

Recognition of the International Baccalaureate

The International Baccalaureate (IB) is an internationally recognised high school diploma. The grades obtained in each subject as well as the choice of subjects determine whether an additional entrance exam is requested to enter a specific university course. This applies both to Swiss and international universities.

In case the final result in some subjects is unsatisfactory, it is possible to resit the corresponding exams in these subjects only, unlike for the Swiss Matura, which demands that the exam as a whole be repeated.

Students from the United World Colleges (UWC) applying to universities are generally welcome by universities in Switzerland and abroad, thanks to the excellent academic standards of the UWC and to the worldwide recognition of the IB.

Swiss universities generally recognise the IB under certain conditions defined by each university. As a rule, the results of the final IB exam and the choice of IB subjects play a significant role. Certain universities may require the applicant to take an entrance exam. Because of changing regulations it is advisable to check the updated websites mentioned below.

Further information on the curriculum and the international recognition of the IB is given by:

International Baccalaureate Organisation
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For up to date information on the recognition of the IB in Swiss Universities and higher education institutions, please refer to the webpage of the Rectors' Conference of the Swiss Universities (CRUS):

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