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UNIVERSITY  
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# MEET AN IB STUDENT

## BRIELLE

### IB STUDENT

Brielle is an Environmental Earth Sciences student who took IB and has continued challenging herself and seizing opportunities at the U of A — like working as an undergraduate research assistant with the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences.

“I’ve had experiences I never thought I’d have the chance to be part of my schooling. The U of A is full of opportunities in academics, and otherwise, that I’ve taken advantage of. The main highlight has been the opportunity to travel up to the Yukon to complete environmental research fieldwork. It made me feel like I was part of something important for the world and I definitely wouldn’t trade that experience for anything.”



# FIND YOUR PURPOSE

We know you are going to do big things, and the U of A is going to get you there.

## IB STUDENTS EXCEL HERE

You are curious, clever, and like to go that extra kilometre — and so does the U of A. As a top-ranked, research-based institution, we provide the kind of academically-focused environment in which IB students thrive. From honors and certificate programs, to research opportunities, to co-op and internships — you'll pursue your academic interests and discover a new passion here.

## READY FOR RESEARCH

Many IB students like to dive right into research opportunities while still in high school. The Festival of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities (FURCA) invites IB students to present their research work, network with U of A students who are involved in exciting research across all disciplines on campus, and receive constructive feedback. Stay up to date with event opportunities at [uab.ca/recruitmentevents](https://uab.ca/recruitmentevents)

## START WITH A SCHOLARSHIP

The U of A administers over \$34 million in undergraduate financial support every year. Historically, more than half of eligible IB students receive a scholarship offer. [uab.ca/awards](https://uab.ca/awards)

**Enriched Scholar Scholarship:** As an IB student you may be eligible to receive up to \$5,000 as recognition for your achievements in an academically-rigorous program.

## IB RECOGNITION

We applaud your achievements in pursuing IB, and want to see you continue your studies here at the University of Alberta.

**Advanced Standing:** If you achieve a final IB grade of 6 or higher on identified IB exams, you can receive Advanced Standing by one of the following means:

- **Transfer credit** is university-level credit for IB work completed in high school, meaning you will have the option not to take that course in university.
- **Advanced placement** allows you to register in a senior-level course without taking the junior-level course first.
- **Credit by Special Assessment (CSA)** enables you to challenge a university course for credit by writing a special exam. Administered by our faculties directly.

Visit [uab.ca/IB](https://uab.ca/IB) for further details, including transfer credit implications for professional programs.

## TRANSCRIPTS

All IB students are required to submit a final and official IB transcript by August 1. Ask your IB Coordinator to request that your transcript be sent directly to the U of A — or contact IBO directly. [uab.ca/aftapp](https://uab.ca/aftapp)

**Institution Code:** 000085



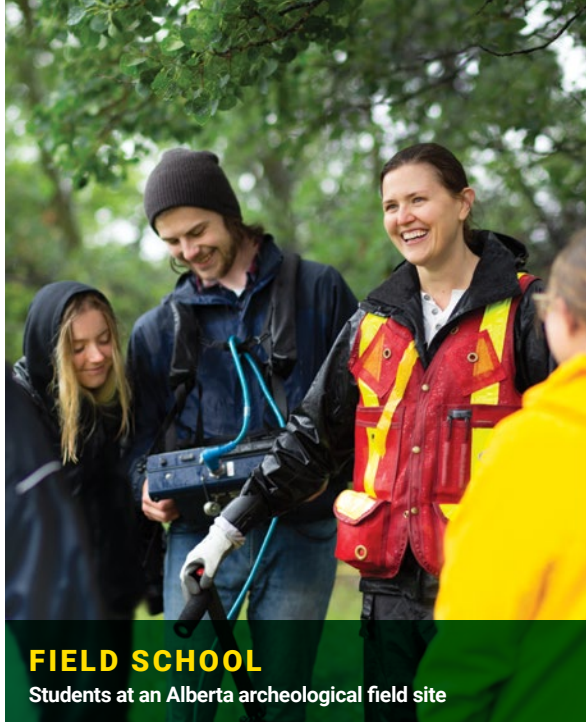
## ENTRANCE AWARDS

1 in 5 first-year students will receive a scholarship





**CHEMISTRY RESEARCH**  
URI has funded 500+ research projects



**FIELD SCHOOL**  
Students at an Alberta archeological field site

## ADMISSION FOR IB STUDENTS

The advantage is already yours, with several ways to gain admission.

### DUAL ADMISSION

If you are completing IB courses in conjunction with your high school curriculum, we will use the higher of your IB score or high school mark for admission, based on the IB Grade Conversion Scale shown on the right. For example:

#### IB BIOLOGY 6 > 85% GRADE 12 BIOLOGY

If you finish with 85% in Grade 12 Biology and a 6 in IB Biology (which converts to 90%), we will use the higher IB grade in considering your admission.

### DIPLOMA CANDIDATES

**As an IB Diploma candidate, you can receive an admission offer based on your predicted grades, or may have your admission conditions removed early.**

To be considered for admission through this process, you will need to present six IB courses with no grade lower than 4, meet the minimum overall required predicted score for your faculty, and ensure that five of your courses are equivalent to the required subjects for your program. Your IB Coordinator will need to complete a Predicted IB Grades form and submit it to us between March 1 and April 30. [uab.ca/IB](http://uab.ca/IB)

### IB GRADE CONVERSION SCALE

IB RESULT	EQUIVALENT
7	98%
6	90%
5	82%
4	73%
3	55%
2 / 1	<i>Not accepted for admission</i>

### ADVANCED STANDING CHART NOTES

- For students entering the Faculty of Engineering:** Transfer credit for the first (qualifying) year courses does not reduce the minimum load requirement of 37.0 units.
- Credit by Special Assessment (CSA):** To earn credit, students are able to challenge the university-level class, often through a special exam. There are no fees for CSA exams; however, the results from CSA exams appear on your U of A transcript.
- Mathematics:** Analysis and Approaches (HL/SL) and Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation (HL/SL) are not eligible for advanced standing.
- History classes:** Credit will be awarded for all five regional options offered at the higher level (HL), including Africa, Americas, East and Southeast Asia and Oceania, Europe (including Russia / U.S.S.R.), and South Asia and the Middle East (including North Africa).
- When students are instructed "not to take" a specific course and a generic 100-level credit is granted, this credit may be used to meet the prerequisite for any higher-level course requiring the specific course in question.

# ADVANCED STANDING CHART FOR IB COURSES

IB COURSES	UALBERTA EQUIVALENTS	AUGUSTANA EQUIVALENTS (Camrose, Alberta)
Successful completion of the IB Diploma Program	100-level Open Elective (★3)	AU 100-level Open Elective (★3)
BIOLOGY (HL)	BIOL 107 (★3)	AUBIO 111 (★3)
CHEMISTRY (HL)	CHEM 101 (★3) [or CHEM 103 (★4.3)] (see note 1)	AUCHE 110 (★3)
CHEMISTRY (SL)	Students may apply to write a CSA examination in CHEM 101 (★3) [or CHEM 103 (★4.3)] (see notes 1, 2)	
COMPUTING SCIENCE (HL)	CMPUT 174 (★3) & 175 (★3)	AUCSC 113 (★3) & 211 (★3)
COMPUTING SCIENCE (SL)	CMPUT 174 (★3)	AUCSC 113 (★3)
DANCE (HL)	DANCE 100-level (★3)	AUPED 100-level (★3)
ECONOMICS (HL)	ECON 101 (★3) & 102 (★3) (not to take ECON 204)	AUECO 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)
ENGLISH (Language & Composition)	C LIT 100-level (★3) or 100-level complementary studies elective (★3)] (see note 1)	AU Humanities 100-level (★3)
ENGLISH (Literature & Composition)	ENGL 100-level (★6) [or 100-level complementary studies elective (★3)] (see note 1)	AUENG 100-level (★6)
FILM (HL)	FS 100-level (★3)	AU Humanities 100-level (★3)
FRENCH A (HL/SL)	FREN 100-level (★3) & FREN 211 (★3) (not to take FREN 111, FREN 112 or FREN 211)	AUFRE 102 (★3) & 201 (★3) (not to take AUFRE 101)
FRENCH B (HL/SL)	FREN 100-level (★6) (not to take FREN 111 or 112)	AUFRE 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)
GEOGRAPHY (HL or SL)	HGEO 100 (★3)	AUGEO 100-level (Arts) (★3)
GERMAN A (HL/SL)	GERM 100-level (★3) & GERM 211 (★3) (not to take GERM 111, GERM 112 or GERM 211)	AUGER 102 (★3) & 201 (★3) (not to take AUGER 101)
GERMAN B (HL/SL)	GERM 100-level (★6) (not to take GERM 111 or 112)	AUGER 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)
GLOBAL POLITICS (HL)	POL S 100-level (★3) (not to take POL S 261)	AUPOL 100-level (★3)
GREEK (HL)	GREEK 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)	AU Language 100-level (★6)
HISTORY (HL) (see note 4)	HIST 100-level (★3) (not to take HIST 112 or 130)	AUHIS 104 (★3)
ISLAMIC HISTORY (HL)	HIST 100-level (★3) (not to take HIST 117)	AUHIS 100-level (★3)
ITALIAN A (HL)	ITAL 100-level (★3) & ITAL 211 (★3) (not to take ITAL 111, ITAL 112, or ITAL 211)	AU 100-level Language Option (★3) and AU 200-level Language Option (★3)
JAPANESE A (HL)	JAPAN 100-level (★6) (not to take JAPAN 101 or JAPAN 102)	AU Language 100-level (★6)
JAPANESE AB (SL) & JAPANESE B (HL or SL)	JAPAN 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)	AU Language 100-level (★6)
KOREAN A (HL)	KOREA 100-level (★6) (not to take KOREA 101 or KOREA 102)	AU Language 100-level (★6)
KOREAN AB (SL) & KOREAN B (HL or SL)	KOREA 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)	AU Language 100-level (★6)
LATIN (HL)	LATIN 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)	AULAT 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)
LITERATURE & PERFORMANCE ENGLISH (SL)	DRAMA 100-level (★3)	AUDRA 100-level (★3)
MANDARIN A (HL)	CHINA 100-level (★6) (not to take CHINA 101 or CHINA 102)	AU Language 100-level (★6)
MANDARIN AB (SL) & MANDARIN B (HL or SL)	CHINA 101 (★3) & 102 (★3)	AU Language 100-level (★6)
MUSIC (HL)	MUSIC 102 (★3) & MUSIC 100-level (★3) (not to take MUSIC 101)	AUMUS 170 (★3) & AUMUS 100-level (★3)
PHILOSOPHY (HL)	PHIL 100-level (★3) (not to take PHIL 101 or 102)	AUPHI 100-level (★3)
PHYSICS (HL)	PHYS 124 (★3) & 126 (★3)	AUPHY 100-level (★6)
PHYSICS (SL)	PHYS 124 (★3)	AUPHY 100-level (★3)
PSYCHOLOGY (HL)	PSYCO 104 (★3) & 105 (★3)	AUPSY 103 (★3) and AUPSY 100-level (★3)
PSYCHOLOGY (SL)	PSYCO 104 (★3)	AUPSY 103 (★3)
SOCIAL-CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY (HL)	ANTHR 100-level (★3)	AU Social Sciences 100-level (★3)
SPANISH A (HL)	SPAN 100-level (★3) & SPAN 211 (★3) (not to take SPAN 111, SPAN 112 or SPAN 211)	AUSPA 102 (★3) and AUSPA 201 (★3) (not to do AUSPA 101)
SPORTS, EXERCISE & HEALTH SCIENCE (HL or SL)	KIN 100-level (★3)	AUPED 100-level (★3)
THEATRE (HL)	DRAMA 101 (★3)	AUDRA 101 (★3)
VISUAL ARTS (HL)	ART 100-level (★3) & ART 134 (★3)	AUART 111 (★3) & 112 (★3)
WORLD RELIGIONS (SL)	RELIG 100-level (★3)	AUREL 100-level (★3)

# WE CAN *SHOW YOU MORE*

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## ASK US

You've got questions, and our  
IB advisors have answers.

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