

BC Graduation Program Requirements for International Students

*Please note: International students who enter the school system in grade 10 or before should proceed through the graduation program with the same requirements as Canadian students. The options described below are designed to meet the needs of international students who enter at the grade 11 or 12 level.

| Required Courses | Credits | Exam | Additional Notes |
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| English 10 | 4 | Exam required | If students write the exam and score 50% or higher they can be given credit for the course under the provisions of Equivalency |
| Socials Studies 10 | 4 | | Students can be given credit under the provisions of Equivalency or External Credit |
| Science 10 | 4 | Exam may be required | See notes after Science 11 or 12 |
| A Mathematics 10 | 4 | Exam may be required | See notes after Mathematics 11 or 12 |
| P.E. 10 | 4 | | Students can be given credit under the provisions of Equivalency |
| Planning 10 | 4 | | Students must take this course taught by a BC certified teacher |
| Comm. 11 or English 11 | 4 | | Students must take these courses taught by a BC certified teacher |
| Socials Studies 11, Civics 11 or First Nations 12 | 4 | Exam required | Students must take these courses taught by a BC certified teacher |
| A Science 11 or 12 | 4 | Science 12 Exam is required for all international students earning grade 12 Science credits. | International students must take one of Science 10, a Science 11 or a Science 12 taught by a BC certified teacher. So a student who is able to enter Physics 12, takes the course with a BC teacher, and completes the government exam, can then be given credit for Science 10 and Physics 11 under the provisions of Equivalency. A student who is able to enter Physics 11 can complete Physics 11 and 12 and then be given credit for Science 10. International students must write graduation program or optional exams. |
| A Mathematics 11 or 12 | 4 | Mathematics 12 Exam is required for all international students earning grade 12 Mathematics credits. | Same as for Science, students who study Principles of Mathematics 12 taught by a BC teacher and complete the exam can then be given credit for Principles of Mathematics 10 and 11 provided they meet the criteria for equivalency. A student who starts with Principles of Math 11 can complete Principles of Math 11 and 12 and then be given credit for Principles of Math 10. Internationals students must write graduation program or optional exams. This applies to all levels of Mathematics. |
| Comm. 12 or English 12 | 4 | Exam required | Students must take these courses taught by a BC certified teacher |
| Fine Arts or Applied Skills 10,11, or 12 | 4 | | Students can be given credit under the provisions of Equivalency Fine Arts or Applied Skills 10,11, or 12 |
| Portfolio Assessment | 4 | | Students must be given credit and a letter grade and percentage (not Transfer Standing) through a school-supported course or process in BC. |

External Credits

1. A student receives Language 10 credit if he completes grade 7 in his home country. (4 credits)
2. A student receives Language 11 credit if he completes grade 8 in his home country. (4 credits)
3. A student receives Language 12 credit if he completes grade 9 in his home country. (4 credits)