

## **Notes for subject selection**

Select a total of **6** subjects (3HL and 3SL) – no 7 subjects allowed

You are advised not to select more than 2 subjects that are offered as SL only

### **Group 1 and Group 2 (Languages)**

Students are required to select at least one language from Group 1. Students whose language of proficiency is not listed have the option of studying School Supported Self Taught Language (SSSTL) as an SL. This is only an option in a 'mother tongue' – not as language acquisition. Please refer to the academic handbook.

Students are also required to select a different second language from either Group 1 or Group 2. A fully bilingual student may study two Language A subjects rather than a second language chosen from the Group 2 options.

Students also have the option of studying a third language (from either Group) as an elective instead of a Group 6 subject.

### **Group 3 (Humanities)**

Should space be limited in Business & Management and Global Politics (because only one class is offered), priority will be given to those students who have only one Group 3 choice

### **Group 4 (Sciences)**

- For students considering HL Chemistry or HL Physics it is important that you meet two important criteria:
  - Previous experience of Chemistry or Physics in a course such as IGCSE or equivalent with a grade of C or above.
  - The Mathematics subject you are studying in your IB diploma is SL or HL. Math Studies suggests your Mathematics level is not adequate to study HL Chemistry or Physics.
- SL Chemistry and SL Physics can be studied without prior experience and with Math Studies.
- For Biology there is no prerequisite knowledge although having studied Biology previously is an advantage. Chemistry provides useful background for Biology but is not essential.
- Environmental Systems and Societies (ESS) is a standard level trans-disciplinary subject that straddles group 3 and 4. Studying ESS means that you have effectively met the requirements of both group 3 and 4 in one subject, allowing selection of perhaps a second group 6 subject.

### **Group 5 (Mathematics)**

Courses offered are Maths HL, Further Maths (HL only), Maths SL and Mathematics Studies SL

### **Group 6 (Arts)**

Courses offered are Visual Arts and Theatre Art at both HL and SL. Students are encouraged to widen their academic program with a subject in Group 6. Or by taking ESS as their Group 3 & 4 subject, students can take both Visual and Theatre Arts.

*Notes: Lit stands for Literature; L&L stands for Language and Literature; SSSTL stands for School Supported Self-Taught Language*