

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

International Baccalaureate Program Equivalencies

Note: MSU recognizes subjects taken at the higher level (HL). This table reflects HL subject equivalencies.

IB Subject	Score	Credit or Waive	MSU Equivalent	Adviser
Amharic A - Literature	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	AFR GCU	
Art/Design Visual Art	7	9 credits + Waive courses	STA GCU + Waive appropriate Studio Art courses from STA 110, 113, 114 based on advisor review of a portfolio of personal work*	
	6	9 credits	STA GCU †	
	5	6 credits	STA GCU	
*The program description specifically stresses an emphasis on the individual media and expressive development available to the student. The correspondence of the work undertaken and the course content of STA 110, 111, 113, 114 can only be determined by a review of the actual work.				
Biology	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	BS 161, 162, GCU, and waive BS 171, 172	ISB
Business and Management	7, 6, or 5	No credit		
Business and Organization	7, 6, or 5	No credit		
Chemistry	7 or 6	8 credits	CEM 151, 152, 161	ISP
	5	5 credits	CEM 141, 161	ISP
Computer Science	7, 6, or 5	3 credits	CSE GCU	
Dance	7, 6, or 5	3 credits	DAN GCU	
Design Technology	7, 6, or 5	3 credits	EGR GCU	
Economics	7 or 6	6 credits	EC 201, 202	ISS
	5	Waive course (no credit)	Waive EC 201, 202	
Economic Policy	7, 6, or 5	1.5 credits	EC GCU	
English A – Language & Literature	7 or 6	8 credits	ENG GCU	
	5	4 credits	ENG GCU	
English A - Literature	7 or 6	8 credits	WRA 101 (effective FS16) (Tier I requirement)/ GCU	
	5	4 Credits	WRA 101 (effective FS16)	
English A2	7,6, or 5	4 credits	WRA GCU	
Environmental Systems	Any	No credit		
Film	7 or 6	8 credits	ENG 130, GCU	
	5	4 credits	ENG 130	
Geography	7, 6, or 5	3 credits	GEO GCU	ISS
Global Politics	7 or 6	3 credits	PLS 160	
	5	3 credits	PLS GCU	
History (including regional history)	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	HST GCU	IAH
History of the Islamic World	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	HST GCU	IAH
Information Technology in a Global Society	Any	No credit		
Language A (for any language other than English A1, French, Italian, Latin, or Spanish)	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	8 GCU for that language	
Language B (for any language other than English A1, French, Italian, Latin, or Spanish)	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	8 GCU for that language	
Language A and B - French	7, 6, or 5	7 credits	FRN 202, FRN 310	
Language A and B - Italian	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	ITL 201, ITL 202	
Language A and B - Latin	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	LTN 101, LTN 102	
Language A and B - Spanish	7, 6, or 5	7 credits	SPN 202, SPN 310	
Language B - English	7, 6, or 5	No credit	Does not transfer to MSU	
Mathematics	7, 6, or 5	12 credits	MTH 116, MTH 132, MTH 133	

Mathematics - Advanced	7, 6, or 5	No credit	Does not transfer to MSU	
Mathematics - Analysis and Approaches	7, 6, or 5	15 credits	MTH 116, MTH 132, MTH 133, STT 200	
Mathematics - Analysis and Approaches - IB188	7, 6, or 5	15 credits	MTH 116, MTH 132, MTH 133, STT 200	
Mathematics - Applications and Interpretations	7, 6, or 5	15 credits	MTH 116, MTH 132, MTH 133, STT 200	
Mathematics - Applications and Interpretation - IB191	7, 6, or 5	15 credits	MTH 116, MTH 132, MTH 133, STT 200	
Mathematics - Methods	7, 6, or 5	No credit	Does not transfer to MSU	
Music	7, 6, or 5	3 credits	MUS GCU	IAH
Physics	7, 6, or 5	8 credits	PHY 183, 184	ISP
Philosophy	7, 6 or 5	3 credits	PHL GCU	IAH
Psychology	7, 6, or 5	4 credits	PSY 101	ISS
Social Anthropology	7, 6, or 5	4 credits + Waive course	ANP GCU + Waive ANP 201	ISS
Sports, Exercise and Health Sciences	Any	No credit		
Theatre Arts	7, 6, or 5	3 credits	THR GCU	IAH

† GCU = General Credit, Undergraduate

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