



UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Student Government Association

Resolution 31-05

A Resolution Regarding Expanding the Course Credit that the University of Georgia Awards for Passage of Various International Baccalaureate (IB) Examinations

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WHEREAS, International Baccalaureate programs “give high school students an opportunity to pursue college-level studies while still in high school;¹” and,

WHEREAS, “The IB program has...limited acceptance within the U.S. but is growing in popularity,¹” according to the United States Department of State; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Georgia does not award credit for the passage of a variety of IB examinations that substantially correspond to courses at UGA, and for which many of its peer institutions award credit (see appendix); and,

WHEREAS, if UGA awards credit for the passage of more IB classes, students would not have to repeat courses they have already taken, reducing costs² and freeing students to take other courses; and,

WHEREAS, the addition of more IB course credit may attract more IB students to UGA; and,

¹ “Choices for High School: IB and AP.” *U.S. Department of State*, U.S. Department of State, www.state.gov/m/dghr/flo/c21984.htm.

² Snider, Susannah. “Earn College Credit in High School to Cut Undergrad Costs.” *U.S. News & World Report*, U.S. News & World Report, 12 May 2015, www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/articles/2015/05/12/how-earning-college-credit-in-high-school-can-slash-undergrad-costs.

WHEREAS, UGA's existing IB credit policies³ already award credit for passage of a Standard Level (SL) exam with a score of 5-7 or a Higher Level (HL) exam with a score of 4-7; and,

WHEREAS, UGA's existing IB credit policies³ award credit for multiple classes in some cases, especially for a high score on an HL exam; and,

WHEREAS, According to UGA's Advanced Placement (AP) credit policies,⁴ several AP exams that correspond to IB exams receive credit for a passing score; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the 31st administration of the Student Government Association, on behalf of the student body, recommends that the University of Georgia reassess how course credit for the passage of IB exams is awarded.

³ "IB Equivalences." *Final Exam Schedule | Calendars | General Information | Office of the Registrar*, 31 Oct. 2018, reg.uga.edu/students/credit-from-testing/ib-equivalences/.

⁴ UGA AP Credit Equivalences." *Final Exam Schedule | Calendars | General Information | Office of the Registrar*, 31 Oct. 2018, reg.uga.edu/students/credit-from-testing/ap-equivalences/.

APPENDIX

The following research is based on the Course Objectives and Topical Outlines of the various UGA courses,⁵ the syllabi of the various IB courses, the IB credit policies of UGA's comparator peers schools: Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University ("Virginia Tech"),⁶ Michigan State University ("Michigan State"),⁷ University of Kentucky ("Kentucky"),⁸ Iowa State University ("Iowa State"),⁹ University of Arizona ("Arizona"),¹⁰ University of Iowa ("Iowa"),¹¹ Indiana University – Bloomington ("Indiana"),¹² University of Maryland – College Park ("Maryland"),¹³ North Carolina State University at Raleigh ("NC State"),¹⁴ The Ohio State University ("Ohio State"),¹⁵ University of Missouri – Columbia ("Missouri"),¹⁶ University of California – Davis ("UC Davis"),¹⁷ Purdue University ("Purdue"),¹⁸ Stony Brook University ("Stony Brook"),¹⁹ and the University of Florida ("Florida"),²⁰ the IB credit policies of UGA's aspirational peer schools: Pennsylvania State University ("Penn State"),²¹ University of Texas at

⁵ "Courses." *UGA Online Bulletin: General Information*, www.bulletin.uga.edu/coursesHome.aspx.

⁶ "AP, IB & CLEP Credit." *Office of the University Registrar | Virginia Tech*, 2018, registrar.vt.edu/registration-multi-brief/ap-ib-clep-credit.html.

⁷ *International Baccalaureate Program Equivalencies*. Michigan State University, 17 Jan. 2017, admissions.msu.edu/documents/MSU_IB_Equivalencies.pdf.

⁸ *University of Kentucky International Baccalaureate Program*. Special Academic Programs, 2017, www.uky.edu/admission/sites/www.uky.edu.admission/files/2017-2018IBChart_UK.pdf.

⁹ "International Baccalaureate Program | Iowa State University Admissions." *Admissions*, 2018, www.admissions.iastate.edu/cbe/ib.php.

¹⁰ "International Baccalaureate (IB) Program." *Accelerated Master's Program (AMP) | General Catalog*, University of Arizona, 2018, catalog.arizona.edu/policy/international-baccalaureate-ib-program.

¹¹ "International Baccalaureate Program (IB)." *Iowa Undergraduate Admissions*, 2015, admissions.uiowa.edu/academics/ib.

¹² "International Baccalaureate Exams." *Indiana University Bloomington Office of Admissions*, 2018, admissions.indiana.edu/apply/freshman/ib-exams.html.

¹³ *International Baccalaureate Exams (IB) for General Education*. University of Maryland, 25 May 2017, www.transfercredit.umd.edu/plc/IBGenEd.pdf.

¹⁴ "International Baccalaureate (IB)." *Undergraduate Admissions*, North Carolina State University, 2018, admissions.ncsu.edu/apply/credit-opportunities/international-baccalaureate-ib/.

¹⁵ "IB Tests, Scores and Credit Awarded." *University Registrar*, The Ohio State University, 2018, registrar.osu.edu/priorlearning/ib-tests.html.

¹⁶ "College Credits." *Mizzou Admissions*, 2018, admissions.missouri.edu/apply-freshmen/college-credits/.

¹⁷ *International Baccalaureate (IB) Higher Level Examination Credit*. University of California, Davis, local-resources.ucdavis.edu/local_resources/docs/APIBCharts/IBCurrent.pdf.

¹⁸ Purdue University Office of Admissions. "International Baccalaureate Credit." *Tuition and Fees - Undergraduate Admissions - Purdue University*, 2015, www.admissions.purdue.edu/transfercredit/ibcredit.php.

¹⁹ Stony Brook Office of Communications. "AP & College Credit." *Stony Brook Undergraduate Admissions*, 2018, www.stonybrook.edu/undergraduate-admissions/apply/freshman/ap-college-credit/.

²⁰ "Exam Credit." *University of Florida*, catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-advising/exam-credit/#examstext.

²¹ "Credit from International Baccalaureate (IB) Exams." *Penn State - Undergraduate Admissions*, 2013, admissions.psu.edu/academics/credit/ib/.

Austin (“Texas”),²² University of California – Berkeley (“UC Berkeley”),²³ ²⁴ University of California – Los Angeles (“UCLA”),²⁵ University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (“Illinois”),²⁶ University of Michigan – Ann Arbor (“Michigan”),²⁷ University of Minnesota – Twin Cities (“Minnesota”),²⁸ University of Virginia (“Virginia”),²⁹ and the University of Wisconsin – Madison (“Wisconsin”),³⁰ and UGA’s AP credit policies.

IB Business Management³¹

Virginia Tech, Kentucky, Arizona, Indiana, Maryland, NC State, Missouri, UC Davis, Purdue, Stony Brook, Florida, Penn State, Texas, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Illinois, Minnesota, and Virginia award credit for passage of the IB Business Management exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Business Management is comparable to MARK 3000 (Principles of Marketing) and MGMT 3000 (Principles of Management). The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be either MARK 3000 or MGMT 3000 credit for passage of the SL Business Management exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-5, and both MARK 3000 and MGMT 3000 credit for passage of the HL exam with a score of 6-7.

IB Dance³²

Virginia Tech, Indiana, Maryland, UC Davis, Purdue, Stony Brook, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Illinois, and Michigan award credit for the passage of the IB Dance exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Dance is comparable to DANC 2010 (Dance Appreciation). The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be DANC 2010 credit for the passage of the SL Dance exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

IB Design Technology³³

²² “Search for Undergraduate Exams.” *Search for Undergraduate Exams | UT Testing and Evaluation Services | The University of Texas at Austin*, 2018, [testingservices.utexas.edu/search-undergraduate-exams?field_type_tid\[\]=17](https://testingservices.utexas.edu/search-undergraduate-exams?field_type_tid[]=17).

²³ “International Baccalaureate Credits.” *University of California - Admissions*, admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/exam-credit/ib-credits/index.html.

²⁴ “Higher Level IB Exam Equivalency Chart.” *Exam Equivalency Chart*, University of California, Berkeley, June 2018, [nature.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/AP & IB Exam Equivalency Chart_0.pdf](https://nature.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/AP%20&%20IB%20Exam%20Equivalency%20Chart_0.pdf).

²⁵ “International Baccalaureate (IB) Exam Credit.” *Fees, Tuition, and Estimated Student Budget - UCLA Undergraduate Admission*, www.admission.ucla.edu/Prospect/IBCcredit.htm.

²⁶ “International Baccalaureate.” *Freshman Application Requirements, Illinois Undergraduate Admissions*, 2018, admissions.illinois.edu/Apply/Freshman/college-credit-IB.

²⁷ “AP, IB Credit.” *Costs | Undergraduate Admissions*, University of Michigan, 2018, admissions.umich.edu/apply/freshmen-applicants/ap-ib-credit.

²⁸ “International Baccalaureate Course Awards.” *Office of Admissions*, University of Minnesota, 19 Sept. 2018, admissions.tc.umn.edu/academics/ib.html.

²⁹ “International College-Level Exam Credit.” *Undergraduate The College of Arts and Sciences*, University of Virginia, 8 Nov. 2018, college.as.virginia.edu/iclec.

³⁰ “College Coursework, AP, A-Level, Cambridge Pre-U, IB, and CLEP.” *Visit Bucky | Office of Admissions and Recruitment - University of Wisconsin-Madison*, 2018, www.admissions.wisc.edu/apply/freshman/apib.php.

³¹ IB Organization. “Business and Management.” *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/individuals-and-societies/business-and-management/.

³² IB Organization. “Dance.” *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/the-arts/dance/.

³³ IB Organization. “Design Technology.” *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/sciences/design-technology/.

Michigan State, Indiana, Maryland, NC State, Purdue, Stony Brook, Florida, Penn State, Illinois, and Michigan award credit for passage of the IB Design Technology exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Design Technology is comparable to ENGR 1120 (Engineering Graphics and Design). The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be ENGR 1120 credit for the passage of the SL Design Technology exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

IB Economics³⁴

Virginia Tech, Michigan State, Arizona, Iowa, Indiana, Maryland, NC State, Ohio State, UC Davis, Florida, Penn State, Texas, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Virginia, and Wisconsin award credit for both macroeconomics and microeconomics for passage of the IB Economics exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Economics is comparable to ECON 2105 (Principles of Macroeconomics) and ECON 2106 (Principles of Macroeconomics), and UGA awards credit for both for passage of the corresponding AP exams, but UGA only awards credit for one of these courses but not both for the passage of the IB exam. The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be both ECON 2105 and ECON 2106 credit for the passage of the HL Economics exam with a score of 6-7.

IB Environmental Systems and Societies³⁵

Virginia Tech, Iowa State, Arizona, Maryland, Missouri, Purdue, Florida, Texas, Illinois, and Virginia award credit for passage of the IB Environmental Systems and Societies exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Environmental Systems and Societies is comparable to ECOL 1000-1000L (Ecological Basis of Environmental Issues), and UGA awards credit for passage of the comparable AP Environmental Science exam. The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be ECOL 1000-1000L credit for the passage of the SL Environmental Systems and Societies exam with a score of 5-7.

IB Global Politics³⁶

IB Global Politics was first available for testing in 2017,³⁷ so few of UGA's peer schools offer information about the course. However, at UGA, IB Global Politics is comparable to INTL 1100 (Introduction to Global Issues), and UGA awards credit for the passage of the comparable AP Comparative Government and Politics exam. The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be INTL 1100 credit for the passage of the SL Global Politics exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

IB Information Technology in a Global Society³⁸

³⁴ IB Organization. "Economics." *International Baccalaureate*[®], www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/individuals-and-societies/economics/.

³⁵ IB Organization. "Environmental Systems and Societies." *International Baccalaureate*[®], www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/sciences/environmental-systems-and-societies/.

³⁶ IB Organization. "Global Politics." *International Baccalaureate*[®], www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/individuals-and-societies/global-politics/.

³⁷ Seigel, Dora. "The Complete List of IB Courses and Classes." *SAT / ACT Prep Online Guides and Tips*, PrepScholar, 1 June 2018, blog.prepscholar.com/the-complete-list-of-ib-courses-and-classes.

³⁸ IB Organization. "Information Technology in a Global Society." *International Baccalaureate*[®], www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/individuals-and-societies/information-technology-in-a-global-society/.

Virginia Tech, Kentucky, Iowa State, Arizona, Missouri, Purdue, Stony Brook, Florida, Penn State, Texas, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin award credit for passage of the IB Information Technology in a Global Society exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Information Technology in a Global Society is comparable to CSCI 1100-1100L (Topics in Computing), and UGA awards credit for the passage of the comparable AP Computer Science Principles exam. The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be CSCI 1100-1100L credit for the passage of the SL Information Technology in a Global Society exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

IB Mathematics³⁹

Michigan State, Ohio State, Purdue, Michigan, and Minnesota award credit up to Calculus II, and all of these schools plus Virginia Tech, Kentucky, Iowa State, Arizona, Iowa, Maryland, NC State, Missouri, UC Davis, Florida, Penn State, Texas, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Illinois, Virginia, and Wisconsin award credit up to Calculus I, for the passage of the IB Mathematics exam with certain scores. At UGA, depending on the level of the IB course and performance on the exam, IB Mathematics is comparable to courses up to MATH 2260 (Calculus II), and UGA awards credit up to MATH 2260 for passage, depending on the level of performance, of the comparable AP Calculus BC exam, but UGA only awards credit up to MATH 1113 (Precalculus) for passage of the IB exam. The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be up to MATH 1113 for the passage of the SL Mathematics exam with a score of 5, up to MATH 2250 for the passage of the SL exam with a score of 6-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-5, and up to MATH 2260 for the passage of the HL exam with a score of 6-7.

IB Philosophy⁴⁰

Virginia Tech, Michigan State, Iowa State, Iowa, Indiana, Maryland, NC State, Ohio State, Missouri, UC Davis, Purdue, Stony Brook, Florida, Penn State, Texas, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Illinois, Michigan, Virginia, and Wisconsin award credit for passage of the IB Philosophy exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Philosophy is comparable to PHIL 2010 (Introduction to Philosophy). The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be PHIL 2010 credit for the passage of the SL Philosophy exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

IB Social and Cultural Anthropology⁴¹

Virginia Tech, Michigan State, Kentucky, Iowa State, Arizona, Iowa, Indiana, Maryland, NC State, Ohio State, Missouri, UC Davis, Purdue, Stony Brook, Florida, Texas, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Illinois, Michigan, Virginia, and Wisconsin award credit for passage of the IB Social and Cultural Anthropology exam with certain scores. While there is no directly comparable course at UGA, IB Social and Cultural Anthropology still represents college-level work. The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be a 1000-level anthropology elective credit for the passage of the SL Social and Cultural Anthropology exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

³⁹ IB Organization. "Mathematics." *International Baccalaureate*®, <https://www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/mathematics/>.

⁴⁰ IB Organization. "Philosophy." *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/individuals-and-societies/philosophy/.

⁴¹ IB Organization. "Social and Cultural Anthropology." *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/individuals-and-societies/social-and-cultural-anthropology/.

IB Sports, Exercise, and Health Science⁴²

Arizona, Maryland, Purdue, Stony Brook, and Illinois award credit for passage of the IB Sports, Exercise, and Health Science exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Sports, Exercise, and Health Science is comparable to KINS 2010 (Introduction to Kinesiology). The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be KINS 2010 credit for the passage of the SL Sports, Exercise, and Health Science exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

IB Theatre⁴³

Virginia Tech, Michigan State, Kentucky, Iowa State, Arizona, Iowa, Indiana, Maryland, NC State, Missouri, UC Davis, Purdue, Stony Brook, Florida, Penn State, Texas, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Illinois, Michigan, Virginia, and Wisconsin award credit for passage of the IB Theatre exam with certain scores. At UGA, IB Theatre is comparable to THEA 2010 (Introduction to Acting). The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be THEA 2010 credit for the passage of the SL Theatre exam with a score of 5-7 or the HL exam with a score of 4-7.

IB Theory of Knowledge⁴⁴

Virginia Tech and Purdue award credit for successful completion of the Theory of Knowledge course. At UGA, Theory of Knowledge is comparable to PHIL 2010 (Introduction to Philosophy). The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be PHIL 2010 credit for passage of the Theory of Knowledge course with a grade of A-C.

IB World Religions⁴⁵

Virginia Tech, Arizona, Maryland, Missouri, Purdue, Penn State, and Illinois award credit for passage of the IB World Religions exam with certain scores. While there is no directly comparable course at UGA, IB World Religions still represents college-level work. The research suggests a comparable award at UGA would be a 1000-level religion elective credit for the passage of the SL World Religions exam with a score of 5-7.

⁴² IB Organization. "Sports, Exercise, and Health Science." *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/sciences/sports-exercise-and-health-science/.

⁴³ IB Organization. "Theatre." *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/the-arts/theatre/.

⁴⁴ IB Organization. "Theory of Knowledge." *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/theory-of-knowledge/.

⁴⁵ IB Organization. "World Religions." *International Baccalaureate*®, www.ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/curriculum/individuals-and-societies/world-religions/.