

Cambridge AICE Diploma qualification

The Cambridge AICE Diploma is a group certificate which requires learners to study:

1. Cambridge AS Level Global Perspectives & Research (Mandatory)
2. Mathematics and Science (Group 1)
3. Languages (Group 2)
4. Arts and Humanities (Group 3).
5. There is the option to study interdisciplinary and skills-based subjects (Group 4/Optional).

We hold Cambridge International AS & A Level exam series twice a year, in June and November. Results are issued in August and January. In India only, we offer a March exam series with results issued in late May.

Cambridge AICE Diploma Credits

To achieve the Cambridge AICE Diploma, learners must achieve a minimum of seven credits (including Cambridge International AS Level Global Perspectives & Research) from subject groups 1, 2, and 3 (and optionally Group 4) to be awarded the Diploma. Learners must achieve at least one credit from each of Groups 1, 2 and 3.

The remaining credits can come from any of the groups. A maximum of two credits can count from Group 4. A Cambridge International AS Level is awarded one credit, and a Cambridge International A Level is awarded two credits. The following combinations of credits are valid for the Diploma:

A Levels (2 credits each)	AS Levels(1 credit each)	Cambridge International AS Level Global Perspectives & Research (9239)	Total
3	0	1	7 credits
2	2	1	7 credits
1	4	1	7 credits
0	6	1	7 credits

Study and assessment options

Cambridge International AS Level is typically a one-year course and Cambridge International A Level is typically a two-year course. The structure of the course content and assessment makes it possible to co-teach learners who are following both the Cambridge International AS and A Level routes.

- Take all Cambridge International A Level components in the same examination session at the end of the course of study, normally the end of the second year.
- Follow a staged assessment to Cambridge International A Level by taking the Cambridge International AS Level qualification in one examination series, and the final part of assessment (Cambridge International A Level) in a subsequent series.
- Take the Cambridge International AS Level only.

Accumulating results over multiple exam series

A learner can accumulate results to be used towards the Cambridge AICE Diploma over more than one exam series. They can use up to five exam series to take the equivalent of six full credit examinations as long as they are taken within a 25-month period. For example, a candidate entering for the Cambridge AICE Diploma in November 2017 may only use previous results gained in the November 2015, June 2016, November 2016 and June 2017 examination series.

These candidates must be entered for the Cambridge AICE Diploma in the final exam series. Please refer to the Cambridge Guide to Making Entries for information on how to enter students for the Cambridge AICE Diploma. The guide is available to Cambridge exam officers on [CIE Direct](#) or you can [contact us](#) to request a copy.

Assessment

Cambridge International A Level uses a wide range of assessment processes and techniques to supplement formal written examinations – orals, practicals, projects and coursework of various types are all used in various subjects where they are the most effective and appropriate means of measuring attainment.

Cambridge International A Level subjects are graded from A* to E. Cambridge International AS Level subjects are graded A to E. There is no A* grade awarded at Cambridge International AS Level. The Cambridge AICE Diploma is awarded on a points system, so each grade is converted to a number of points as shown in the table below.

Grade A* is awarded 140 points, however the maximum number of Cambridge AICE Diploma points is capped at 420.

Two credits study (A Levels)		One credits study (AS Levels)	
Grade	Points	Grade	Points
A*	140	-	-
A	120	A	60
B	100	B	50
C	80	C	40
D	60	D	30
E	40	E	20

Learners who meet the requirements of the group award will receive a Cambridge AICE Diploma at one of three levels: Pass, Merit or Distinction. The level awarded is based on the overall Cambridge AICE Diploma score.

Cambridge AICE Diploma with Distinction: awarded to students with a score of 360 points or above. The maximum Diploma score is 420 points.

Cambridge AICE Diploma with Merit: awarded to students with between 250 and 359 points.

Cambridge AICE Diploma at Pass level: awarded to students with between 140 and 249 points.

Learners who do not meet the requirements of the group award will receive certificates for their individual subjects.