

Southwestern University International Baccalaureate (IB) Exam Course Equivalencies

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Higher Level (HL) Examination	Score	Credits	SU Equivalent Course Number	SU Equivalent Course Title	General Education Requirement	Additional Information
Biology	5+	4	BIO50-173, and BIO50-171	Molecular & Cellular Foundations of Biology, and Inquiries in Biology	Natural Sciences	
Business/Management	5+	4	BUS30-004	Selected Topics in Business	Social Sciences	
Chemistry	5	4	CHE51-103, and CHE51-101	General Chemistry I, and Chemical Methods and Techniques Lab I	Natural Sciences	
	6-7	8	CHE51-103, CHE51-101, CHE51-203, and CHE51-201	General Chemistry I, Chemical Methods and Techniques Lab I, General Chemistry II, and Chemical Methods and Techniques Lab II	Natural Sciences	
Chinese B	5+	4	CHI22-154	Chinese II	Language Requirement	Student must also take SU language departmental exam in order to receive credit.
Computer Science	5	4	CSC54-144	Explorations in Computing	Natural Sciences	Student is encouraged to consult with the Math & Computer Science department chair to determine course placement in subsequent Computer Science courses.
Computer Science	6-7	4	CSC54-184	Computer Science I	Natural Sciences	Student is encouraged to consult with the Math & Computer Science department chair to determine course placement, if course was not taught in Java.
Design Technology	5+	4	ELEC-004	Lower Level Elective	Elective	
Digital Studies	5+	4	ELEC-004	Lower Level Elective	Elective	
Economics	5+	4	ECO31-104	Principles of Economics	Social Sciences	
English: Literature & Performance	5+	4	ENG10-004	Selected Topics in English	Humanities	
English A: Language & Literature	5+	4	ENG10-004	Selected Topics in English	Humanities	
English A: Literature	5+	4	ENG10-004	Selected Topics in English	Humanities	
Environmental Systems	5+	4	ENV49-144	Environmental Science	Natural Sciences	
Film	5+	4	ELEC-004	Lower Level Elective	Elective	
French B	5+	4	FRE11-154	French II	Language Requirement	Student must also take SU language departmental exam in order to receive credit.
German B	5+	4	GER12-154	German II	Language Requirement	Student must also take SU language departmental exam in order to receive credit.
Global Politics	5+	4	PSC32-004	Selected Topics in Political Science	Social Sciences	
History of Africa & Middle East	5+	4	HIS16-004	Selected Topics in History	Humanities	
History of Asia & Oceania	5+	4	HIS16-004	Selected Topics in History	Humanities	
History of Europe	5+	4	HIS16-004	Selected Topics in History	Humanities	
History of the Americas	5+	4	HIS16-004	Selected Topics in History	Humanities	
Information Tech Global Society	5+	4	ELEC-004	Lower Level Elective	Elective	
Latin	5+	4	LAT14-154	Latin II	Language Requirement	Student must also take SU language departmental exam in order to receive credit.
Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches	5,6	4	MAT52-004	Selected Topics in Math	Natural Sciences	
	7	4	MAT52-164	Modern Calculus I	Natural Sciences	
Mathematics: Application & Interpretation	5,6	4	MAT52-004	Selected Topics in Math	Natural Sciences	
	7	4	MAT52-164	Modern Calculus I	Natural Sciences	
Music	5+	4	ELEC-004	Lower Level Elective	Elective	
Philosophy	5+	4	PHI18-004	Selected Topics in Philosophy	Humanities	
Psychology	5+	4	PSY33-104	Principles of Psychology	Social Sciences	
Social & Cultural Anthropology	5+	4	ANT35-004	Selected Topics in Anthropology	Social Sciences	
Spanish B	5	4	To be determined by departmental exam	To be determined by departmental exam	Language Requirement	Student must also take SU language departmental exam in order to receive credit.
	6	4	SPA15-164	Spanish III	Language Requirement	
	7	4	SPA15-334	Conversation Through Hispanic Cinema	Language Requirement Humanities	
Sports, Exercise & Health Studies	5+	4	ELEC-004	Lower Level Elective	Elective	
Theatre	5+	4	THE72-104	Introduction to Theatre	Fine Arts	
Visual Arts	5+	4	ART68-004	Selected Topics in Art	Fine Arts	
World Religions	5+	4	REL19-004	Selected Topics in Religion	Humanities	