

International Baccalaureate

JMU recognizes the International Baccalaureate diploma and individual IB courses by awarding credit on IB higher-level examinations in essentially the same manner in which credit is allowed for Advanced Placement courses.

Typically, credit hours will be awarded for each higher-level examination on which a score of five, six or seven has been earned. Credit hour equivalencies are reviewed annually by academic unit.

Some standard-level examinations will also be considered for credit. The university encourages the completion of the IB diploma and will give special consideration for admission to students who have completed the IB program. The grading scale is from one to seven, with seven being the highest score.

For a full listing of available IB courses and credit opportunities, refer to the International Baccalaureate Courses table.

2022-2023 International Baccalaureate Courses

This information is subject to change at the discretion of James Madison University. For the 2022-2023 academic year, the scores displayed in the online catalog supersede the scores in the printed undergraduate catalog.

Once IB credit has been posted to the transcript, it will not be removed unless it was posted in error, or the student subsequently repeats the course at JMU and earns a passing grade (D- or better).

Higher-Level IB Courses

<i>2022-2023 International Baccalaureate Courses</i>			
International Baccalaureate Course	Minimum Required Score	JMU Equivalent	Credit Hours Earned
Anthropology (social and cultural)	5	ANTH 195 & ANTH elective	6
Art/Design	6	ART 102 & ART 292	6
	5	ART 102	3
	4	ART 292	3
Art/Visual	5	ART 102	3

Biology	7	BIO 103 & ISCI 104 and BIO 000 ¹	8
	5	BIO 000 ¹ (elective)	4
Chemistry	5	Majors: CHEM 131 , CHEM 132	6
	5	Nonmajors: CHEM 131 , CHEM 131L , CHEM 132 , CHEM 132L	8
Computing Studies	5	CS 149	4
Economics	6	ECON 201 , ECON 200	6
English A	5	WRTC 103	3
English A, Language and Literature (INTBA English)	5	WRTC 103	3
Foreign Languages (Same course numbers in each language)	7	300 + elective	6
	6	231-232	6
	5	231	3
	4	102	4
Geography	6	GEOG 200	3
	5	GEOG elective	3
History: All Regions	6	HIST elective	6
	5	HIST elective	3
History: Africa	6	HIST 263	3
	5	HIST 263	3
History: Americas	5	HIST 225	4
History: West and South Asia	6	HIST electives	6
	5	HIST elective	3
History: East and Southeast Asia and Australia	6	HIST electives	6
	5	HIST elective	3

Mathematics	5	MATH 235	4
Physics	5	PHYS 140 & PHYS 150	6
Psychology	4	PSYC 101	3

Standard-Level IB Courses

International Baccalaureate Course	Minimum Required Score	JMU Equivalent	Credit Hours Earned
Social Anthropology (social and cultural)	5	ANTH 195	3
Art/Design	7	ART 292	3
	6	ART 292	3
Chemistry	6	Majors: CHEM 131	3
	6	Nonmajors: CHEM 131 - CHEM 131L	4
Economics	6	ECON 201 with IB diploma	3
Foreign Languages (Same course numbers in each language)	7	232	3
	6	231	3
	5	102	4
Geography	5	GEOG elective	3
Global Politics	5	POSC 200	3
History	5	HIST elective	3
Math Analysis & Approaches	5	MATH 205	3
Math Applications & Interpretations	5	MATH 205	3
Physics	6	PHYS 140 and PHYS 150	6

Psychology	6	PSYC 101	3
World Religions	5	REL 101	3

¹ BIO 000 does not count toward major or minor requirements in biology or toward general education requirements but is elective credit toward a degree.