



# The Universal School



Diploma  
Programme

*The International Baccalaureate  
Diploma Programme  
(IBDP)*

## What is International Baccalaureate?



The International Baccalaureate is a non-profit educational foundation that offers high quality programmes of international education to a worldwide community of schools. Motivated by its mission, the programme focuses on the students and help them develop their intellectual, personal, emotional and social skills to live, learn and work in a rapidly globalizing world.

Founded in 1968 in Geneva, the IB currently works with over 4000 schools in 150 countries to develop and offer challenging programmes to over one million students.

## The IB Diploma Programme

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) is a rigorous 2 years academic course equivalent to Grades 11 & 12.

It is an academically challenging and balanced programme of education and prepares students for success at university and life beyond.

Unique to the IB Diploma Programme is its inquiry based learning approach and the DP core, comprising of three components:

- Theory of Knowledge which explores the nature of knowledge. This is an interdisciplinary programme designed to stimulate critical reflection on knowledge and on experience gained, both inside and outside the classroom.
- CAS – Creativity, Activity and Service plays a crucial part in the development of well-rounded, thoughtfully aware and caring young people.
- Extended Essay requires an independent research work and is another unique feature of the IBDP. Students undertake original research on a topic of special interest and write an essay which is equivalent to a mini thesis.

### During this Programme Students:

- Complete an Extended Essay (EE)
- Follow a Theory of Knowledge Course
- Participate in Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)
- Students have to choose three subjects at 'Higher Level' (HL) and three subjects at 'Standard Level' (SL) from the six subject groups.

### The IBDP Subjects offered at The Universal School are:

<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Studies in Language and Literature</b> <i>Language A: English Language and literature HL/SL</i>
<b>Group 2</b>	<b>Language acquisition</b> <i>Language B: Hindi HL/SL</i> <i>French SL</i> <i>French ab initio</i>
<b>Group 3</b>	<b>Individuals and Societies</b> <i>Business Management HL/SL</i> <i>Economics HL/SL</i> <i>Environmental Systems &amp; Societies SL</i> <i>*ITGS HL/SL</i> <i>*Psychology HL/SL</i>
<b>Group 4</b>	<b>Sciences</b> <i>Physics HL/SL</i> <i>Chemistry HL/SL</i> <i>Biology HL/SL</i> <i>Environmental Systems &amp; Societies SL</i>
<b>Group 5</b>	<b>Mathematics</b> <i>Mathematics HL/SL</i> <i>Mathematical Studies SL</i>
<b>Group 6</b>	<b>The Arts</b> <i>*Visual Arts SL</i> <i>Or Choose any one subject from Group 3 or 4</i>

\* Please note that the subject will be available only if there are a minimum of 10 students opting for the same.

At The Universal School, the curriculum is planned to support experiential learning through various activities, student conferences, exchange programs, sports, activities and community services. The School promotes innovation, compassion and creativity, thus preparing the students for the challenges of the 21st Century.

### **Career Counselling and University Placement Support**

The Universal School offers career counselling service to help students define their career goals and then design an action plan to realize them. Career counselling focuses on understanding students' professional aspirations and connecting them with the most relevant opportunities.

Our Career guidance helps self-evaluation and promotion of students' skills. Students are guided and counselled on matters concerning higher education by the counsellors. This is supplemented by conducting on-campus information sessions, workshops and arranging visits of Indian and foreign universities. One-on-one support is available to students for their university search and application process.

### **University Recognition**

The IB Diploma is considered as one of the best-balanced and most challenging pre-university courses in the world. Leading universities throughout India and abroad recognize the IB Diploma.

Detailed information regarding IBDP is available on [www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org)