



University of Puget Sound

International Baccalaureate Examination Policy - Effective Fall 2023 for May 2023 Examinations

This chart outlines the units and course exemptions granted by the University of Puget Sound for International Baccalaureate Higher Level (HL) Examinations; Standard Level (SL) exam results are not eligible for credit. IB results may apply as elective credit, as Core-fulfilling courses, or to a major/minor, as determined by the relevant academic department at Puget Sound.

Credit awarded for examination results counts toward the 16 unit transfer credit maximum allowed toward an undergraduate degree.

	Examination	Score	Course Exemption	Area*	Units	Comments
Group 1: Language & Literature	Language A: Literature (English)	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	Credit is not allowed for more than one English exam, including AP exam credit.
	Language A: Lit (Other)	5, 6, 7	200-level Language Elective	FL	1	Exam credit may fulfill only one of the two courses necessary for the Language Requirement.
	Language A: Lang & Lit (English)	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	Credit is not allowed for more than one English exam, including AP exam credit.
	Language A: Lang & Lit (Other)	5, 6, 7	200-level Language Elective	FL	1	Exam credit may fulfill only one of the two courses necessary for the Language Requirement.
Group 2: Language Acquisition	Language B (English)	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	Credit is not allowed for more than one English exam, including AP exam credit.
	Language B (Other)	5, 6, 7	200-level Language Elective	FL	1	Exam credit may fulfill only one of the two courses necessary for the Language Requirement.
	Classical Languages (Latin/Classical Greek)	5, 6, 7	200-level Latin/Greek Elective	FL	1	Credit is awarded based on language learned; exam credit may fulfill only one of the two courses necessary for the Language Requirement.
Group 3: Individuals & Societies	Business Management	-	-	-	-	No credit granted
	Economics	5, 6, 7	ECON 101 & 102	SL	2	
	Geography	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	
	Global Politics	6, 7	Elective	-	1	
	History	5, 6, 7	100-level History Elective	-	1	History exams taken in May 2020 with scores of 4 or higher will also be awarded credit, per the 2020 policy.
	History (European/Islamic)	5, 6, 7	100-level History Elective	-	1	
	Information Technology in a Global Society	-	-	-	-	No credit granted
	Philosophy	5, 6, 7	PHIL 101	HM	1	
	Psychology	5, 6, 7	PSYC 101	SL	1	
	Social & Cultural Anthropology	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	
Group 4: Sciences	Biology	5, 6, 7	BIOL 111	NS	1	
	Chemistry	6, 7	CHEM 110 & 120	NS	2	Students earning a 5 on this exam should consult with the department to determine appropriate placement.
	Computer Science	5, 6, 7	CSCI 161	MA	1	
	Design Technology	-	-	-	-	No credit granted
	Physics	5, 6, 7	PHYS 111	NS	1	
	Sports, Exercise & Health Science	-	-	-	-	No credit granted
Group 5: Mathematics	Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches	5, 6, 7	MATH 180	MA	1	
	Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation	5, 6, 7	MATH 160	MA	1	
Group 6: Arts	Dance	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	
	Film	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	
	Music	5, 6, 7	MUS 100	AR	1	
	Theatre	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	
	Visual Arts	5, 6, 7	Elective	-	1	Students interested in pursuing further coursework in Studio Art should provide a portfolio of their work to the Art and Art History department for review for possible ARTS 101 or 102 equivalency.
Diploma	Theory of Knowledge	-	Elective	-	1	Credit is awarded only if IB Diploma is earned.

***Area Key (one course is required in each area, unless otherwise noted):**

AR Artistic Approaches Core
HM Humanistic Approaches Core

MA Mathematical Approaches Core
NS Natural Scientific Approaches Core

SL Social Scientific Approaches Core
FL Language Requirement (two courses required)