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IB Diploma Programme

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# What is IB Diploma Programme?




Jyväskylän Lyseo upper secondary school offers the distinguished International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme (DP), which provides international qualification for further studies. The Diploma Programme is an academically challenging and balanced programme of education. It addresses the intellectual, social, emotional and physical well-being of students, and is respected by universities across the globe, including Finnish universities.

As of September 2019, there are 3,421 schools offering the DP, in 157 different countries worldwide. Jyväskylän Lyseo has offered the IB Diploma Programme since 2001 and has grown to a 180-student community.

In the IB, you are a part of two prestigious academic traditions: Jyväskylän Lyseo was founded in 1858 and the IB Diploma Programme has challenged students for over 50 years. Lyseo's academic and cultural heritage is cherished in our IB Diploma Programme.

IB classes are taught in the Lyseo's fully renovated school building at Harju campus, close by the Jyväskylä city center.

IB students aim to become independent learners who know how to set goals, pursue their dreams and have the courage to achieve them.



## Through the IB Diploma Programme you are able to develop yourself to

- 1 have excellent breadth and depth of knowledge.
- 2 flourish physically, intellectually, emotionally and ethically.
- 3 excel in traditional academic subjects.
- 4 have fluency in at least two languages.
- 5 reflect on the nature of knowledge.
- 6 be well prepared for further academic studies.

# Six steps to the diploma

## 1 The beginning

- The Diploma Programme encourages both personal and academic achievement, challenging students to excel in their studies and in their personal development.
- The IB Diploma Programme is recognized and respected by the world's leading universities.
- Apply via Studyinfo/Opintopolku.

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## 2 Getting ready!

- The first year is a preparatory year. You improve your English and learn other skills.
- By the end of the preparatory year, you will feel comfortable studying in English.
- In addition to mandatory courses, there is room for your own interests such as language studies.
- IB students take part in Lyseo's events and celebrations. Our IB community also has its own events, an important part of the IB spirit.

## 3 Who do you want to become?

- Followed by the preparatory year are the two years of IB Diploma Programme.
- To study in the IB is to research, analyse and discuss.
- Learning is organized through six subjects, underpinned by core studies.
- In the core studies, you explore the nature of knowledge, complete independent research and undertake projects that involve creativity, activity and community service.

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## 4 Build a team

- Lyseo's IB Tribe is a strong learning community.
- Your teachers and classmates will get to know you well and work with you throughout your study years.
- IB students take part in Junior dance (vanhojentanssit) and Senior carnival day (penkkarit) with other Lyseo students.

## 5 Reach to the top

- Exam session is organized in May.
- In addition to written exams, the final grade is made up also from the projects, research, oral exams and essays done during the studies.



## 6 You made it!

- In your graduation ceremony you will wear white student cap to signal your achievement.

# Subjects offered in the Jyväskylän Lyseo IB Diploma Programme

You choose six subjects for your diploma studies.

- Finnish A Literature
- English A Language and Literature
- Finnish B
- French ab initio (French for beginners)
- Economics
- Global Politics
- History
- Psychology
- Environmental Systems and Societies
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Mathematics Analysis and Approaches
- Mathematics Applications and Interpretations
- Visual Arts

*You study three subjects at standard level, and three subjects at a higher level. For higher level, you are required to more in-depth understanding and advanced academic skills.*

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IB Diploma on kansainvälinen, suomalaista ylioppilastutkintoa vastaava tutkinto. Se antaa yleisen korkeakoulukelpoisuuden suomalaisiin korkeakouluihin ja on tunnustettu ja arvostettu korkeakouluissa kaikkialla maailmassa. Syyskuussa 2019 3421 koulua 157 maassa tarjoaa IB Diploma -ohjelmaa. Jyväskylän Lyseossa IB-linja on toiminut vuodesta 2001. Nykyään Lyseon IB-linjalla opiskelee 180 nuorta.

Tullessa IB:lle riittää tavallinen hyvä kouluenglanti. Ensimmäinen vuosi on valmistava vuosi jota seuraa kaksi vuotta Diploma-opintoja. Valmistavan vuoden aikana englannintaito kehittyy ja voi rauhassa miettiä mitkä kuusi oppiainetta valitsee IB Diploma -opintoihinsa.

IB-opinnoissa opiskeleminen on keskustelemista ja analysoimista. Opiskelussa on tieteellinen ja tutkiva ote.

IB-opintojen erityispiirteenä valitsemiensa oppiaineiden lisäksi jokainen opiskelija opiskelee oppimista tukevia ydinopintoja. Ydinopintoihin kuuluu tiedon luonteen tutkiminen, akateeminen tutkielma opiskelijan valitsemasta aiheesta ja projekteja, joihin kuuluu luovuutta, liikunnallisuutta sekä yhteiskunnallisia palvelutehtäviä.

IB-linjalla opettajat ja luokkatoverit pysyvät samoina opintojen läpi. Opiskelija saa paljon henkilökohtaista tukea ja ohjausta. IB-yhteisön oman toiminnan lisäksi IB-opiskelijat osallistuvat Lyseon tapahtumiin kuten vanhojentansseihin ja penkkareihin.

Valmistujaisissaan IB-ylioppilaat painavat päähänsä ylioppilaslakin

### Admissions

Applications complete the joint-application form in the Studyinfo portal (Opintopolku).

Our Admission policy can be found from the Jyväskylän Lyseo website.

### Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us

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