

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
2012-2013



Your Future in Motion

Make your way to the University of Alberta, an internationally renowned university celebrated for excellence in research and teaching—and one of the top five post-secondary institutions in Canada.

EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

As an International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma program student, you have chosen to engage your intellect, pursue excellence and participate in a wide range of activities. We want students like you at the University of Alberta because we recognize your potential and are confident that we can provide you with the resources and facilities that you need to excel.
ualberta.ca/IB

ADMISSIONS FOR DUAL CURRICULA STUDENTS

If you are completing the IB diploma program and another curriculum (such as Alberta Education Diploma, B.C. Ministry of Education Diploma or other international curricula), you will be considered for admission on the basis of the highest individual scores presented on either transcript, in the subjects required for your chosen program.

For example, if you present both IB Biology (HL) and Alberta Biology 30 when we receive your official IB and Alberta Education transcripts, we will use the higher of the two Biology results when calculating your admission average.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE GRADING SCALE

To calculate an admission average using your IB results, we will convert your scores into percentages.

IB RESULT	% EQUIVALENT
7	98
6	90
5	82
4	73
3	55
2	Not accepted for admission
1	Not accepted for admission



EARLY FINAL ADMISSION

Full IB diploma program students are eligible for final admission prior to graduation based on their predicted IB diploma results if they present:

- > Six IB courses, five of which are required subjects for your program, with no grade less than four.
- > A competitive diploma program score. Competitive scores range from 30-35 points (including additional bonus points) depending on your program.
- > A predicted IB grades form completed and authenticated by your IB coordinator. Find the form online at ualberta.ca/IB.

Certificate and diploma program students whose scores fall below the competitive diploma score may still be eligible for Early Admission under traditional admission practices.

Email: IB@registrar.ualberta.ca

Transcripts

All IB students are required to submit a final and official IB transcript, as well as any other required items, by the posted deadline in your BearTracks account (regardless of when your admission is processed). Ask your IB coordinator to request that your transcript is sent directly to the University of Alberta.

ibo.org

SPECIAL SERVICES

The University of Alberta offers a number of services just for IB students.



PERSONALIZED ADVISING

Have questions on admission or transfer credit? Are you seeking advice on the range of programs and courses available? We invite you to talk with someone who understands the challenges of the IB program and can advise you on what to expect from your university education.

IB@registrar.ualberta.ca

AP/IB STUDENT CONFERENCE

What do you think is the most significant change happening in our world today? Is it the economy, health care, the understanding of culture and politics? And what are the implications for the future? Our annual AP/IB Conference in March 2012 calls on these elite students to examine solutions through the theme of Exploring Global Change. UAlberta professors and graduate students lead attendees through a day of discussions about the changes and challenges that we experience today.

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SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year, our IB students are recognized for their scholastic and leadership achievements through Academic Excellence, Scholastic Distinction and Leadership scholarship competitions. A dedicated International Baccalaureate Scholarship valued at \$1,000 is also awarded to the top 50 diploma students admitted.

IB Scholarship winner

Student: Heather

High school: Bellerose Composite High School

Hometown: St. Albert, Alberta

I had a really great experience with IB in high school. It was challenging and sometimes stressful, but I learned so much and truly enjoyed the experience. I appreciated the challenge of the more in-depth coursework and at the end of the program I had such a sense of accomplishment and pride in what I had done.

My first year of university has been good; I feel IB prepared me by improving my time management skills and allowing me to practise the skills needed for more formal assignments in university. University is still quite different from high school but it has been fairly easy for me to adjust to the academic aspects. Also, a fair bit of the content of my courses has been very similar to the things I have learned in IB.

Some of the great things about taking IB and then going on to the University of Alberta are the scholarships and transfer credit. For me, IB was also beneficial outside of just academics. Being a naturally very shy person, IB pushed me outside of my comfort zone. CAS forced me to get involved in ways that I probably would not have considered otherwise. These experiences turned out to be incredibly worthwhile. Personally, I feel that IB was the right choice for me. Some of these advantages I recognized in high school, but now that I'm in university they're even more evident.

International Baccalaureate Scholarship Deadlines

IB transcripts: August 2012

Results: September 2012

Dedicate some of your Creativity, Action, Service (CAS) hours to leadership activities to assist with your Leadership Scholarship application.

ADVANCED STANDING

To be eligible for IB advanced standing, (transfer credit, advanced placement or credit by special assessment), you must receive a final IB score of 6 or 7. The chart on pages 8 and 9 outlines the eligible IB courses and the corresponding University of Alberta equivalent.

TRANSFER CREDIT

Transfer credit means you are offered credit for a university-level class based on your IB results. Your transfer credit status is automatically assessed once your final and official IB transcript is received.

If you are awarded transfer credit, you will not be assigned a UAlberta grade, nor will your IB grade appear on your UAlberta transcript. Your UAlberta transcript will simply reflect transfer credit already achieved towards your degree. For example, if you earn transfer credit for English (HL), you will have already earned six English credits at the University of Alberta. Because IB transfer credit is not factored into your GPA or course load, be aware how this could affect your program or any scholarships you have received which require full course registration.

Declining transfer credit

While we encourage you to retain the transfer credit that you have earned, you

do have the option to decline it. If you elect to decline credit, you must complete the required paperwork and submit it to your faculty by the course registration add/delete deadline in the September of your first year of studies.

Full instructions and the form to decline transfer credit are online.

ualberta.ca/IB

Transfer credit and professional programs

If you are planning to apply to a program that requires pre-professional study such as Business or Dentistry, your IB transfer credit may help you meet the program prerequisites. Some programs will even use your IB grade when calculating a prerequisite average.*

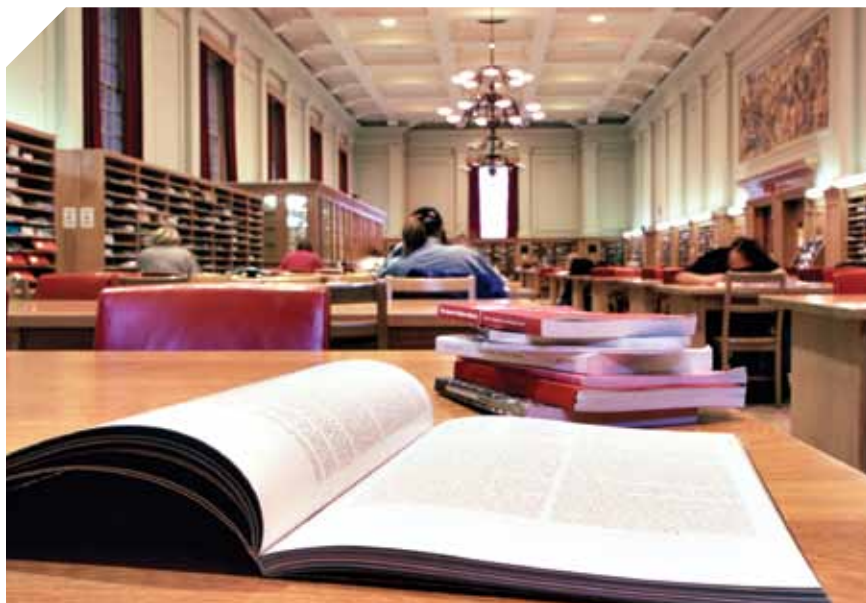
For example, if you achieve a score of 6 or 7 in Physics (HL), you will receive transfer credit for PHYS 124 (★3) and 126 (★3), which are prerequisite courses for many professional programs like Medicine and Dentistry. Earning transfer credit means that you are not required to retake these classes in university, which can free up time in your schedule and save money.

Students awarded the IB Diploma are granted 3 credits in an open elective course at the 100 level.

* Pharmacy and Medical Laboratory Science will factor in your IB scores when calculating your prerequisite admission average. An IB grade of 7 will be equated to a 4.0 and an IB grade of 6 will be equated to a 3.7 on the UAlberta four-point grading scale.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Earning advanced placement allows you to skip ahead of introductory classes and register in senior-level courses. While no transfer credit is offered, you can jump straight into more advanced learning.



CREDIT BY SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

If you would like to receive university credit for eligible IB courses like Chemistry (SL) or Math (SL), you can choose to earn credit by special assessment. This requires you to challenge the university-level course comparable to your IB course. Students usually accomplish this by writing a special CSA exam. The grade you achieve on this exam will appear on your UAlberta transcript.

If you would like to write a CSA exam, email IB@registrar.ualberta.ca.

TRANSFER CREDIT FOR IB STUDENTS

The University of Alberta awards transfer credit, advanced placement, or credit by special assessment (CSA) to students who achieve a final grade of 6 or higher in the following courses:

EQUIVALENCY CHART FOR IB COURSES

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSES	UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA EQUIVALENTS	AUGUSTANA FACULTY EQUIVALENT
Biology (HL)	BIOL 107 (★3)	AUBIO 130 (★3)
Chemistry (HL)	CHEM 101 (★3) [or CHEM 103 (★4.3) for Engineering only]	AUCHE 110 (★3)
Chemistry (SL)	Students may apply to write a CSA examination in CHEM 101 (★3) [or CHEM 103 (4.3) for Engineering only]	
Computer Science (HL)	CMPUT 114 (★3) and 115 (★3)	AUCSC 110 (★3) and 120 (★3)
Computer Science (SL)	CMPUT 114 (★3)	AUCSC 110 (★3)
Dance (HL)	DANCE 100-level (★3)	AUPED 100-level (★3)
Economics (HL)	ECON 101 (★3) and 102 (★3) [not to take ECON 204]	AUECO 101 (★3) and AUECO 102 (★3)
English (HL)	ENGL 100-level (★6) [or ENGL 100-level Option (★3) and 100-level complementary studies elective (★3) for Engineering only]	AUENG 1XX (★6)
Film (HL)	FS 100-level (★3)	AU Humanities 100-level (★3)
French A or B (HL)	FREN 100-level (★3) and 211 (★3) [not to take FREN 111 or 112]	AUFRE 102 (★3) and AUFRE 201 (★3) [not to do AUFRE 101]
French A or B (SL)	FREN 100-level (★6) [not to take FREN 111 or 112]	AUFRE 101 (★3) and AUFRE 102 (★3)
German A or B (HL)	GERM 100-level (★3) and 211 (★3) [not to take GERM 111 or 112]	AUGER 102 (★3) and 201 (★3) [not to take AUGER 101]
German A or B (SL)	GERM 100-level (★6) [not to take GERM 111 or 112]	AUGER 101 (★3) and 102 (★3)
Greek (HL)	GREEK 101 (★3) and 102 (★3)	AUGRE 101 (★3) and 102 (★3)
History (HL) (Note 1)	HIST 100-level (★3) [not to take HIST 112 or 113]	AUHIS 104(★3)
Islamic History (HL)	HIST 100-level (★3) [not to take HIST 117]	AUHIS 100 (★3)

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSES	UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA EQUIVALENTS	AUGUSTANA FACULTY EQUIVALENT
Italian A (HL)	Advanced Placement (See Note 2)	
Japanese AB (SL)	JAPAN 101 (★3) and 102 (★3)	AULAN 100-level (★6)
Japanese B (HL or SL)	JAPAN 101 (★3) and 102 (★3) and Advanced Placement (See Note 2)	AULAN 100-level (★6)
Latin (HL)	LATIN 101 (★3) and 102 (★3)	AULAT 101 (★3) and AULAT 102 (★3)
Mathematics (HL)	MATH 114 (★3) [or MATH 100 (4) for Engineering only]. Students may apply to write a CSA examination in MATH 115 (★3) [or MATH 101 (3.5) for Engineering only].	AUMAT 111 (★3)
Further Mathematics (SL)	MATH 114 (★3) and 115 (★3) [or Math 100 (4) and 101 (3.5) for Engineering only].	AUMAT 111 (★3) and AUMAT 112 (★3)
Mathematics (SL)	Students may apply to write a CSA examination in MATH 100 (★4) or 114 (★3)	
Music (HL)	MUSIC 102 (★3) and MUSIC 100-level (★3) (not to take MUSIC 101)	AUMUS 100-level (★3)
Philosophy (HL)	PHIL 100-level (★3) (not to take PHIL 101 or 102)	AUPHI 100-level (★3)
Physics (HL)	PHYS 124 (★3) and 126 (★3)	AUPHY 100-level (★6)
Physics (SL)	PHYS 124 (★3)	AUPHY 100-level (★3)
Social, Cultural Anthropology (HL)	ANTHR 100-level (★3)	AUSSC 100-level (★3)
Spanish A (HL)	Advanced Placement (Note 2)	Advanced Placement
Sports, Exercise and Health Sciences (SL)	PEDS 100-level (★3)	AUPED 100-level (★3)
Theatre Arts (HL)	DRAMA 101 (★3)	AUDRA 101 (★3)
Visual Arts (HL)	ART 134 (★3) and ART 100-level (★3)	AUART 111 (★3) and 113 (★3)
Successful completion of all components of the IB Diploma program (Note 3)	Open Elective 100-level (★3)	AU 100-level Open Elective (★3)

Notes:

(1) Students given advanced placement are permitted to register in a senior course. Students entering the Faculty of Arts who are given advanced placement will be admitted to a senior course after determination of their background qualifications for that course (interview, placement test or other appropriate means).

(2) Credit will be awarded for all five regional options offered at the higher level (HL), including Africa; Americas; East and South East Asia and Oceania; Europe (including Russia/USSR); and South Asia and the Middle East (including North Africa).

(3) For students entering the Faculty of Engineering, transfer credit for the first (qualifying) year courses does not reduce the minimum load requirement of 37.0 units.

IMPORTANT DATES

FALL 2011

Talk with your school counsellor—Make sure you are taking the right courses and get an idea of the competitive average that you will need for admission.

Oct. 22: Open House

ualberta.ca/openhouse

Investigate scholarships and awards.

ualberta.ca/awards

Review admission requirements—

registrar.ualberta.ca/publications

Early Admission workshop—Apply and applicants can earn Early Admission on the spot!

registrar.ualberta.ca/events

Submit application for admission—

Allow adequate time for processing (\$115 application fee).

registrar.ualberta.ca/apply

Indicate all Grade 12 courses that will be completed by graduation. For early admission consideration, we need either

interim or final scores in several courses required for the program applied to. (Midterm and final scores awarded by teachers are appropriate.)

Nov. 1: Residence application opens—

First-year undergraduate students applying for Lister Centre by February 1 are guaranteed a space in residence for the upcoming academic year.*

ualberta.ca/residence.

WINTER

Feb. 1: Application deadline—

For guaranteed residence at Lister Centre, as well as for Nursing.

Feb. 15: Scholastic Distinction Scholarship application deadline

ualberta.ca/awards

Feb. 15: Entrance Leadership Award application deadline

ualberta.ca/awards

* Please note: An application for admission must be made before you submit an application for residence. Residence Services is not able to guarantee a residence assignment or the room type requested.

SPRING 2012

March: AP/IB Conference—Talk to your IB coordinator about attending.
ualberta.ca/IB

April: Registration—Check BearTracks to find out when you can start to register into courses at the University of Alberta. You must receive Early Admission before you can register!
beartracks.ualberta.ca

SPRING/SUMMER

May 1: Application deadline—For most direct-entry programs.

Document deadline—Arrange to have your official IB and final high school transcripts sent to the university.

Use BearTracks—Monitor the status of your application. Verify all necessary documents have been received.

Aug. 15: Confirmation deposit deadline

—Non-refundable \$175 confirmation deposit is due to secure course registration (later applied towards tuition).
financial.ualberta.ca

Residence—Ensure required deposits are paid to the Residence Services Office by the deadline stated in your offer letter.

FALL 2012

Sept 4: Attend orientation

su.ualberta.ca/orientation

Do your research, ask questions and make the most of your experience at the University of Alberta.

Talk to an advisor:
IB@registrar.ualberta.ca



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