

Key Benefits of the IB Diploma Program

Recognised around the world and ensures an increased adaptability and mobility for IB students.

The IB Diploma Program has an international perspective of learning and teaching, while insisting that students fully explore their home culture and language.

IB World Schools must undergo an exhaustive authorisation process in order to offer one or more of the Programs, which includes a

importance of reflection on a personal and academic level.

University Recognition

The IB Diploma provides access to higher education. Universities around the world welcome the unique characteristics of IB Diploma Program students and recognise the ways in which the program helps to prepare students for university-level education.

There is a growing body of evidence on how universities value IB credentials, rates of college-going for IB students and types of institutions IB students tend to attend, preparedness for university level study and adjustment to university life. The IB diploma is recognized by all major tertiary institutions in Australia and around the

study of the school's resources and commitment to the IB mission and philosophy.

IB Diploma teachers participate in a wide variety of professional development opportunities to constantly update their knowledge and share their expertise with colleagues around the world.

Enhanced opportunities at tertiary institutions. The IBO works closely with universities around the world to gain recognition for IB Programs.

Encourage students to participate in active, creative and service-oriented activities, while at the same time emphasising the

world. Some universities offer advanced placement, credit and bonus schemes for Diploma Program (DP) students. Most Australian higher education institutions accept IB diploma results as an equivalent to an Australian Year 12 qualification, and students' IB results will be used as a ranking system instead of an ATAR. In some cases, higher education institutions have a conversion scale in place to convert IB scores to ATAR. More information about the IB and Australian rankings can be found on the UAC website, which includes a conversion scale of IB results to UAC rankings.



International Mindedness Lifelong Learners

The profile aims to develop learners who are:

- Inquirers
- Knowledgeable
- Thinkers
- Communicators
- Principled
- Open-minded
- Caring
- Risk-takers
- Balanced
- Reflective



The International Baccalaureate Diploma Program



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The IB program at the Lycée Condorcet

Currently, Lycée Condorcet only offers the IB Diploma program (16-18 year old students), for Year 11 and 12 students.

The IB Diploma program at the Lycée Condorcet

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Program is a comprehensive and rigorous two-year course of study, undertaken in Years 11 and 12. It can be chosen by students as an alternative to studying the French Baccalaureate.

The aim of all IB Programs is to develop internationally minded people who, recognising their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet, help to create a better and more peaceful world. (International Baccalaureate Organization 2010)



The IB Diploma Programme (DP) is an international, academically challenging and balanced programme of education with final examinations that prepares students, aged 16 to 19, for success at university and life beyond.

- Promotes intercultural understanding and respect, not as an alternative to a sense of cultural and national identity, but as an essential part of life in the 21st century.
- Internationally recognised qualification.
- Mandatory Community, Action and Service (CAS) program; engage in in-depth research in a 4,000 word essay (EE) about a topic area of their choice and they study an interdisciplinary, philosophical subject called Theory of Knowledge (TOK).

Key facts about the IB at LCS

- Lycee Condorcet has been running the IB diploma program since 2007.
- We are the only co-educational school in Sydney's eastern suburbs to offer the Diploma program
- 98% students gain entrance to universities around the world
- We are the only May session school in Australia
- Specialised teaching as class sizes averages 5- 15 students
- Our teachers are trained every 3 years so that teaching is contemporary and up to date with international standards
- We offer an IB prep program for students coming for the program in Year 10-11
- We offer the Bilingual Diploma

IB prep program at the Lycée Condorcet

A six-month IB Prep Program beginning every January after the end of Year 10 in the Australian school system.

Compulsory for all students who have not completed Year 10 at LCS who wish to start the IB Diploma program in Year 11.



This Prep Program is open to students who:

- Have a strong academic background
- Are from a non-French-speaking background
- Want to be immersed in a French- speaking environment
- Need to improve their English and/or French language skills before starting the IB

The ability to speak French is not a prerequisite for entry to the program

This broad- based course is divided into seven subjects for a total of 20 teaching weeks

The Lycée Condorcet is a May session school.

Our students sit for their final examinations in May as our school year begins in August and ends in July. (Other NSW school hold their final examinations in November). This makes it easier for students who enrol in universities in the Northern hemisphere

The IB program

The program is based on the International Baccalaureate Organization's (IBO) Mission Statement:

The IBO aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

To this end the IBO works with schools, governments and international organisations to develop challenging programs of international education and rigorous assessment.

The IBO encourages students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

Worldwide, the IB Diploma Program is recognised by leading universities for providing



the academic challenge required for future university success.

These are the reasons the IB Diploma Program is so popular and has seen a rapid international growth, in both State and Independent schools, since its foundation in Geneva over 40 years ago. There are more than 969,000 IB students at over 3,290 schools in more than 141 countries – and the numbers are growing!