



IB diploma programme

Today we live in a global community, a global community that requires an open mind and international awareness. IB is a rigorous programme that equips graduates with the necessary tools to excel. If you want an active future within an international context then IB at Carlforsska is for you.

IB is the world's only internationally recognised high school. It is available in over 5,700 schools in 159 countries worldwide. The whole curriculum is taught in English and after you have your diploma you will be able to continue your education anywhere in the world. This is made that much easier as IB is a highly esteemed programme that employers and universities around the world instantly recognise and respect.

You should choose the IB diploma programme if you:

- Want to study in English
- Want your studies to be demanding
- Want to be able to tailor your curriculum to your own desires and future plans
- Want to become an active world citizen
- Want an international perspective to your high school studies and the option of university studies anywhere in the world



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Pre-DP – an initial, preparatory year

In Sweden, you study the diploma programme over the course of three years, of which the first year is a preparatory year. During year 1, you will study subjects that bridge between your previous studies and the diploma programme. Within your first year you will follow several unique courses that develop your understanding of IB as well as the skills essential for success within IB.

Year 1 gives you the chance to acclimatise to studying in English, as well as providing support for finding your preferred study techniques. In addition, you will be given an introduction to all the DP subjects in order for you to make educated choices for years 2 and 3.

Pre-DP, year 1

*Subjects**

Swedish/Swedish as a second language

English/English as a second language

Physics

Mathematics

Natural science

Psychology

Physical education

Visual arts

Social science

Study skills

**All of the courses are preparatory for the IB diploma programme.*

***Choose another subject from group 1, 2, 3 or 4 depending upon your interests.*

N.B. The curriculum is subject to change.

The diploma programme curriculum year 2 and 3

During year 2 and 3, you will study one subject from each Group:

- **Group 1** Language A – studies in language and literature: Swedish and English, studies in literature: Arabic, Spanish, Serbian, Lithuanian, Russian, Somali or your own native language.
- **Group 2** Language B – language acquisition: English, Swedish.
- **Group 3** Individuals and Societies: global politics, environmental systems and societies, psychology.
- **Group 4** Sciences: chemistry, physics, biology, environmental systems and societies.
- **Group 5** Mathematics: Higher level or standard level mathematics are offered.
- **Group 6** Arts: Visual arts or elective**

Theory of Knowledge (TOK), Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS) and Extended Essay (EE)

Beside the disciplinary and interdisciplinary studies as outlined above, the diploma programme features three core elements that are designed to broaden your educational experience and challenge you to apply your knowledge and skills. All students follow an interdisciplinary course in TOK that develops critical thinking and a deeper understanding of both your studies and yourself. CAS stimulates social engagement, personal creativity as well as physical activity. Your EE is a research project which is an extensive research paper on one subject, equivalent to Swedish "Gymnasiearbete".

Do you want to know more about IB?

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