

# The IB Diploma Programme



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# University applications

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# International university applications

Students will be invited to the first information meeting (online) in October.

An overview of the application process - what to do when - is available in the students' "Career Counselor Classroom."



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## IB Hvitfeldtska: APPLYING FOR UNIVERSITIES ABORAD – calendar overview

### pre-IB (year 10 / Hvitfeldtska year 1)

#### Fall semester:

Focus hard on academic work to develop knowledge and skills.

Get engaged in extra-curricular activities to develop a wider range of skills.

To apply to the US in the future, start the entrance test practice (SAT or ACT). This is done individually. Order practice material and look into test dates. Hvitfeldtska works with a test coordinator in order to offer some tests on the school premises, see [hvitfeldtska.se](http://hvitfeldtska.se) / "samarbetspartners" / entrance tests

#### Spring semester:

Attend the school information meeting in January on how to choose subjects with international university studies in mind.

Continue US entrance test practice, if applicable.

### IBDP1 (year 11 / Hvitfeldtska year 2)

#### Fall semester:

Develop as a student with the challenging IB Diploma program.

Work on extracurricular activities, as guided by the school's CAS coordinator.

Continue preparing for US university entrance tests if applicable (see year 10, above). Register for a spring test date.

Attend the mid-term general information meeting giving an overview on how to approach the application process.

Check the online "Career Counselor Classroom" for information and news.

Start researching different universities and programs of interest.

#### Spring semester:

Continue as above but now add:

Attend the information meeting for students specifically interested in applying abroad and sign up for the online "Int'l Applications Classroom."

Begin test preparation for other tests than the US entrance tests. Sit the SAT/ACT at least once.

To apply to highly selective universities, start researching summer programs and other courses or work experiences to boost qualifications.


Research and register for open days (online or physical) at potential universities.

Retrieve old transcripts: year 9 and 10 grades generally needed for applications abroad.

During the summer, narrow down university choices in relation to the June report card grades.

### IBDP2 (year 12 / Hvitfeldtska year 3)

#### Fall semester:

Be in close contact with the Hvitfeldtska IB applications counselor via PIM, in person, and via the "Int'l Applications Classroom." 

Submit a US pre-application form.

Write and submit a personal statement/college essay and receive feedback on up to three drafts in Classroom.

Arrange for a teacher reference or recommendation letter.

Register for and sit any entrance test needed. For the US, sit the second or third SAT test (including the SAT subject tests if needed).

Finalize online applications well ahead of deadlines, with some being as early as October 15 and most by the end of the fall semester (=school internal deadline).

#### Spring semester:

Offers by universities.

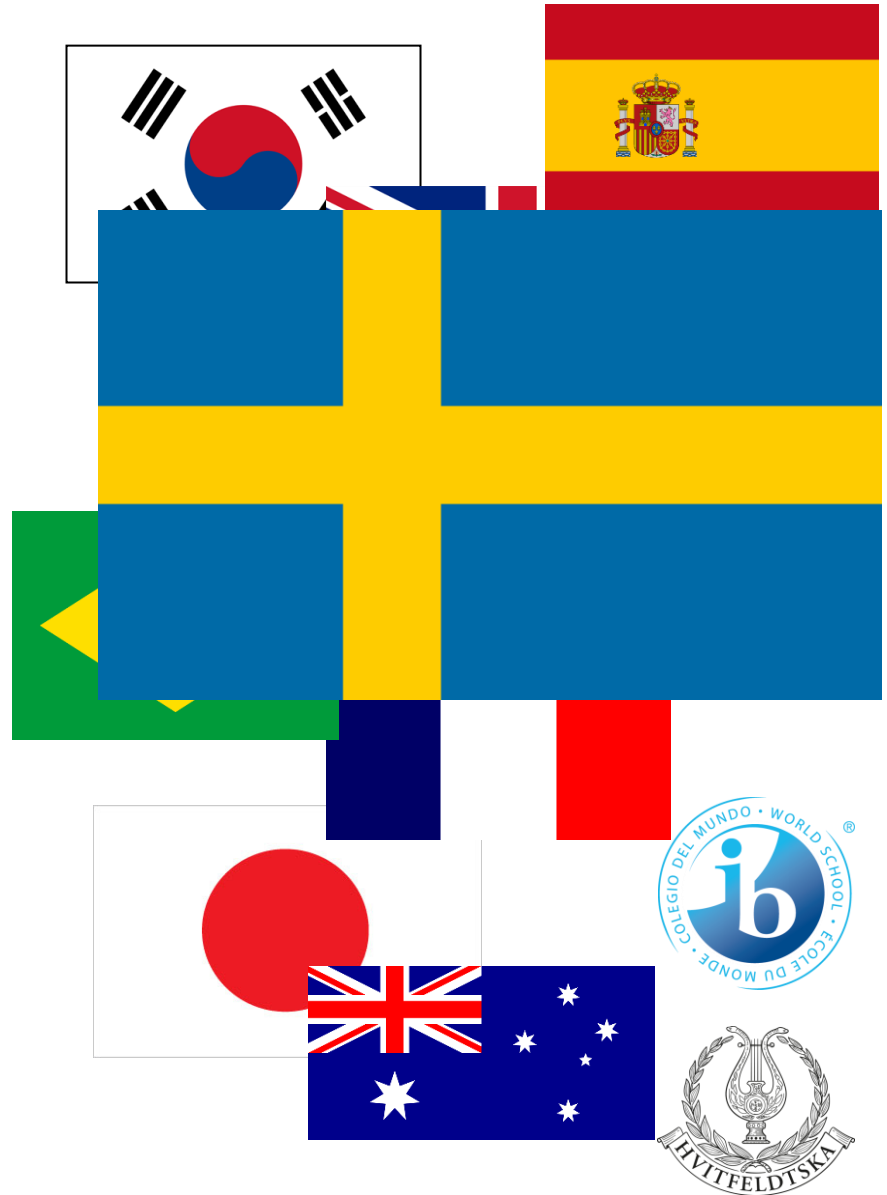
Fill out a form - as instructed by the IB coordinator - in order for the final IB Diploma score to be issued directly to the universities.

## **Fall semester:**

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- Work on extracurricular activities, as guided by the school's CAS coordinator.
- Continue preparing for US university entrance tests if applicable (see year 10, above). Register for a spring test date.
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# Applying in Sweden

- For University programmes in Swedish – Swedish Literature or Swedish Language and Literature give eligibility (SL and HL). Must pass the course (grade 4)
- For students without Swedish – TISUS test or Swedish as second language in adult education or Folk high-school
- Diploma (24 points) needed for general eligibility to university
- IB courses give extra credentials (meritpoäng)

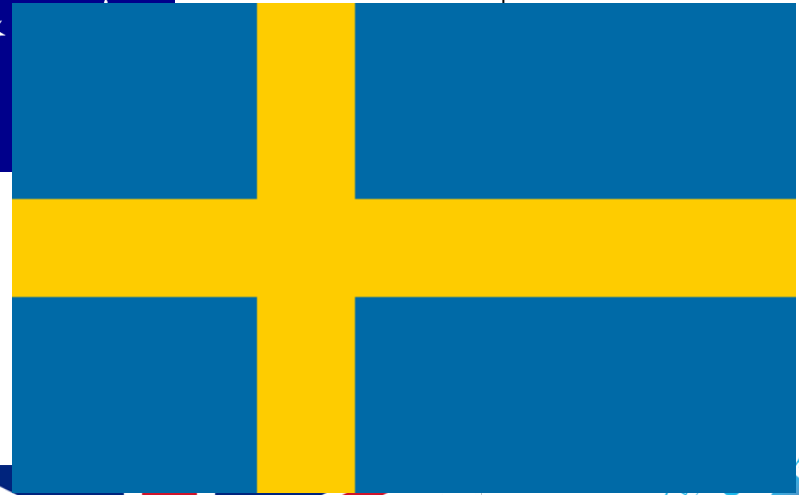
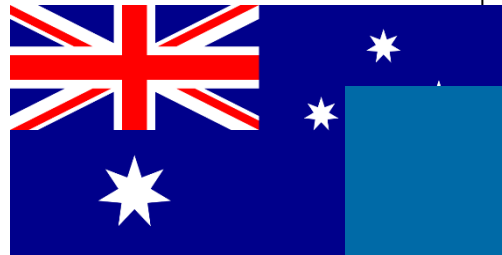




# And...

...the IB prepares you well for what is to come at University:

- Content knowledge
- Language skills
- Study skills





# How hard is the IB then?

High-school takes more effort than Middle-school (grade 7-9), and the IB is more challenging than most other programmes – but the difference is smaller than IB-students tend to think. Last year was a normal Swedish high-school programme...

- 40-hour work-week
- 25 hours of classes + 15 hours of structured study = Good academic standing

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# BUT!!!

1. This means all weeks, not just the ones when there are big tests and assignments. Reading ahead helps!
2. High ambitions = more than 40 hrs/week. Getting into competitive Universities is extremely challenging.

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# 4 necessary elements for successful study:

1. Eating well
2. Sleeping enough
3. Exercise
4. A calendar (test-schedule in Hjärntorget, but smaller assignment happen every week)

Parents are important – as providers and role-models.

Follow from a safe distance – help keeping a balance.

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...and the 5th one:

## 5. Attending classes

There is a strong correlation between attendance and results. In high-school in general, and in the IB programme in particular.

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 DU: James Scott De Pitout  
 E: Emma Edholm  
 Ej: Nicolas Juchere  
 MAC: Anders MacGregor Thmas  
 SN: Ala Samir  
 ST: Mikael Svensson  
 WH: Dagvid Ahlman





## ...but if I can't?

During the Corona pandemic, students might be forced to stay home in order to prevent spread of disease. If you are having symptoms like runny nose, fever, coughing, you should not come to school and contact health care to maybe get tested for Covid-19.

If this happens, the best is that the student contacts all teachers (not just the mentor) via PIM to inform.

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# IB learner profile

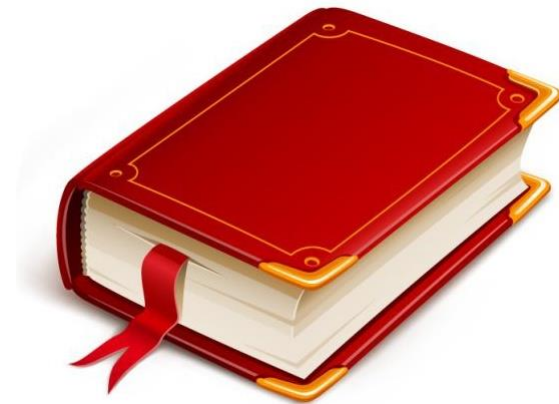
- The IB learner profile is the IB mission statement translated into a set of learning outcomes for the 21st century
- As IB learners we strive to be:
  - inquirers
  - knowledgeable
  - thinkers
  - communicators
  - principled
  - open-minded
  - caring
  - courageous
  - balanced
  - reflective





# Subject switches

- If students realise they are not happy with their choice from the spring
- Window was open to 8/9
- No guarantee it was to be granted!



# CAS, EE and ToK

- Creativity-Activity-Service
- Theory of Knowledge - fosters critical thinking. Trying to answer the question "How do we know what we know"
  - Ethics, Politics, Science, Justifications, etc.
- Extended Essay. 4000 word "essay" on subject of student's choice. Process begins in May of IB2.
- See matrix - next slide for extra points.



# The diploma points matrix

May 2015 onwards

		Theory of knowledge					
		Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D	Grade E	No grade N
Extended essay	Grade A	3	3	2	2	Failing condition	Failing condition
	Grade B	3	2	2	1	Failing condition	Failing condition
	Grade C	2	2	1	0	Failing condition	Failing condition
	Grade D	2	1	0	0	Failing condition	Failing condition
	Grade E	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition
	No grade N	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition	Failing condition

**Changes from *The diploma points matrix (May 2010 - November 2014)*:**

- B + C combination now results in 2 additional points (previously 1 point).
- A + E combination now results in zero points and a failing condition (previously 1 point).

# Looking ahead in the IB 2021-2022

- Nov.1-Nov 5: Fall Break
- Dec 22: Last day of school before Christmas break
- Jan 11: First day of school after Christmas break
- Jan 27th IB2 Parent-teacher talks 13-18
- Feb 14-18 Sports break
- May 24-28: End of Year Exams – Schedule will be mailed to all students and handed out in mentor groups.
- May 31-June 1: Extended Essay workdays
- June 9: Last day of school (June 1 is graduation for IB3)
- Report cards in ManageBac on Dec 22 and June 9



# Deadline Policy

- Policy to keep students' workload even and manageable
- Many deadlines to meet in year 2 and 3, IAs+EAs
- Helping students with personal-management -
- Extended time from teacher – only for valid reasons (See policy)
- *Missing assessment deadlines without approved extended time might cause the student to not get a subject grade*
- *Students might hear of later deadlines – these are for teachers to report to the IBO.*





# Examination fee

- Paid once – November in final year
- Covers examination costs
- Approx. 6 000 kr for 6 subjects + ToK and EE
- Invoice given to students in October, final year



# Web platforms in the IB at Hvitfeldtska

All students offered to borrow a Chromebook from the school – but can use own laptop computer as well since all work is web-based. Get to keep the device if well-kept for 3 years.

Student taking Design technology or Visual Art get to borrow PC laptop instead – but not keep it after graduation.

Parents can also access the platforms:

- Hjärntorget
- ManageBac
- Students also use Google Sites For Education as a work-platform



# ManageBac



- Register by providing e-mail address to IB Coordinator

[james.du.priest@educ.goteborg.se](mailto:james.du.priest@educ.goteborg.se)

- Welcome e-mail – *might end up in spam-folder!*
- Allows viewing upcoming events and deadlines
- [hvitfeldtska.managebac.com](http://hvitfeldtska.managebac.com)





# Reporting of absence

- Hjärntorget for parents.
- Instructions in the school-brochure (school-start).
- Login and password



# How to get an account in Hjärntorget

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TOK IB-parentsmeeting or Extended Essay Sessio ASIB DHL | Sverige | Svensk Skolutveckling Dälig organisation - Hvitfeldtska

plan Program Spets och sektioner Kalendarium **Hjärntorget** Elevinformation Stipendier Samarbetspartners Kontak

Välkommen till Hvitfeldtska!

Vi är en kunskapsinriktad och internationell skola med spebredd som erbjuder högklassig gymnasieutbildning i ett internationellt perspektiv.

Link on the school webpage



# How to get an account in Hjärntorget

The screenshot shows the Hjärntorget website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Göteborgs Stad logo and a 'Logga in' button. Below this is a dark red navigation menu with various categories like 'Om skolan', 'Program', and 'Hjärntorget'. The main content area features the Hjärntorget logo, social media icons, and a 'LYSSNA PÅ INNEHÅLLET' button. A link for 'Inloggning Hjärntorget' is circled in red, with a black arrow pointing to it from the text 'One more click'. Below the login link, there is contact information for staff members. At the bottom, there is a footer with contact details for E-post, Telefon, and Besöksadress, along with a copyright notice for Göteborgs Stads officiella webbplats.

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[Inloggning Hjärntorget](#)

Valkommen till Hjärntorget, pedagogiskt IT-stöd för Göteborgs Stad.

Om du som vårdnadshavare har problem eller frågor gällande Hjärntorget, kontakta 031-3670605 Peter Johansson.

Om du som elev har problem eller frågor gällande Hjärntorget, kontakta 031-3670604 Barbro Hesselgård.

E-post  
info.hvitfeldtska@educ.goteborg.se

Telefon  
031-367 06 00

Besöksadress  
Rektorsgatan 2

Se alla kontaktuppgifter och karta

www.goteborg.se är Göteborgs Stads officiella webbplats, ansvarig utgivare är Helena Mehner.

Kontaktcenter: 031-365 00 00

14:00 2016-06-01



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- PING PONG**: Annat konto. Här kan du logga in om du är vårdnadshavare utan BankID eller har ett manuellt skapat konto.

At the bottom of the page, there are links for "Informationssida" and "Ansök om konto för vårdnadshavare". The text "Powered by PING PONG" is visible in the bottom right corner of the login area.

If you have an electronic BankID  
- Click here and register

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If you do not have an electronic BankID

- This is where you can log in

But you need to get your log-in information by requesting a form from

[mandy.sundborg@educ.goteborg.se](mailto:mandy.sundborg@educ.goteborg.se)

With a manual account, attendance is the only function available.

If it doesn't work...

E-mail:

[mandy.sundborg@educ.goteborg.se](mailto:mandy.sundborg@educ.goteborg.se)



# Parent-teacher talks

- January 27th – 13.00-18.00

No general information given







**Feel free to contact us if you  
have any questions or concerns!**

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