

Bellarmino University IB Policy

Applicable for new exam results and students who started Spring 2021 or later

International Baccalaureate (IB) Policy: Bellarmine University offers academic credit and some placement to students who earn scores of 5, 6, or 7 on the International Baccalaureate exams. Some Bellarmine programs offer credit for scores of 4 on these exams, however some exams are only accepted at the Higher Level (HL), not the Standard Level (SL). This table is a current listing of how credits will transfer. Credit and placement exams not included on this list will be determined on an individual basis after review by the Registrar and appropriate department chair. IB exam scores are recorded on the Bellarmine transcript as earned credits and do not calculate into the Bellarmine GPA. IB scores do not count towards "residency" credits earned at Bellarmine. Credit will not be awarded for both IB and AP exams in the same subject. If you subsequently take a course at Bellarmine for which you received IB credit placement, you will not be awarded credit for that subsequent course; it would be considered a repeat. To request IB scores, visit www.ibo.org.

Exam Name	Level	Minimum Score for BU Credit	Bellarmino Equivalent Course(s)	Number of BU Credits Granted	Fulfills one General Education Requirement
Anthropology	SL	5	ANTH 111	3	Social Sciences
	HL	4	ANTH 111	3	Social Sciences
Biology	SL	5	BIOL 115	3	Natural Sciences
	HL	5	BIOL 115	3	Natural Sciences
Chemistry	SL	5	CHEM 109	3	Natural Sciences
	HL	5	CHEM 109	3	Natural Sciences
Chinese	SL	4	CHIN 101	3	
		5	CHIN 101 and CHIN 102	6	
	HL	4	CHIN 201	3	
		5	CHIN 201 and CHIN 202	6	
Computer Science	HL	4	General Elective Credit	3	
Dance	HL	4	Fine Arts Gen Ed Credit	3	Fine & Performing Arts
Design Technology	HL	4	Communications Elective Credit	3	
Economics	HL	5	ECON 110 and ECON 111	6	Social Sciences
English A1	SL	5	ENGL 101	3	English Composition
	HL	4	ENGL 101	3	English Composition
French B	SL	4	FREN 101	3	
		5	FREN 101 and FREN 102	6	
	HL	4	FREN 201	3	
		5	FREN 201 and FREN 202	6	
German B	SL	4	GERM 101	3	
		5	GERM 101 and GERM 102	6	
	HL	4	GERM 201	3	
		5	GERM 201 and GERM 202	6	
History	SL	5	HIST 116 and HIST 117	6	Western Tradition
	HL	5	HIST 116 and HIST 117	6	Western Tradition
History of Europe	HL	5	HIST 116 and HIST 117	6	Western Tradition
History of the Americas	HL	5	HIST 201 and HIST 202	6	
History of the Islamic World	HL	5	History Elective Credit	6	
Information Technology in a Global Society	SL	4	Communications Elective Credit	3	
	HL	4	Communications Elective Credit	3	
Italian	HL	4	ITAL 201	3	
		5	ITAL 201 and ITAL 202	6	

Japanese B	SL	4	JPN 101	3	
		5	JPN 101 and JPN 102	6	
	HL	4	JPN 201	3	
		5	JPN 201 and JPN 202	6	
Latin	SL	5	LAT 101 and LAT 102	6	
	HL	4	LATN 201	3	
		5	LATN 201 and LATN 202	6	
Mathematics	SL	4 or 5	Meets MATH 117 prereq	N/A	
		6 or 7	MATH 117	4	Mathematics
	HL	4 or 5	MATH 117	4	Mathematics
		6 or 7	MATH 117 and MATH 118	8	Mathematics
Math Studies	SL	5	MATH 107	3	Mathematics
Music	SL	4	MUSC 101	3	
	HL	4	MUSC 101	3	
Physics	SL	5	Physics Gen Ed Credit	3	Natural Sciences
	HL	5	Physics Gen Ed Credit	3	Natural Sciences
Psychology	SL	4	PSYC 103	3	Social Sciences
	HL	4	PSYC 103	3	Social Sciences
Spanish B	SL	4	SPAN 101	3	
		5	SPAN 101 and SPAN 102	6	
	HL	4	SPAN 201	3	
		5	SPAN 201 and SPAN 202	6	
Theatre Arts	SL	4	THEA 101	3	Fine & Performing Arts
	HL	4	THEA 101	3	Fine & Performing Arts
Visual Arts	SL	4	ART 211	3	Fine & Performing Arts
	HL	4	ART 211	3	Fine & Performing Arts
World Religions	SL	4	THEO 200	3	Theology
	HL	4	THEO 200	3	Theology