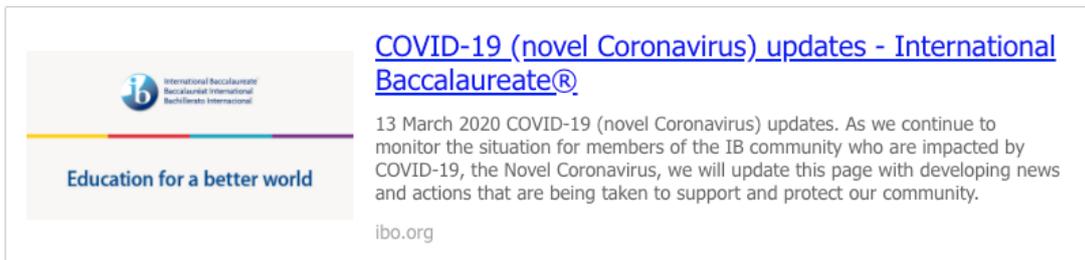


Dear all,

Following the announcement that the IBO will **not** be holding the May 2020 exam session, they have now shared details on how grades will be awarded to DP and CC candidates. The **grades will be awarded using the uploaded internal assessments (IAs/ coursework) and historical assessment data**, i.e. they will use statistical data from previous exam sessions and individual school data to make sure that the awarded grades are as fair as possible in these circumstances. Predicted grades are considered but coursework/IAs form the main element of a grade.

I would like you to keep in mind that the IBO is a **global organisation** and assessment procedures have to work for schools around the world. Hence, even though some of you may not consider this the best solution, it is not possible to alter coursework at this stage or to upload further coursework/assignments.

You can find an updated list of FAQs on the IBO Website: <https://ibo.org/news/news-about-the-ib/covid-19-coronavirus-updates/>



The screenshot shows the IBO logo and the tagline 'Education for a better world' on the left. On the right, the title 'COVID-19 (novel Coronavirus) updates - International Baccalaureate®' is displayed in blue. Below the title, the text reads: '13 March 2020 COVID-19 (novel Coronavirus) updates. As we continue to monitor the situation for members of the IB community who are impacted by COVID-19, the Novel Coronavirus, we will update this page with developing news and actions that are being taken to support and protect our community.' The URL 'ibo.org' is at the bottom.

Furthermore, the **ZfA** (Zentralstelle für das Auslandsschulwesen) published the following information concerning the recognition of the 2020 IB diplomas/certificates in Germany:

*“Die IBO beabsichtigt, auf Grundlage der von den Schülerinnen und Schülern bis dahin erbrachten*

*Leistungen das Diploma zu vergeben, wenn diese Leistungen den Anforderungen entsprechen und alle anderen formalen Voraussetzungen erfüllt sind. Sie hat der Kultusministerkonferenz (KMK) dazu Vorschläge zur Sicherung der Anerkennung in Deutschland vorgelegt. Die Beratungen sind dazu aber noch nicht abgeschlossen; KMK und IBO sind jedoch in intensivem Austausch.”*

**I will update you concerning the recognition by German authorities as soon as possible.**

Should you have any questions concerning your diploma/course certificate, do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail or Microsoft Teams.

Last but not least, I want to say a big **THANK YOU** to all of you submitting coursework on time. Some candidate consent forms are still missing and I would like you to submit them as soon as possible ([form linked here](#)).

Have a sunny Friday and a great weekend,

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