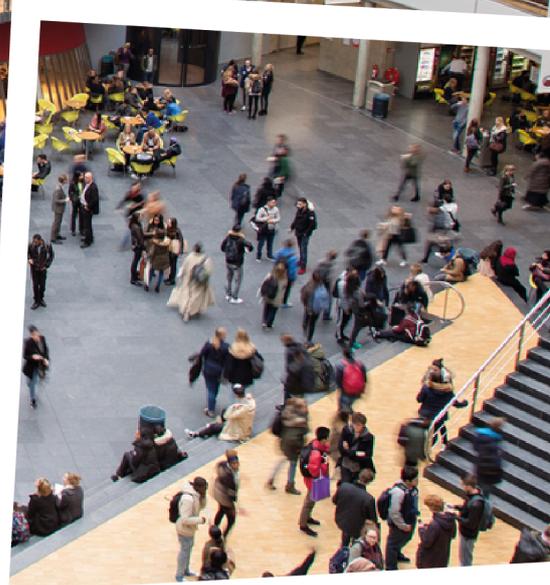


FAQ's for prospective students



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1 Enrolment Requirements

What level of mathematics is required to begin at IB?

Mathematics at high school graduate level is sufficient to begin at IB.

How much maths should I know / how can I prepare?

IB 4-year variant Mathematics module covers some elementary algebra which are often applied in areas such as Economics and Finance. Linear Equations and Functions, Quadratic Equations and Functions, Derivatives, Economic Applications such as supply - demand relations, cost revenue, profit functions, Annuities (Finance). Should you feel the need to revise, self-study on Linear and Quadratic equations and functions before the programme starts is advised.

Is it required to have completed high school classes in economics to begin at IB?

The high school leaving study requirements depend on the school system, level and the country of education. Below you can find the admission requirements for the 3-year and 4-year IB programmes for Dutch and non-Dutch students. For more information on the entry requirements for Dutch high school graduates, please check the [admission requirements](#) for the 4-year programme or the [admission requirements](#) for the 3-year programme on our course website. For non-Dutch high school graduates, please send a mail to csi@hhs.nl if you are unsure as to whether you are fulfilling the admission requirements.

Admission

International Business 3 years, 2021-2022

You have a Dutch diploma

HAVO	VWO	MBO
✗ C&M	✓ C&M	✗ Niet toelaatbaar
✗ E&M	✓ E&M	
✗ N&G	✓ N&G	
✗ N&T	✓ N&T	

You have a non-Dutch diploma

To enrol for the IB 3 year programme you will need a secondary school diploma comparable to a Dutch VWO diploma and a good command of English.

Before we can decide on your eligibility, we'll need to assess your secondary school certificate. To make sure your certificate is evaluated fairly, we work with NUFFIC, an organization that specialises in the assessment of international education qualifications.

International Business 4 years, 2021-2022

You have a Dutch diploma

To begin the four-year IB bachelor's degree programme, you'll need a HAVO or VWO diploma with the appropriate profile. For some profiles, certain subjects are required. You can also gain admission with a MBO (level 4) diploma.

HAVO	VWO	MBO
C&M (Economie of Management en Organisatie of Bedrijfseconomie + Wiskunde A of Wiskunde B) ✗	✓ C&M	✗ Niveau 4, middenkader- of specialistenopleiding
E&M (Economie of Management en Organisatie of Bedrijfseconomie) ✗	✓ E&M	
✗ N&G	✓ N&G	
✗ N&T	✓ N&T	

You have a non-Dutch diploma

To enrol for the IB 4 year programme you will need a secondary school diploma comparable to a Dutch HAVO, VWO or MBO (level 4) diploma and a good command of English. Also, you need to have passed your exam in mathematics or economics or business studies.

Before we can decide on your eligibility, we'll need to assess your secondary school certificate. To make sure your certificate is evaluated fairly, we work with NUFFIC, an organization that specialises in the assessment of international education qualifications.

What do I need to know about language requirements and the IELTS/TOEFL tests?

If you were not educated in the Netherlands, you might be required to submit a language test to be admitted to the IB programme. For further details, please see the information below or visit our [entry requirements page](#). For all unanswered concerns about the language requirements or the IELTS/TOEFL tests, please contact csi@hhs.nl.

English language requirements

To enrol on a degree taught in English you must have sufficient command of the language. The Hague University of Applied Sciences only accept the following language tests:

- IELTS Academic
- TOEFL iBT (not the ITP) and TOEFL iBT Home Edition. We only accept single test day results, not TOEFL 'My Best Scores'.
- TOEIC
- Cambridge English (FCE/CAE/CPE)

The test date may not be older than two years on 1 September 2021.

Requirements for International Business (3 years)	Requirements for International Business (4years)
The minimum language test results are:	The minimum language test results are:
IELTS: minimum of 6.0 overall and minimum of 6.0 for each sub score	IELTS: minimum score of 6.0 overall
TOEFL internet based test: minimum score of 80 and 20 for each sub score	TOEFL internet based test: minimum score of 80
TOEFL paper delivered test: minimum score of 60 and 20 for each sub score	TOEFL paper delivered test: minimum score of 60
TOEIC: minimum score of 670 for listening and reading, and minimum score of 290 for speaking and writing	TOEIC: minimum score of 670 (listening and reading) and minimum score of 290 (speaking and writing)
Cambridge English: minimum score of 169 (and grade A, B or C) and minimum of 169 for each sub score	Cambridge English: minimum score of 169 (and grade A, B or C)

Please ask your TOEFL test centre to let us know your scores. Our institution code is 7042.

You won't need to prove your command of English language if you've been educated in the Netherlands, UK, Ireland, United States, Canada (except for Quebec), Australia, New Zealand, South Africa or Malta, if you have one of [these diplomas](#) with English as an exam subject. If you completed your prior education in a country other than those listed above, you might still qualify for exemption.

For example, if you have an American or International High School Diploma or a European (L1 or L2 level) or International Baccalaureate. Please note that if your diploma was issued within one of these education systems, but schooling took place in a non-English speaking country, we reserve the right to ask you to submit a language test.

Can I still be accepted if I have taken a language test and scored under the requirements?

Should you have taken a test and scored under the requirements or have other concerns around IELTS/TOEFL tests, please contact csi@hhs.nl.

Is Dutch a mandatory language at IB?

Dutch is not a mandatory language at IB. The medium of education is English.

Is it possible to transfer from another university and start in a higher year?

At IB THUAS it is not possible to automatically enrol in year two following a successful propaedeutic (foundation) year in a similar course elsewhere. The following declaration from the exam board is binding:

The International Business Program and Exam Regulations state in Article 4.12 Exemption:

«1. The Exam Board may grant a student exemption from a test if it is of the opinion that the student already meets the requirements in terms of content and level of the relevant unit of study. The Exam Board determines the period of validity for the exemption. No exemption can be granted from a partial test.

2. Exemption may be granted on the basis of the following:

a) the tests results achieved for another NVAO-accredited degree programme»

Based on this regulation, upon enrolling to IB at The Hague University, you will need to request an exemption in September of the academic year, per unit of study (module). For each module you will need to create a separate Osiris case in which you motivate your request, including both the content description and number of ects (study credits) of the module that you have passed in <name other university/similar course> and the module description and number of ects of the module that you are asking an exemption for.

Each request will be checked by the exam board here at IB THUAS, and you will only receive an exemption if both the content and number of credits earned match.

2 Orientation Activities

Online Shadowing - Is it possible to participate in online shadowing to get to know the programme? When will the online shadow days take place? How can I register for online shadowing?

Online shadowing for the International Business programme is currently ongoing. Please go [here](#) to register and find more information about getting to know IB through our shadowing days. The 3-year programme is offering shadowing activities until the **23rd of April** and the 4-year programme is offering shadowing until the **30th of April**. If you would like to participate in shadowing, please use this [form](#) to register immediately.

Introduction week - When will the introduction week take place? What can I expect from the introduction week?

The introduction week will take place one week before the first lesson week at IB. More details including the exact time and date as well as the programme of the introduction week will be mailed to you shortly before and during the summer break. The programme will include campus tours, interactions with current students, activities to get to know your fellow classmates and discussions about topics relevant to beginning at university.

Is it possible to reach out and speak to someone from the IB programme?

Yes, you can. Please mail your request to ib-thuas@hhs.nl and we will make an appointment to speak with you and answer any questions or concerns you might have.

3 About IB

Language Modules at IB – How does it work?

Students from the 3-year IB programme are not required to earn a foreign language credit. However, they are welcome to follow a language module if their timetables permit it. Any language credits earned as a student of the 3-year programme does not count towards your final credit score at IB.

For students of the 4-year programme, languages are offered as mandatory electives. There is a choice of foreign languages to choose from. These include: **Dutch, French, German, Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, Mandarin Chinese, Japanese, Russian.**

What are the beginning and ending proficiencies offered in each language?

The starting and ending proficiencies depend on the language and the enrolments that are received. There are different levels depending on the language. For example, for Spanish we offer modules for absolute beginners (=0 level) (A1-1); an elementary level (A1-2) and a pre-intermediate (A2) level. The number of levels offered, and the beginning and ending proficiencies offered depend on the enrolments per language.

What exactly does studying abroad mean at IB?

Study abroad stands for a semester-long exchange that students complete in one of our 180 partner universities around the world. Students spend one semester following courses at a partner university while also experiencing the culture and learning to communicate and work within a new cultural system. Students can only go on exchange in a country that is not the Netherlands nor their country of origin.

What are the average costs of studying abroad during the international exchange?

In most cases, there are no additional tuition fees. The living costs depend on the destination. Most European and American exchange locations have general living expenses similar to the Netherlands. Countries such as China, India, South Korea, or Vietnam will cost relatively less to live in. Additionally, students should also consider the costs of flying to the destination.

Can you tell me more about the specializations at IB?

You can learn about more about each of the four different specializations offered at IB by watching the videos below. Additionally, you can find out more about career paths and specializations by checking out IB's own Tribe Talks podcast on [Spotify](#) or [Apple Podcasts](#).

Can you tell me more about my job prospects after I graduate?

Below you can find a list with possible job opportunities after you graduate depending on the specialization that you complete.



▶ [Marketing & Sales: IB specializations](#)



▶ [People & Organization: IB specializations](#)



▶ [Finance & Accounting: IB specializations](#)



▶ [Operations & Supply Chain Management: IB specializations](#)

Specialization and Prospects

People & Organisation	Finance & Accounting
<p>Ability: Draft the strategic cycle for part(s) of the organization in terms of process and content. Assess the impact of change on the organization.</p> <p>Profession:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Process management - Project management - Business development and innovation management - Business intelligence - HR/ Recruitment - Consultant 	<p>Ability: Evaluate the financial performance of organizations from the perspective of different stakeholders. Recommend financing possibilities in a dynamic international environment.</p> <p>Profession:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Profession: - Financial analyst - Financial management - Financial specialist/advisor - International treasury management - Consultant
Operations & Supply Chain	Marketing & Sales
<p>Ability: Evaluate and manage the operations processes within and between organizations.</p> <p>Profession:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Logistics and inventory planning management - Lean and material flow management - Operation management - Process management - Procurement Management - Quality Management - Consultant 	<p>Ability: Develop a well-founded marketing plan to support the creation of value for international customers. Use appropriate sales techniques in support of durable customer relationships. Incorporate development of the digital landscape in a marketing strategy.</p> <p>Profession:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Export management and import management - Sales management and account management - Internal sales/purchase department employee - Marketing management - Product management - Communication, PR and event management - Online, social media management - Product/business development management - Foreign trade advisor/consultant - Procurement management - Consultant

4 Financial Matters

Where can I find more information about the general living costs in the Netherlands?

You can find more information about general living expenses in the Netherlands [here](#).

Will the course offer financial support to students during their exchange or internship?

For more information about financial support and scholarships please visit our [course site](#).

Will there be any additional costs during the international exchange (E.G. tuition, housing etc.)?

Most of our exchange partner universities do not require additional tuition fees. There are some private institutions which we will indicate that require additional fees for your exchange semester. The majority of partner universities require no additional tuition fees. Students have to organize living expenses including housing, food, and travel for themselves, just as they would during their stay in the Netherlands.

Where can I find more information about tuition fees?

You can find more information about tuition fees by going [here](#).

5 Moving to the Netherlands

Where can I find more information about finding accommodation in the Netherlands?

Please go [here](#) to find more information about housing.

Where can I find more information about matters related to immigration, visas, and residence permits?

Please go [here](#) to learn more about the required immigration procedures in the Netherlands.

What do I have to know about insurance in the Netherlands?

You can find more information about insurance in the Netherlands [here](#).

6 Student Life, Student Associations & Sports

Are there any university sports teams that I can participate in?

At The Hague University of Applied Sciences, we have the [Pelargos rowing club](#), which is The Hague student rowing association. Aside from the rowing club, The Hague University also houses a gym, and our students can access many national and international sport clubs in The Hague and surrounding areas.

Which student associations do IB students join?

IB students often join FOCUS which is IB's own student association focused on community building, social activities, academic success, and professional networking. The Hague University is also an ENACTUS headquarter and many IB students join this international association. You can find more information about the student organizations that you can join by going [here](#).

What is student life like at IB and at THUAS?

To get a glimpse into student life and activities, you can go [here](#) to learn more or visit the following Instagram pages:



[International Business](#)



[The Hague University](#)



[FOCUS study association](#)

7 What can I do now to prepare for IB?

To be prepared for IB, we recommend that you attend the shadowing activities to get to know the programme. To find more information and register for the online shadowing days please go [here](#). You can also check our social media channels to stay updated and learn more about IB. You can find us on [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#), or [YouTube](#), or you can listen to our Tribe Talks Podcast on [Spotify](#) or [Apple Podcasts](#).

Additionally, if you have any concerns or questions, we recommend that you contact us as soon as possible. If you have any questions about enrolment, please contact csi@hhs.nl. Should you have any questions about the programme itself, please use ib-thuas@hhs.nl. You should also keep an eye on your inboxes to not miss information or invitations to activities from IB. We would also kindly ask you to let us know how you are progressing with your enrolment by filling in this form.