



Compass International School IB Diploma/Courses Admissions Policy

The IBO mission statement:

The International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end the IBO works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment. These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

Preamble

Compass International School, Doha (CISD) as part of the Nord Anglia Education group offers and delivers both the IB Diploma and IB Courses programme over two years (Years 12 and 13) for the 16-18 year old age bracket.

The IB Diploma Programme offered at CISD is offered with the principle commitment to equal access and opportunity as per the philosophy of the IBO but reserves the right to take into account prior educational achievement and linguistic background during the admissions process to ensure suitability of educational pathway and subject/levels chosen.

Entrance requirements for existing Compass students for full IB Diploma:

- Students must achieve 5+ A*-C grades in their IGCSE subjects (or the 1-9 equivalent) including Mathematics, Science and English, upon the official release of results in August
- Students must achieve at least a C grade at IGCSE in order to pursue that subject, or another subject in the related IB subject group at IB Standard Level
- Students must achieve at least a B grade at IGCSE in order to pursue that subject, or another subject in the related IB subject group at IB Higher Level
- CAT 4 testing will be undertaken by all students to ascertain appropriate subjects and levels and meetings will take place to discuss subjects and levels.



Entrance requirements for external students for studying full diploma:

- If student has sat IGCSE's, the requirements are as per existing Compass students above.
- If a student is applying having completed another national exam system, all effort shall be made to ensure equitability with IGCSE entry requirements. The school reserves the right to delay application until all efforts are made to ensure equitability.
- As per Compass internal applicants, subject and level suitability will be sought on the basis of current IGCSE equivalent national results
- CAT 4 testing will be undertaken by all students to ascertain appropriate subjects and levels and meetings will take place to discuss subjects and levels.

Entrance requirements for IB Courses programme (internal and external candidates):

- If the entrance requirements for the IB Diploma programme cannot be met, a place on the IB Courses programme will be made.
- Students choose between 2 and 5 subjects at either SL/HL or combination.
- Suitability of subjects and levels will be made at meeting based upon IGCSE (or equivalent) results).
- Core subjects are optional (CAS, Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay) and can be chosen as part of programme of study.

Special Educational Needs or other requirements:

- Please consult with the school directly with queries.