

THE INTERNATIONAL BRITISH CURRICULUM

Paving the Way for Global Academic Excellence

The British Curriculum, renowned for its structured approach to education, commences at grade nine and culminates in grade twelve. At the heart of this curriculum lies the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE), a pivotal qualification for students aged 14 to 16. Recognized by premier universities and employers around the world, the IGCSE serves as an international passport to progression and success.

Curriculum and Learning

The IGCSE offers a flexible and stimulating curriculum, supported by exceptional resources and training materials. It is meticulously designed to enhance the academic performance of students by nurturing lifelong learning skills such as creative thinking, inquiry, and problem-solving. With a broad spectrum of subjects including Mathematics, English, Arabic, Sciences, Business, ICT, and more, the IGCSE stands as the ideal springboard to advanced studies.

Assessment and Evaluation

Assessment in the IGCSE is multifaceted, encompassing written, oral, coursework, and practical evaluations. This diversity allows students to showcase their learning in various forms, which is particularly beneficial for those whose first language is not English. The curriculum offers core and extended options, catering to a wide range of abilities. The grading system is benchmarked with eight internationally recognized grades, A* to G or 1 to 9, providing clear standards for each level of achievement.

Examination and Certification

Cambridge IGCSE examinations are conducted twice a year, in May/June and October/November, with results issued in August and January whereas Pearson Edexcel and Oxford AQA exams are held in May/June, October/November and in January. The AIS, as a fully certified center with the University of Cambridge International Examinations, ensures that students receive a qualification that is valued and respected globally.

Advanced Studies and Specialization

Upon completion of the IGCSE, students may pursue up to four Advanced Subsidiary (AS) and Advanced Level (A Level) courses. These syllabuses are tailored to prepare students for university studies, with Edexcel International AS and A Level qualifications being recognized for their academic rigor. AS and A Levels have served as a benchmark for assessing student ability for over six decades.

Streams and Subject Choices

AIS provides AS and A Level student with the opportunity to specialize in either the Arts or Sciences. The Arts stream offers subjects such as English, Mathematics, Economics, Accounting, Computer Science, and Business Studies, while the Science stream includes Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.

Academic

We offer an international curriculum that is based on global best practices and customized to fit our specific needs. Our students prepare for IGCSEs in Grades 9 and 10 and then follow an international A-level. We can offer the Advanced Placement (AP) for students who are committed to applying to US universities from an early age.

WHAT IS CAMBRIDGE IGCSE?

The Cambridge **International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE)** is provided by the University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE), the world's largest provider of international qualifications for 14–19 years old.

Cambridge IGCSE is a high-profile qualification with an excellent reputation. It is recognized by universities and institutes of higher education around the world. It is equivalent in standard to the UK GCSE and Cambridge International GCE O Level examinations.

IGCSE is a two-year program starting in Grade 9. A student who has completed their early schooling from any other school can join the IGCSE program in Grade 9 and complete it at the end of Grade 10. It is an international alternative to many popular national curricula.

WHY IGCSE?

- 📖 Encourages high academic standards through a practical approach to teaching and learning.
- 📖 Assessment is not limited to conventional written papers, and they consist of a variety of tests, e.g., oral and listening tests.
- 📖 Most subjects offer a choice between core curriculum and extended curriculum.
- 📖 Cambridge IGCSE provides a comprehensive study program across many subject areas.
- 📖 Within the curriculum, there is a balanced mix of practical experience and theoretical knowledge.
- 📖 With a choice of Core and Extended papers in most subjects, the Cambridge IGCSE is suitable for students with different levels of ability.

CORE AND EXTENDED

This gives students of all ability levels the freedom to choose subjects that are right for them and, thereby, the opportunity to score good grades.

The **core** curriculum is an overview of the subject and is suitable for students who are expected to achieve grades C to G.

The **extended** curriculum is like a specialization in that subject. It is more challenging and designed for students who are expected to achieve grades A* to C.

BOARDS

There are many boards of exam providers; all of them are approved by the UK government, and the certificates are recognized internationally. There are three boards of exam providers in Saudi Arabia;

- 1) CAMBRIDGE ASSESSMENT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
- 2) OXFORD INTERNATIONAL AQA EXAMINATIONS
- 3) PEARSON EDEXCEL



WHAT IS NEXT AFTER IGCSE LEVEL?

- There are three sessions of examination in a year and the student can preferably appear for the IGCSE EXAMS by the end of grade 10.
- A student who has passed IGCSE is eligible for sixth-form educational qualifications, like any international pre-university program, e.g., IB Diploma, Advanced Placement Diploma (US), and A/AS Level & AICE (UK)

AIS offers the opportunities to AS and A level student to move into two streams, either the Art (Only in girls) or Science stream. Students once they have finished their IGCSE are asked to choose one of the two main streams.

- If the results are not acceptable to join the A-level course, the student has a choice of either repeating the exams or can enter into college board with a foundation program.
- Many universities require both IGCSE and A/Level qualifications to enter the undergraduate program.

RECOGNITION

IGCSE and A-LEVEL certificates are being recognized by almost all the universities in the world, including top ranked universities.

It also satisfies the entry requirement of institutions and universities in many countries. Therefore, students may enter university after finishing IGCSE. With a foundation program, you can still prefer to continue to A-Level and enter the undergraduate directly

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