

# Internal Admissions

2021-2022

## IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME

The IB Diploma Programme is a rigorous academic programme requiring academic ability combined with commitment and resilience to succeed. ALASCA offers its students the possibility to pursue the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) as a continuation of the Liberal Arts and Science education. All students enrolled for the Diploma Programme are required to meet the requirements of the core subjects and a choice of 6 school subject courses: 3 at a standard level and 3 at a higher level. No one can opt to follow a smaller selection of subjects.

## Enrolment

open to the following categories of students:

- Students admitted to 5 vwo
- Students with a 5 havo Diploma

## Admission Process IB DP1 for ALASCA students and tutors

Interested students (4 M/N VWO) have to submit an application motivation letter.

1. Prepare an application motivation letter:  
get input from the tutor and relevant subject teachers on achieved level (especially English, Math, work ethics)
2. Hand in application motivation letter and registration request (google form)
3. The admissions team<sup>1</sup> will determine the admissibility of each applicant utilising the admission criteria: the applicant's qualification for the DP, motivation and English proficiency.

## Admission Criteria IB (DP1)

Applicant students can be admitted to DP year 1 when the following entry requirements are met:

1. **Assessment results**
  - Results of vwo year 4 sufficient to be admitted to vwo year 5 or a havo diploma with Maths;
2. **English language Proficiency**
  - Should be at least at B2
  - Evidence of this proficiency is provided by the student's achievement in English courses and modules taught in English during vwo year 4
  - Writing skills: essay type tasks
  - Speaking and listening skills
  - Reading skills: comprehension test and a list of books read in English
3. **Motivation** to follow the Diploma Programme. This should be made evident in the application letter by displaying:
  - A clear understanding of the opportunities and challenges of the Diploma Programme that ALASCA offers;
  - A general idea of the benefits of having an IB diploma;

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<sup>1</sup> The admissions team consists of the DP coordinator, careers counsellor and a language teacher. This group reviews all students' applications and conducts the interviews.

- Eagerness to learn in English and further develop their English language skills;
- Eagerness to learn about the subjects offered.

### **Deadlines for admission**

#### **January**

A limit of 60 is set to the amount of students that can be placed in the IB programme.

#### **March**

March 1st: The registration form for admission to the Diploma Programme must be submitted to the IB coordinator of ALASCA, together with a letter of motivation.

Interviews with applicant students from other schools / expatriates will be scheduled.

#### **Mid-April**

Admission of students will ultimately be announced, in time to follow necessary modules needed to prepare students for the Diploma Programme.

#### **May (term 4)**

preparation courses for IB are to be discussed.

### **Consequences of withdrawal**

Withdrawal of an application because of doubts by the applicant is possible (other than rejection by not meeting the application criteria) is possible, but not without consequences for the student's performance in the 4 vwo track. This should be discussed with the careers counsellor.