

Admissions Policy IB and Pre-IB Katedralskolan

Katedralskolan offers both a preparatory year (Pre-DP) and The IB Diploma programme. The Pre DP is a preparatory year required to qualify for higher education in Sweden. Katedralskolan is offering two tracks on the Pre-DP: Science Track and Societies Track.

The Pre-DP is followed by the 2 year IB Diploma programme which is an excellent preparation for higher education. The IB Diploma is recognized and highly valued among universities worldwide. To make sure our students succeed and flourish on our IB Diploma programme we have developed an admissions policy to support our students learning and wellbeing.

General requirements for admission

The general rule for International applicants is that they must have a residence in Sweden (this can be presented at the start of the school year for families moving to Sweden).

We do not accept applicants at the age of 19 or above.

International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme – Who and how?

APPLICANT	ADMISSION PERIOD
Swedish and Nordic applicants (Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway and Åland islands).	15 January to 15 April. Link to application: DP1 Applicants (Year 11)
EU/EES applicants are welcome to apply if they are moving to Sweden with at least one legal guardian.	1 November to 20 December. Link to application: EU/Non-EU Applicants We do accept late applications but places may be limited. Please send late applications directly to ib.katedral@uppsala.se together with grades.
International applicants (non EU/EES) are welcome to apply if they are moving to Sweden with at least one legal guardian who holds a work permit (or is in process of applying for a work permit)	1 November to 20 December. Link to application: EU/Non-EU Applicants Applications are sent directly to Katedralskolan. Applications will be evaluated individually. Entrance tests may apply depending on the applicants school background.

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Pre-DP – Who and how?

APPLICANT	DEADLINE
Residents in Uppsala	First deadline is beginning of February through Intra/Mitt skolval. You must also indicate what track to follow here: IB at Katedralskolan, Uppsala
Sweden (outside of Uppsala) and Nordic applicants (Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway and Åland islands)	5 February. Link to application: sweden---ib-diploma-programme-application-form-9.pdf Send to: ib.katedralskolan.uppsala@gmail.com
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Admission to Pre-IB - Academic Requirement

General requirement for both tracks: Minimum 240 merit. At least a grade C in English
For societies track: Minimum grade D in Mathematics
For natural science track: Minimum a grade C in mathematics and Natural Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
IB Middle Years Programme (MYP): Certificate (at least 28 points with a grade 3 or higher in each component). Students who do not meet these criteria may be called in for interviews at the discretion of the Diploma coordinator

Admission to IB Diploma programme - Academic Requirements

Students who completed Pre-IB at Katedralskolan: Students with grades lower than C on average and lower than C in English or Mathematics from Swedish grundskola may be called in for interviews at the discretion of the Diploma coordinator.
Students who have completed Swedish gymnasium year 1: Average C and minimum a grade C in Mathematics and English. Students who do not meet these criteria may be called in for interview at the discretion of the Diploma coordinator
IB Middle Years Programme (MYP): Certificate (at least 28 points with a grade 3 or higher in each component). Students who do not meet these criteria may be called in for interviews at the discretion of the Diploma coordinator
Students with a background from other school systems will be evaluated independently with focus on knowledge in Mathematics and English. A Letter of Recommendation from the students previous school is required and entrance tests may apply to ensure the programme is suitable for the student.

Subject specific requirements for the IB Diploma programme

Subject choice	Requirement
Mathematics AA HL	At least grade B in Matematik nivå 2C or similar
Mathematics AA SL	At least grade C in Matematik nivå 1B
Chemistry HL	At least a grade C in Matematik nivå 2C and Kemi nivå 1
Physics HL	At least a grade C in Matematik nivå 2C
Biology HL	At least a grade C in Biologi 1

You can find IB courses equivalency to Swedish courses here: [Särskild behörighet](#)

For information about language placement, please consult our Language Policy

Transfer students.

If you plan on transfer from another IB school after DP1 you must contact our IB coordinator early in the process to make sure your subject choices align with the ones we offer.

Course placement IB Diploma

Katedralskolan is offering a wide range of subjects but unfortunately we can not guarantee that students always will get their subject choices. If there are more students than places (normally 32/course) the school will use GPA when placing students.

Policy for late admissions transfer students (IB DP)

We fully understand that families need to move in the middle of the school year and will try to accommodate these students.

1. Students moving from another IB School
 - a. We accept transfer students from other IB schools. It is important to establish contact with our Diploma coordinator as early as possible to make sure that we can offer the same courses and levels. The DPC at the leaving school must send documentation such as IA progress, CAS progress, EE progress, subject progress and term grades.
 - b. We do not accept transfer students from non DP educational programmes into our Diploma programme after week 44 the first year.

Policy for late admissions transfer students (Pre DP)

1. Students moving from a Swedish national programme must submit term grades if they move after the first semester ended. Nb. That you may not have had the same courses in year 1 as the courses we are offering.
2. Students moving from other educational programmes must submit term grades if they move after the first semester ended. Subject reports must also be submitted. N.b. students moving late in the year (SUGGESTED DEADLINE) may need to sit additional tests in the subjects to achieve a subject grade.

Accommodation. The school does not provide housing on its premises but we cooperate with Uppsala Gymnasieboende who may support you in providing housing. Please contact them as early as possible.

Link: <https://uppsalagymnasieboende.se/>

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