

The Advanced International Certificate of Education program (AICE)

is an innovative and accelerated method of academic study offered solely through the University of Cambridge International Examination. In this program, students take Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) 9-12 courses and can earn an international diploma if they accrue at least 7 points by passing AICE exams within a three school year period (25 months from the first exam to the last exam). Students must take a class in each of the three groups, math and science, languages, arts, humanities and Global Perspective, totaling 7 courses.



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Flexible, broad and balanced:

By demanding knowledge from three different subject groups, the Cambridge AICE Diploma provides a broad curriculum with a balance of math and science, languages, arts and humanities. It still maintains flexibility and choice by allowing students to pick specific subjects and levels.

General Questions:

A Cambridge diploma guarantees a Bright Futures ACADEMIC tuition scholarship, the highest Bright Futures award possible, without having to meet some other requirements such as ACT/SAT scores.

Students can have any combinations of regular, honors, AICE, or AP courses.

University of Cambridge International Examinations publishes a list on its website of US universities that have provided written statements of their AICE (which includes AS and A Levels) recognition policy. Go to www.cie.org.uk/qualifications/recognition

EXAMS are offered in November, May and June (they may occur after school is out).



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University Course Equivalents

The Florida Department of Education has established credit course equivalencies for the AICE programs. Other universities throughout the United States accept AICE credits. Colleges and universities award credit on a subject-by subject basis according to grades earned on exams. These various universities' policies may be accessed on the www.cie.org.uk/qualifications/recognition.

What is the benefit for the students?

Students have the opportunity to take AICE (Advanced International Certificate of Education) courses and earn two (2) quality points on their local GPA in a similar fashion to the AP College Board program. Students may earn a special Cambridge International diploma if they accumulate at least 7 points by passing 7 AICE courses (A level courses count as two points and AS level count as one point). If a student earns a Cambridge diploma and completes 100 service hours, they qualify for the highest level of Bright Futures without having to meet the SAT or ACT requirements.

What happens if I don't earn an AICE Diploma; do I earn college credits?

Students receive credits when they pass the course. The additional weight on the GPA is similar to AP – that is, only earned with a C or above. Colleges award credit on a subject-by-subject basis according to grades earned on individual examinations passed. Students do not have to complete the 7 points for the Cambridge diploma option in order to receive these credits.

**You must earn at least 7 points in 7 courses. One from Categories 1-3 and Global Perspective.*

Cambridge Courses at Cypress Bay High School

Group 1

Math & Science

- Biology AS
- Environmental Mgmt AS*
- Marine Science AS
- Math AS/A
- Psychology AS/A*
- Sports and Physical Education AS*
- Computer Science AS/A OR
- Info Tech AS/A

Group 2

Language Arts

- Chinese AS
- English Language AS/A
- French Language AS
- Spanish Language AS
- Spanish Literature A

Group 3

Art & Humanities

- Biblical Studies
- Business AS/A
- Classical Studies AS/A
- Literature in English AS/A
- Environmental Mgmt AS*
- Geography AS
- History (Euro) AS
- History (US) AS
- Media Studies AS/A
- Psychology AS/A*
- Sports and Physical Education AS*
- Sociology AS
- Travel & Tourism AS

Group 4

Interdisciplinary (Optional)

- English General Paper
- Thinking Skills AS/A
- Global Perspectives A

Only 2 points can be earned.

Required

Global Perspectives AS

What is the difference between AS and A level exams?

Advanced (A) Level Syllabi and exams cover approximately two years of college-level curriculum in a subject. The Advanced Subsidiary (AS) Level syllabus and exam covers the first year of the two-year A Level curriculum. An AS Level exam counts for one credit towards the AICE Diploma. The A Level exam counts for two credits but still is one course.

What is the comparison between AP, AICE, and IB courses?

All three programs are well established in the education community and recognized in universities in the United States. Both AICE (AS and A Level) and IB courses are accepted at universities around the world. Students in the Cambridge program have the freedom to create their own educational experience within the three AICE curriculum areas: math and sciences, languages, and arts and humanities

