



Introduction to Online IB Diploma Courses

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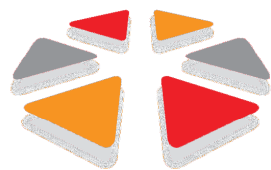


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Online IB Courses



IB DP Revision



The IB vision

Online education and the International Baccalaureate

- Extend **subject choice** for students in IB Schools (IB Access Agenda)
- Create **international** and **intercultural classrooms**



The commitment – Pamoja Education

Pamoja Education is committed to:

- Create **27 courses** over a 5-year period, covering the 6 areas of the Hexagon and the IB core
- Design courses using **IB-approved** Subject Matter Experts following the IB's strict course development and delivery guidelines
- Employ **experienced IB teachers** and support their continued professional development



The commitment – International Baccalaureate

The IB is committed to:

- Assist in recruitment of Subject Matter Experts and Teachers
- Support Pamoja Education during course development and delivery
- Provide the necessary dedicated resources within the IB
- Collaborate with Pamoja Education on research and development in subject areas which present special challenges online (e.g. Group 4 Subjects - experimental sciences and Group 1 and Group 2 languages)



Investing in curriculum research with the IB

- Challenge: How to carry out practical work in an online environment
- Action: Establish a Group 4 Sciences online curriculum review group
- Goal: create an online course with a fully integrated face to face component
- Outcome: Pilot a blended learning course for Physics SL and ESS, using the current curriculum, starting in September 2012



Delivering a true international classroom

- Limited to **25** students
 - Maximum of **5** students per section per school
- Student-centered
- Teacher facilitated
- Encourage collaboration
- Foster a global perspective



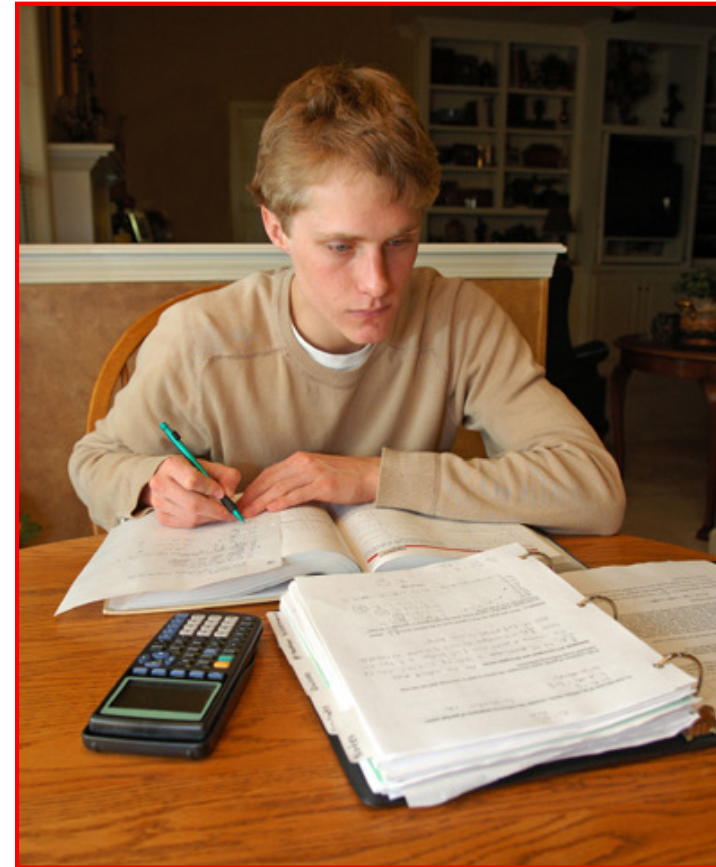
Formative Assessment

- Criterion Based
- Built from the IB Subject Guides
- Quality of work
- Discussion participation
- Application and analysis of concepts and theories
- Group Projects
- Previous IB Papers



Summative Assessment

- Three to five summative assessments per standard term.
- Previous IB Papers
- All summative assessments are graded on the IB 1 to 7 scale



Variety of Feedback

- Written record for all assignments with teacher comments
- Archive for continued growth
- Direct IB Mark Scheme Reference
- Comments on Blogs, wikis, and discussions comments as well as written work



Academic calendar and course delivery

- Delivered within the **academic year**
 - Courses delivered over two years
 - Semester-based schedule



paris



beijing



rio de janeiro



sydney

- **Structured** weekly lessons
 - runs Wednesday to Tuesday
 - expect 5 – 7 hours per week (includes homework)



new york



cairo



london



hong kong

- Recommended as part of **daily school schedule**



tokyo



dubai



buenos aires



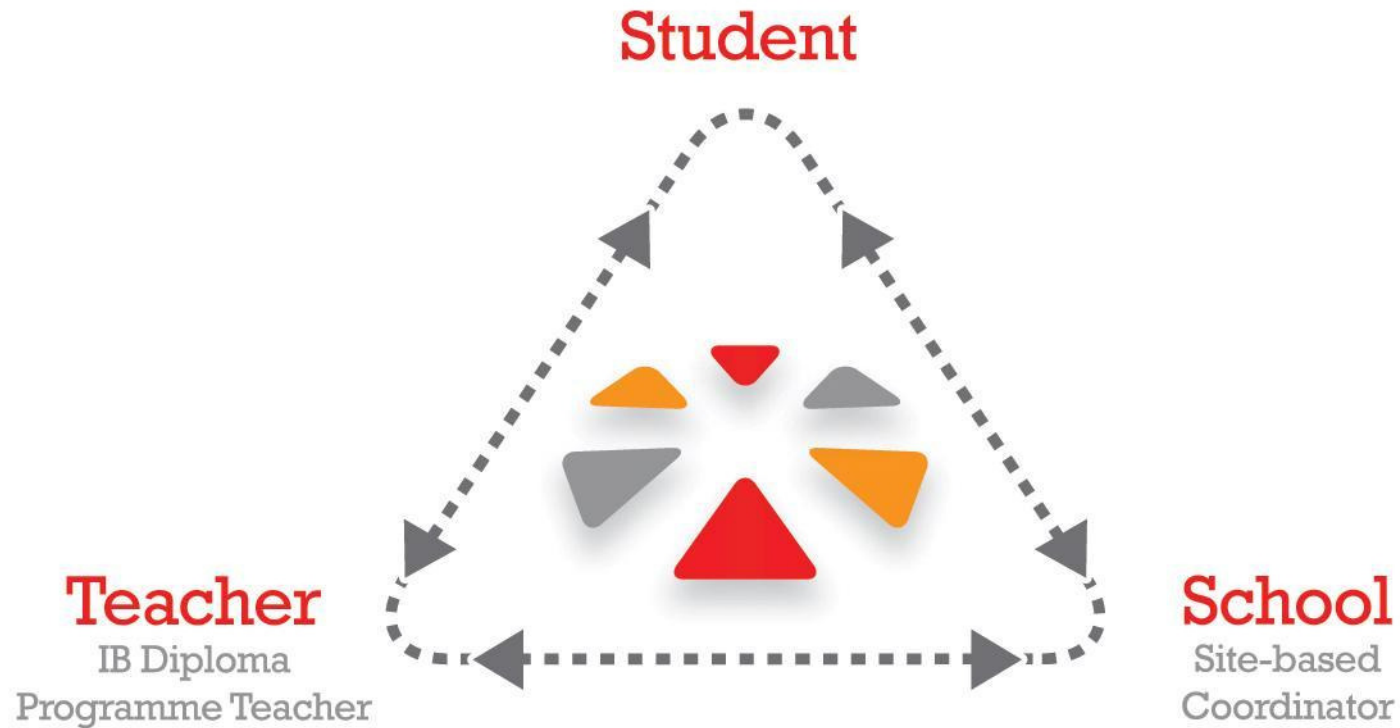
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School Site-based Coordinator

- Monitors, advises and supports students taking online courses
- Link the students and the online teacher
- Acts as a teacher presence to parents of students taking online course
- Participates in professional development gaining transferrable skills



Success requires effective communication and support



Who would be the ideal student?

- Self-motivated
- Independent learner
- Strong oral and written communication skills in English
- Tech-friendly, though proficiency not necessary
- High level of interest in the course



What the Students have to say

Visit the website to hear them

Courses for 2011 - 2013

Group 2

- Spanish *ab initio*
- Mandarin *ab initio*

Group 5

- Mathematics HL

Group 6

- Film SL

Group 3

- Business and Management SL
- Economics SL
- Economics HL
- ITGS SL
- ITGS HL
- Philosophy SL
- Psychology SL

Tuition Fees

Course-by-Course option (SL or HL enrolments)

Level	Minimum enrolments	Cost/enrolment (two year course)
Standard	1	US \$950/year

School Partnership options (any mix of SL and HL enrolments)

Partnership Level	Minimum enrolments	Cost/enrolment (two year course)
1	4	US \$800/year
2	8	US \$775/year
3	12	US \$750/year
4	16	US \$725/year
5	20	US \$700/year

Reasons why schools choose online courses

- Increased subject choice
- Scheduling flexibility
- Dealing with last minute “situations”
 - Transfer students
- Providing students with a truly global educational experience
- Teaching students a new approach to learning



For More Information

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