



Credit Policy for International Baccalaureate (IB) Exams

Credit is awarded for International Baccalaureate (IB) “Standard” (S) and "Higher Level" (HL) examinations with the scores 4, 5, 6, or 7. The following chart denotes how each department has determined appropriate placement.

Contact the IB Organization to request that an official IB transcript be sent directly to the Highline College

IB Exam & Score	HC Equivalent	Credits	Distribution Requirement	Notes
African History (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
African History (5,6,7)	HIST 260	5	Social Science Area 1	
American History (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
American History (5,6,7)	HIST&146, HIST&147, or HIST&148	5	Social Science Area 1	
Language A (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Language A (5,6,7)	HUM 900	5	Humanities Area 1	
Arabic B (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Arabic B (5,6)	ARAB 121	5	Humanities Area 1	
Arabic B (7)	ARAB 121, 122	10	Humanities Area 1	
Art/Design (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Art/Design (5,6,7)	ART 900	5	Humanities Area 2	
Biology (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Biology (5,6,7)	BIOL&100	5	Natural Science or Lab	Science majors should see an HC advisor
Business & Management (4,5,6,7)	BUS&101	5	General Elective	
Chemistry (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Chemistry (5)	CHEM&121, CHEM&161	5	Natural Science or Lab	Science majors should see an HC advisor
Chemistry (6,7)	CHEM&121, CHEM&161 or CHEM&162	5	Natural Science or Lab	Science majors should see an HC advisor

Chinese B (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Chinese B (5,6)	CHIN& 121	5	Humanities Area 1	
Chinese B (7)	CHIN& 121, 122	10	Humanities Area 1	
Computer Science (4,5,6,7)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Design Technology (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Design Technology (5,6,7)	ENGR 900	5	Science	Only 5 credits of science outside of Natural Science allowed in distribution.
East/Southeast Asia and Oceania History (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
East/Southeast Asia and Oceania History (5,6,7)	HIST 900	5	Social Science Area 1	
Economics (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Economics (5)	ECON&201	5	Social Science Area 1	
Economics (6,7)	ECON&201 and 202	10	Social Science Area 1	
English A Literature (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
English A Literature (5,6,7)	ENGL&111	5	Humanities Area 1	
English A Language & Literature (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	Placement into ENGL&101
English A Language & Literature (5,6,7)	ENGL&101	5	Written Communications	Check with your transfer institution for acceptability of IB credit for ENGL&101
European History (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
European History (5,6,7)	HIST& 116, 117, 118	5	Social Science Area 1	
French B (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
French B (5,6)	FRCH&121	5	Humanities Area 1	
French B (7)	FRCH&121,122	10	Humanities Area 1	
Geography (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Geography (5,6,7)	GEOG 200	5	Social Science Area 1	
Global Politics (4,5,6,7)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Information Technology in a	Elective	5	General Elective	

Global Society (4,5,6,7)				
Japanese B (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Japanese B (5,6)	JAPN&121	5	Humanities Area 1	
Japanese B (7)	JAPN&121,122	10	Humanities Area 1	
Mathematics (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Mathematics (5,6)	MATH&142	5	Science or Quantitative	
Mathematics (7)	MATH&151	5	Science or Quantitative	
Further Mathematics (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Further Mathematics (5,6,7)	MATH&151	5	Science or Quantitative	
Music (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Music (5,6,7)	MUSC&105	5	Humanities Area II	
Philosophy (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Philosophy (5,6,7)	PHIL&101	5	Humanities Area 1	
Physics (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Physics (5,6,7)	PHYS 900	15	Natural Science or Lab	
Psychology (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Psychology (5,6,7)	PSYC&101	5	Social Science Area II	
Social & Cultural Anthropology (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Social & Cultural Anthropology (5,6,7)	ANTH&206	5	Social Science Area II	
Spanish B (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Spanish B (5,6)	SPAN&121	5	Humanities Area 1	
Spanish B (7)	SPAN&121,122	10	Humanities Area 1	
Sports, Exercise & Health Science (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Sports, Exercise & Health Science (5,6,7)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Theatre (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Theatre (5,6,7)	DRAMA 900	5	Humanities Area II	
Visual Arts (4)	Elective	5	General Elective	
Visual Arts (5,6,7)	ART&100	5	Humanities Area II	

Note: When numbers 900 or above are assigned, it indicates that there is no specific Highline College course equivalent for all or part of that exam. Credit is awarded by category rather than course specific.