



International Baccalaureate at Alma College

"The IB Diploma is a wonderful preparatory tool for Alma College classes and work with professors. Being awarded 32 credits for my IB Diploma, I am double majoring in Integrative Physiology and Health Science (Pre-Medicine) and Business Administration as well as double minoring in French and English. The IB Program really thrusts students forward, especially at Alma, and because of it, I plan to graduate in 4 years with two majors and two minors."

~Zachary Lesniak, Class of 2017

"As a prior IB student, I am more prepared when it comes to critical thinking and analyzing within my classes. I am using my IB credit to diversify my schedule and select classes that will distinguish me from other applicants when I apply to medical school."

~Morgan Gibson, Class of 2017

At Alma College, we recognize the academic rigor offered by the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum and greatly value the work and preparation of IB students. Therefore, we reward IB students accordingly:

- **Students who earn the IB diploma** receive 32 Alma College credits towards both elective and distributive courses. The courses can also be individually approved by academic departments to meet major and/or minor requirements.
- **Students who earn a 5 or above on individual Higher Level (HL) exams** are eligible to earn Alma College credit for individual courses, such as Biology, French, German, History, Music, Political Science, and Spanish. You can contact the Admissions Office for an additional course credit evaluation.
- **Students will receive personalized academic advising** to make sure that they are able to make the most of the IB credits in order to further their academic goals.

With these credits already taken care of, IB graduates have more flexibility in their educational plan. Many students are able to graduate in 3 years, while others choose to utilize this credit advantage to pursue multiple majors.

At Alma College, we are enthusiastic about giving students the opportunity to explore their passions, and the credit awarded for IB coursework enables students to do just that. We encourage students to continue developing the dynamic perspectives cultivated within the IB curriculum, and build upon this knowledge in order to further foster intercultural awareness and global leadership.

Please contact us at 1-800-321-ALMA or admissions@alma.edu for more information.

