



Factsheet - The CP at Discovery College

Discovery College offers a programme called the 'IB Career-related Programme' (CP), alongside the IB Diploma Programme (DP), as an option for students in Years 12-13. This programme provides a pathway in which students in these year groups can learn and progress to Higher Education. Students in Year 11 are able to choose between studying the DP and studying the CP.

What is the CP?

The CP is the fourth International Baccalaureate programme (along with the PYP, MYP and DP) and it is aimed at students entering the last two years of Secondary School who have a particular career path in mind. The CP allows students to specialise and dedicate themselves to an area of learning that they know they want to pursue. CP students may feel that the DP is not the best match for them, and that they would be best suited to a career-related programme.

How is the CP structured?

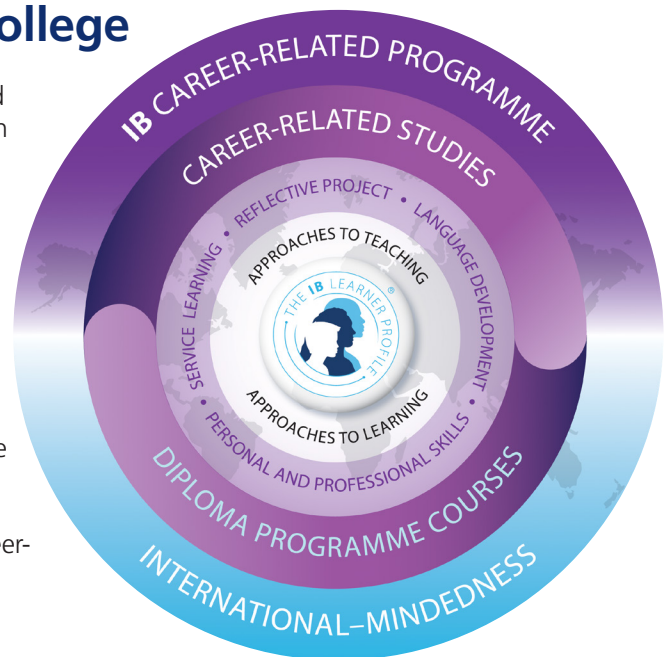
The CP encompasses some elements of DP within its structure. It also encompasses the IB's educational philosophy and mission.

Comparison of CP and DP course elements

CP course elements	DP course elements
2 to 4 DP Courses + Career-related study course	6 DP Courses
A Personal and Professional Skills (PPS) course	Theory of Knowledge course
A Language Development course	Language is one of the 6 IBDP courses
A Reflective Project	Extended Essay
Service Learning	CAS

What does the CP offer in comparison to the DP?

The CP can be characterised as...	The DP can be characterised as...
Specialised - studies focus on one or two areas	Broad - studies encompass six different subject groups
Career-related - studies are framed around a career path and the way learning can be applied to this field of employment	Academic - studies draw on knowledge and understanding from across a number of academic disciplines



What Career-related study specialisms are available to Discovery College students?

Career-related studies occur through a partner-provider. Partnerships with the following institutions have been established. More partner-providers may be on offer by the end of 2019.

Institution	Course(s)	Campus Location	Qualification
Savannah College of Art and Design (Hong Kong/USA)	Art and Design	Sham Shui Po	College Credit
HK Academy for the Performing Arts (Hong Kong)	Performing Arts (Musical Theatre)	Pok Fu Lam	BTEC Subsidiary Diploma (Level 3) in Musical Theatre
BSD Education (Hong Kong)	Digital Skills	Sheung Wan	BTEC Subsidiary Diploma (Level 3) in Information Technology. Plus optional industry-relevant qualifications.
International Culinary Institute (ICI) and Hotel and Tourism Institute (HTI)	Culinary Arts and Hospitality	Pok Fu Lam	Certificate in Hotel and Culinary Arts (Level 3)

What qualifications do students receive at the end and how does this relate to university admissions?

An important feature of the CP is that it is a framework of different learning experiences.

Firstly, the CP is a qualification in its own right, similar to the DP. Students satisfying the passing conditions will emerge with the CP certificate.

Secondly, completion of the CP will facilitate graduation from Discovery College. Universities, particularly in the USA, look for High School graduation as an indicator as part of their admissions process.

Thirdly, the career-related study aspect of the CP will offer a qualification that they can use as part of university admissions. For instance, students taking their career-related study via BSD or the HKAPA will complete a BTEC qualification. Students studying with SCAD will complete a series of foundation degree modules, which in some circumstances can be transferred as university credit to offset against future university studies.

Fourthly, students will complete between two and four DP courses. Courses can also be the basis for admission to a university.

So the CP provides a number of ways in which students can gain access to a broad range of university courses in different countries around the world.

Where can I find more information?

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