Calendar

[Year 12 Diploma Academic Calendar](#)

[Year 13 Diploma Academic Calendar](#)

[Year 12 Core Sessions Calendar](#)

Aims of today's session:

- Outline the options process and key dates
- Introduce the IB DP and IB Courses pathways

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THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE POST 16 PATHWAYS

THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
ORGANISATION PROVIDES RIGOROUS
PROGRAMMES OF POST 16 EDUCATION BASED ON
THE PATTERN OF NO SINGLE COUNTRY

At RCHK students elect to take IB
DP, IB CP or IB Courses

IB Diploma

IB Diploma Programme Structure

6 subjects over 2 years

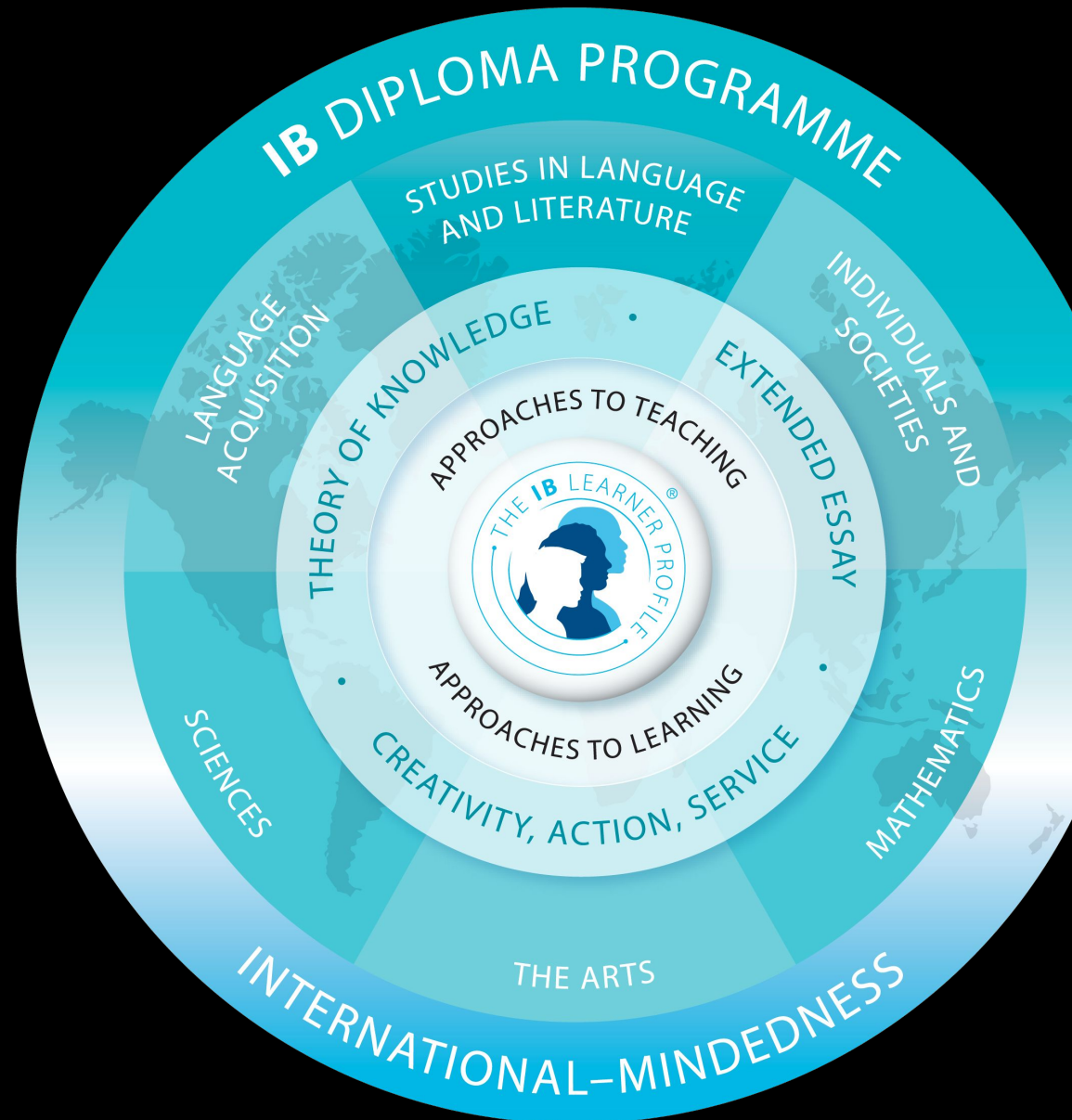
3 at Higher Level (HL)

3 at Standard Level (SL)

PLUS

Study of TOK, EE CAS

Scored out of 45 total points,
Possibility of 7 points per subject
and three points for 'the core'



Group 1 – Studies in Language & Literature

A Literature (SL & HL)

- English, Chinese

A Language & Literature (SL & HL)

- English, Chinese

School Supported self-taught
Language & Literature (SL)



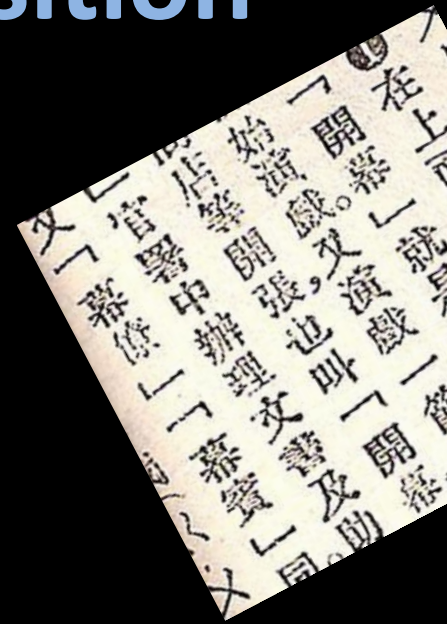
Group 2 – Language Acquisition

Language B (SL & HL)

- Chinese,
- Students *must* have studied this language before

Ab Initio (SL)

- Spanish
- Designed for beginners, but *not* an easy option.



Group 3 - Individuals & Societies

Humanities and social sciences:

Business and Management (SL/HL)

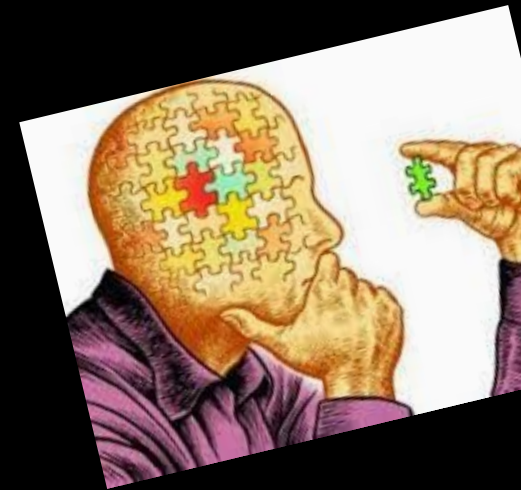
Economics (SL/HL)

Geography (SL/HL)

History (SL/HL)

Psychology (SL/HL)

- ITGS (SL) – online course only
- Environmental Systems and Societies (SL) (trans disciplinary)



Group 4 - Sciences

- Biology (SL/HL)
- Chemistry (SL/HL)
- Physics (SL/HL)
- Sports Exercise & Health Sciences (SL/HL)
- Design Technology (SL/HL)

- Environmental Systems and Societies (SL) (transdisciplinary)



Group 5 - Mathematics

**Mathematics:
Applications and Interpretations (SL/HL)**

**Mathematics:
Analysis and Approaches (SL/HL)**



Group 6 - The Arts

- Place emphasis on practical production and exploration of creativity in a global context.

Music

Theatre

Visual Arts

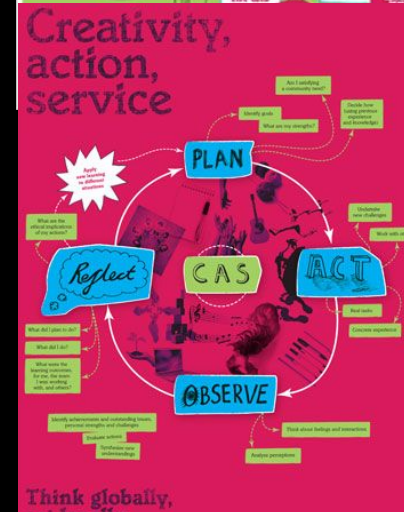
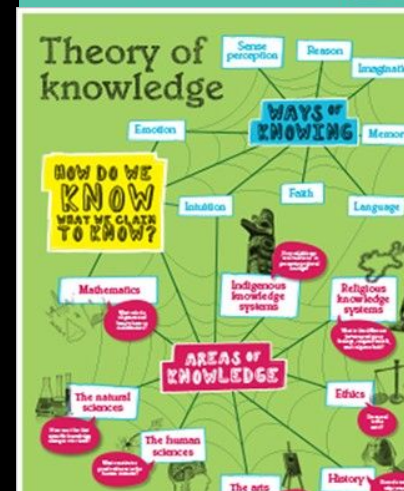
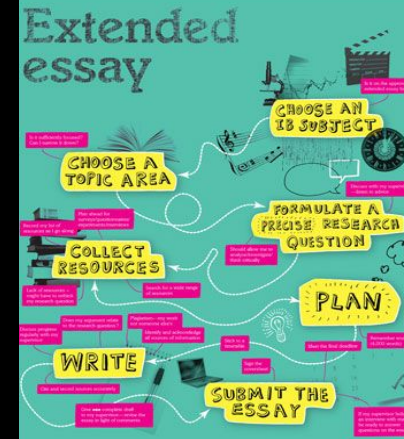
Film (online)

NB - We strongly recommend, however students can opt out and to select a second subject from Groups 1-4.



The core

1. Extended essay (4,000 words): Students investigate a topic of individual interest
2. Theory of knowledge (TOK): Explores the nature of knowledge and encourages an appreciation of other cultural perspectives.
3. Creativity, action, and service (CAS): Encourages awareness of life outside the academic arena.



Think globally,

What are the best resources?

Talk to:

- Current students or graduates
- Teachers
- Further Education Office
- Vice Principal (DP)
- HODs
- Yourself

Research:

- University web-pages
- The library
- Career related websites



What is there to think about?

Career Choices

- Law – English Literature and History at HL
- Engineering – Mathematics HL and Physics HL
- Medicine – Science HL and Mathematics HL
- Art – Visual Arts HL (full IB Diploma not always required)
- Accountancy – Mathematics HL and Business HL/Economics HL

Personal Ecology

- Have I considered my strengths?
- Is this what I really want to do?
- Have I left enough doors open?



**What do
you think?**

- Ability is important for HL subjects
- Interest needed in the subjects that will be studied
- Think of the overall balance
- Get an expert opinion
- Don't lose yourself



DP Courses

- Minimum of 4 to maximum of 6 DP subjects (HL and SL in any combination)
- Free choice within constraints of the timetable
- TOK/ EE are not compulsory
- CAS must be achieved

Regardless of programme all students get a Renaissance College High School Diploma which is accredited by WASC (USA) and CIS (Europe)

What does this look like?

Student Timetable

Full Diploma Candidates

3 x Higher Level Subjects

3 x Standard Level Subjects

Theory of Knowledge

Wellbeing, Mindfulness and Pastoral Programme

CAS

Number of Periods (40 minute periods)

6 periods per subject

4 periods per subject

2.5 periods

1 period

after school and some weekend commitments

Single Subject Certificate Candidates

3 x Higher Level Subjects*

3 x Standard Level Subjects*

Wellbeing, Mindfulness and Pastoral Programme

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Number of Periods (40 minute periods)

6 periods per subject

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after school and some weekend commitments

* the number of subjects taken overall or at HL and SL can be specifically tailored to meet a student's individual needs

The two year programme

IB Diploma Programme Year One: Year 12

- Students begin their IB Diploma Programme
- Teachers explain subject requirements and issue students with a copy of the syllabus
- Critical deadlines for subject assessment are outlined
- Any minor alterations to the options choices are finalised by early September
- The CAS Coordinator introduces students to the CAS programme and guides them through the process of performing CAS activities and keeping their records updated
- In coordination with the IB Diploma Programme Coordinator, Advisors and the Head of Year will monitor the academic and pastoral progress of students (as the programme progresses, students require advice on how to monitor their time, extra curricular commitments, etc.)
- Semester reports and mid-semester reports are issued
- Subject assessment is ongoing
- Some subject assessment meets Internal Assessment requirements for individual subjects
- Extended Essay is introduced to students in February to March and supervisors allocated
- Semester 2 (May) school examinations are held
- Group IV project takes place

IB Diploma Programme Year Two: Year 13

- Internal Assessment deadlines for individual subjects are ongoing
- Semester reports, trial examination results and mid-semester reports are issued
- The Group individual investigations take place in November
- Formal examination entries are completed
- Complete Extended Essays sent to IB Diploma Programme Coordinator in late November
- The Extended Essay *Viva Voce* takes place in January
- Literature A, Language and Literature A, Language B and Language Ab orals conducted in December to February
- Trial Examinations take place in February and are intended to familiarise students with the structure of a Diploma examination and assess the academic standard of students
- Most Internal Assessment is completed by February and March and forwarded to the IB
- Conditional and unconditional university placement offers are made
- Final school reports are issued in April
- Students go on study leave in late April
- IB Diploma examinations begin in early May and conclude by late May
- Renaissance College Graduation Ceremony is held in late May
- IB Diploma results are issued around 5 and 6 of July and results are available online

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Online options form sample

Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature	Teacher's Comment
1. English A Lang & Lit (HL) (12EU6)	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. English A Literature (HL) (12EL6)	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. English A Lang & Lit (SL) (12EU5)	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. English A Literature (SL) (12EL5)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Group 2: Language Acquisition	
1. Mandarin Ab Initio (SL) (12MD9)	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Chinese A Literature (HL) (12CI6)	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Mandarin B (HL) (12MD6)	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Chinese A Lang & Lit (SL) (12CU5)	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Chinese A Literature (SL) (12CI5)	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Mandarin B (SL) (12MD5)	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Self Taught Standard (12ST5) (If you select self-taught subject, please specify the language)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Parent confirmation

[+]show all subjects

Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature

1. English A Lang & Lit (HL) (12EU6)

Group 2: Language Acquisition

3. Chinese A Literature (HL) (12CI6)

Group 3: Individuals and Societies

4. Economics (SL) (12EC5)

Group 4: Science

5. Design Technology (HL) (12TE6)

Group 5: Mathematics

3. Mathematics (SL) (12MA5)

Group 6: Arts

9. Film Studies (SL) (12FS5)
(Online only (extra cost involved))

Student Justification of Choice

I wish to study Chinese literature and Film at university and these subjects are ones that I have previously done well in.

Parent Comment

(Max 800 characters)

If you wish to study Physics HL you must take Mathematics HL or SL.

Student Last Update Date: 15-10-2014 12:48
Parent Confirmation Date:
Teacher Verification Date:

Confirm

Any questions...?

Presentations and Q & A sessions

IB Diploma/Courses Information

6:15pm to 6:40pm and 6:50pm to 7:15pm Location – PAC012 (Black Box Theatre)

Further Education Information

6:15pm to 6:40pm Location - PAC 101 (Music room)

IB Career-related Programme (CP)

6:50pm to 7:15pm Location - PAC 101 (Music room)

Information on Chinese Language Options

6:15pm to 6:40pm and 6:50pm to 7:15pm Location – PAC011 (Drama room)

Year 11 World of Work drop-in Q & A session

7:15pm to 8pm Location – PAC012 (BBT)