



What is the Cambridge AICE Diploma? FAQs

Cambridge International AS & A Level courses and exams prepare US high school students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in college and university. Rigorously developed to meet the highest standards, the Cambridge curriculum brings college-level work to students, typically in their last two years of high school.

Cambridge offers a choice of 55 subjects at Cambridge International AS & A Level. Cambridge International AS Level is typically a one-year course in high school that equates to a one-semester undergraduate course, equivalent to 3–4 college credits for a passing grade of E or higher on the exam. Cambridge International A Level is typically a two-year course in high school that equates to two semesters of undergraduate level courses, equivalent to 6–8 college credits for a passing grade of E or higher on the exam.

Students who pass Cambridge International AS & A Level exams in four subject areas can also earn the Cambridge AICE Diploma. To achieve the Diploma, students are required to take the Cambridge International AS Level Global Perspectives & Research course, which is a skills-based course that challenges learners to think critically, analyze evidence and compare perspectives. The learning is assessed through a team project and presentation as well as a written examination.

What is the Cambridge AICE Diploma program?

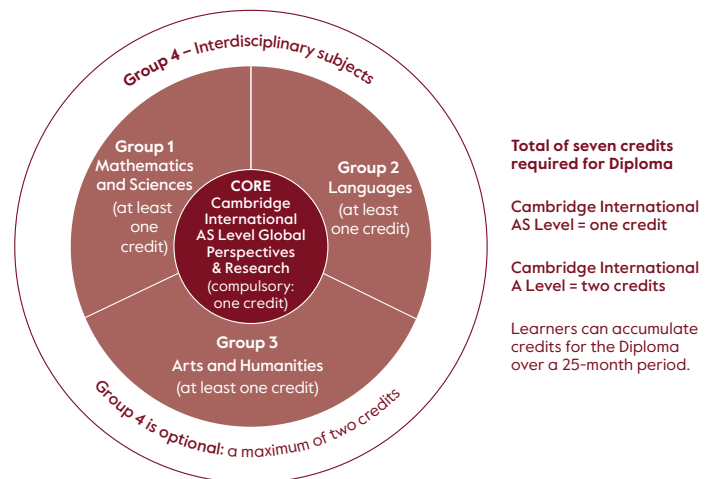
The Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) program is a rigorous academic curriculum consisting of Cambridge International AS & A Levels, which can lead to a Diploma recognition. Cambridge AICE courses and examinations are typically offered during grades 11 & 12 in schools approved by Cambridge. The program consists of college level AS and A level courses and end of course examinations externally graded in Cambridge, UK. Cambridge AICE is designed to align with university academic learning outcomes.

Where is the Cambridge AICE Diploma offered?

The Cambridge AICE Diploma was first awarded in 1997 and has since become popular in the US. Over 8,000 AICE

Diplomas were awarded to students this year across the U.S. It includes the 'gold standard' Cambridge International AS & A Level courses and offers students the opportunity to tailor their studies to their individual interests, abilities and future plans within an international curriculum framework. The Cambridge AICE Diploma is growing in popularity worldwide.

What is required to earn a Cambridge AICE Diploma?



How is the Cambridge AICE Diploma awarded?

The Cambridge AICE Diploma is awarded at three levels: Pass, Merit and Distinction. Students receive a Cambridge AICE Diploma certificate in addition to their Cambridge International AS & A Level examination certificates of results. More information can be found on the back of the certificate of results official transcript.

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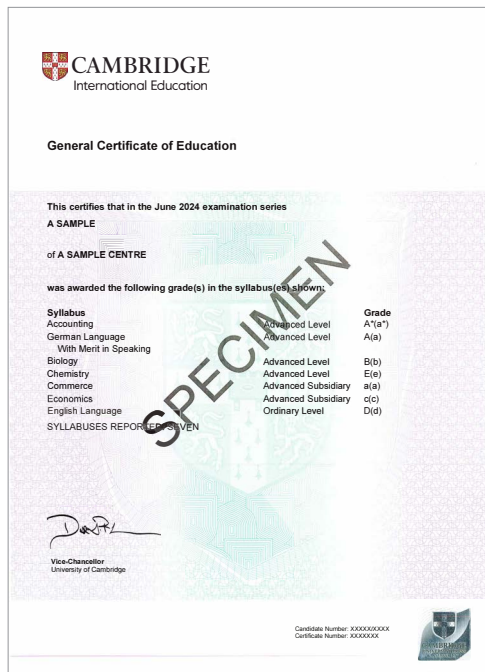
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When are Cambridge AICE examinations taken?

There are two exam administration series (June and November) each year and most subjects are available in both series. Results for Cambridge International exams are available approximately two and a half months after students take exams. Grades are issued in August and January respectively. Results are available to students, and for universities, from the day of results release.

What information is included on a student's final certificate of result?

Students' results and certificates of results list the subject, level, exam grade earned and the name of the high school where the examination was administered. For security reasons, on certificates of results, the Cambridge International A Level exam grade is reported as upper case and is repeated as lower case, e.g. grade B would appear as B(b). For Cambridge International AS Level, the grade on the certificate is reported as lower case and is repeated as lower case, e.g. b(b).



For each subject, Cambridge International A Level exam passing grades are A*, A, B, C, D and E. At Cambridge International AS Level, passing grades are a, b, c, d and e. For both qualifications, U (ungraded) is not considered passing and will not be reported on certificates of results. Cambridge AICE Diploma certificates will include a grade of Pass, Merit or Distinction.

What do Cambridge examination grades mean?

The chart below displays approximate grade conversions for AS and A Level exams corresponding to passing college course grades in the United States. The American Council on Education (ACE) as well as other independent evaluators recommend granting credit for e/E or higher on Cambridge exams.

USA	AS Level	A Level
A+	a	A*
A	a	A
B+	b	B
B	c	C
C+	d	D
C	e	E
D+	U (ungraded)	U (ungraded)
D	U (ungraded)	U (ungraded)
F	U (ungraded)	U (ungraded)

Source: AACRAO Edge's UK/US grade comparisons
<https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/usa/higher-ed/create-a-policy>

What is the difference between Cambridge AICE and Cambridge International AS & A Levels?

There is no difference between the Cambridge AICE examinations and the Cambridge International AS & A Level examinations. Some US schools call Cambridge International AS & A Level courses and examinations "AICE courses" and "AICE exams" because they can lead to an AICE Diploma.

Learn more! Find out about Cambridge International Education at: www.cambridgeinternational.org/usa/higher-ed