

IGCSE Information

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What is IGCSE?

- International General Certificate of Secondary Education
- English language curriculum
- Preparation for International Baccalaureate (IB)

Examinations at SISS Secondary

Y5	Y6	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12
Lower Secondary				IGCSE courses		IB DP courses	

Checkpoint Exams

IGCSE Exams

IB Exams



Provisional overview 2022 - 2024

Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Oct 2022	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Jan 2023
	Year 9				
Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023
Report card 1 st semester	Work experience				Report card 2 nd semester
Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2024
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	Year 10				Mock exams, report card 1 st semester
Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May/June 2024	Jul 2024	Aug 2024
IGCSE final entries	IGCSE orals		IGCSE exams	Report card 2 nd semester	IGCSE results



Compulsory Subjects Year 9 & 10

- International Mathematics
- Co-ordinated Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- English First Language
- German (First Language or Foreign language)
- French or Spanish (Foreign language)
- History
- Geography
- Politics
- Music or Art & Design or Drama
- Sports



IGCSE Exam Subjects

Main subjects

- International Mathematics 0607
- Co-ordinated Sciences 0654
- English First Language 0500
- German (First Language 0505 or Foreign language 0525) or French 0520 or Spanish 0530
- History 0470 or/and Geography 0460

Optional subjects

- Music 0410 or Art & Design 0400 or Drama 0411
- Another language (from above)

How are IGCSE subjects assessed?

- Usually around 1 - 4 exams per subject
- Written examination: all subjects
- Oral examination: German, French, Spanish
- Listening examination: German, French, Spanish
- Practical examination: Art & Design
- Coursework: Art & Design, Drama and Music

IGCSE vs German Grading System

IGCSE	German	Explanation
A*	1	Outstanding
A	2	Good
B	3	Satisfactory
C	4	Sufficient
D	5	Fail: Work below expectations
≤ E	6	Fail: Does not meet requirements

IB entrance requirements at SISS

- 1. IGCSE finals:** min. grade C in all five main subjects
- 2. Final report card of year 10**
 - average grade max. 3.0 in main subjects:
Mathematics, one Science, English and German
 - average grade max. 3.0 in all other subjects together

The Importance of the report card

- IB entrance requirement
- Receiving an adequate German qualification
- Applying to a different school in Germany
- Applying for an apprenticeship

Adequate German Qualifications

Realschulabschluss

- Min. grade C in all IGCSE main subjects
- [Year 10 report card](#)

Hauptschulabschluss

- Min. grade G in all IGCSE main subjects
- [Year 9 report card](#)

Source: administrative regulations of the State of Hesse

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Thank you for your time!



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