



**European
Baccalaureate
2021 - 2022**

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THE EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE CYCLE

- Comprises the two last years of secondary education (s6 and s7) in the European Schools or in Schools Accredited by the Board of Governors.
- Consists of a comprehensive multilingual curriculum. Pupils must always follow a combination of language, humanities and scientific subjects with subjects taught through more than one language.

THE GUIDE

https://www.eursc.eu/Documents/BAC_Handbook-en.pdf



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**The European
Baccalaureate
Handbook: A Guide for
European Baccalaureate
Candidates**

IMPORTANT DATES

- Registration of candidates – **15th of October**
- Selection of oral and written examinations – **20th of October**
- First semester exam period – **24th of January until the 4th of February**
 - Mock orals – **Last two weeks of term 4**
 - C – Mark – **The last day before the examination period begins**
- Baccalaureate examinations and orals – **Last 5 weeks of the school year**
 - Proclamation ceremony – **27th of June**

B – TESTS

First semester

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
22.11 – 26.11	Philosophy				
29.11 – 03.12	L5				
06.12 – 10.12	History 2				
13.12 – 17.12	Geography 2 Biology 2				

Second semester

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11.04 – 14.04	Biology 2 History 2				
02.05 – 06.05	Geography 2 L5				
09.05 – 13.05	Philosophy				

WRITTEN AND ORAL EXAMINATIONS CHOICES

ANNEX 1	European School:	Language section:	Surname and first name:				
CHOICE OF EXAMINATIONS IN THE 20... EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE SESSION							
Written: 5 examinations	Examination	Language of examination	Extra language (Art. 6.4.6.8.)	Oral: 3 examinations	Examination	Language of examination	Extra language (Art. 6.5.1.3.)
1.	L1/Adv. 1.1 (compulsory)			1.	L1 or Adv. L1 (compulsory)		
2.	L2/Adv. L2 (compulsory)			2.	L2 or Adv. L2 or History 2 p. or 4 p. (if not chosen as written examination) or Geography 2 p. or 4 p. (if not chosen as written examination)		
3.	Mathematics 3 p or 5 p.			3.	Advanced mathematics (compulsory) or Biology 2p. or 4p.* or Philosophy 2p. or 4p.* or Chemistry*		
4.	Option 4 p.						
5.	Option 4 p.						
6.	Additional examination (Art. 13)						

* only if the 4-p. option has not been chosen for the written examination

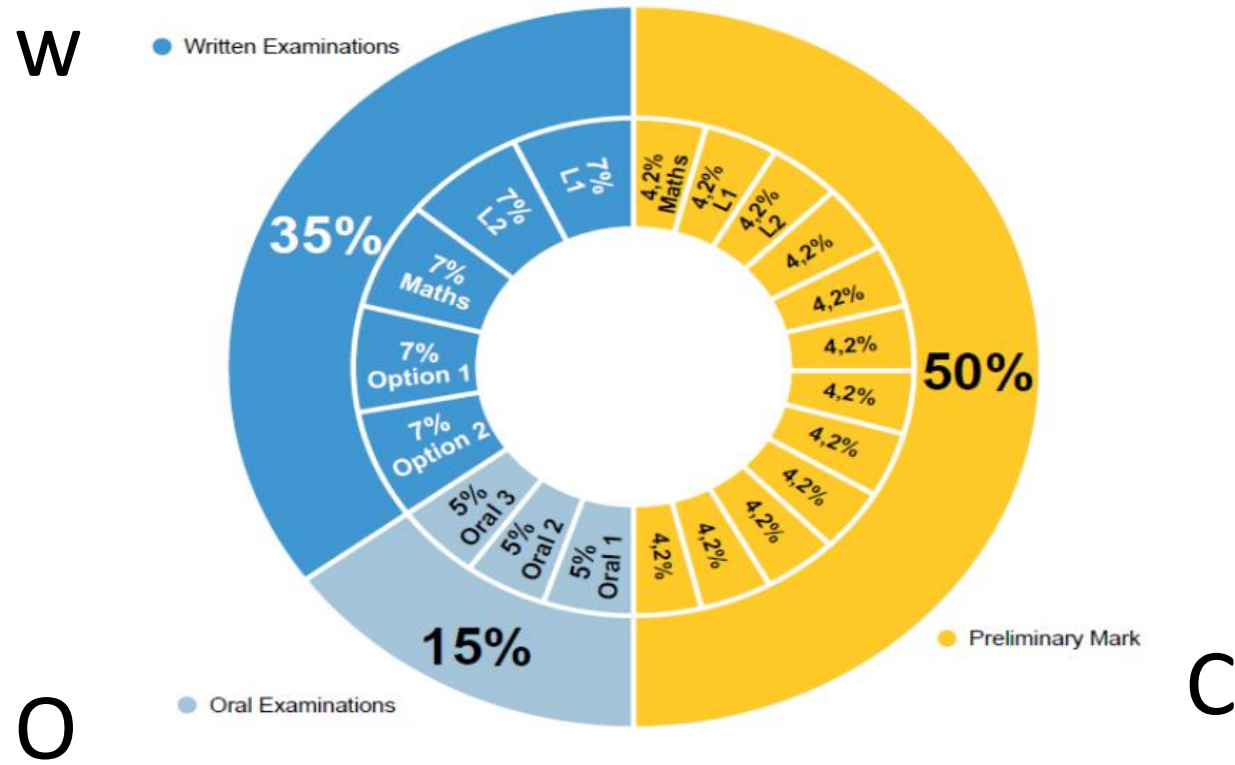
ANNEX I		European School:		Language section:		Surname and first name:			
CHOICES OF EXAMINATIONS IN THE 20.... EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE SESSION									
Written : 5 Examinations		Examination	Language of Examination	Extra Language (art. 6.4.6.8)	Oral : 3 Examinations		Examination	Language of Examination	Extra Language (art. 6.5.1.3)
1.	L1/L1 Adv. (compulsory)				1.	L1 or L1 Adv. (compulsory)			
2.	L2/L2 Adv. (compulsory)				2.	L2 or L2 Adv., or History 2p or 4p (if not chosen as written examination), or Geography 2p or 4p (if not chosen as written examination)			
3.	Mathematics 3p or 5p				3.	Advanced mathematics (compulsory), or Biology 2p or 4p*, or Philosophy 2p or 4p*, or Chemistry*, or Physics*, or Language 3*, or Language 4*, or ONL* * only if the 4p option has not been chosen for the written examination			
4.	Option 4p								
5.	Option 4p								
6.	Additional examination (art. 13)								
<u>Restrictions:</u> 1. <u>Written examinations 1 & 2</u> Candidates who have chosen to follow an advanced course in Language 1 and/or in Language 2 will be compulsorily examined on the subject matter of those courses and not on the subject matter of the corresponding basic course. 2. <u>Written examinations 4 & 5</u> concern 4-period options. Possible options: Latin 4p History 4p Chemistry 4p Ancient Greek 4p Geography 4p Biology 4p Philosophy 4p Economics 4p Art 4p L3 4p Physics 4p Music 4p L4 4p ONL 4p					<u>Restrictions:</u> 1. <u>Examination 1:</u> Language 1 or Language 1 Advanced Candidates who have followed the advanced course will be compulsorily examined on that course and not on the basic course. 2. <u>Examination 2:</u> Language 2 or Language 2 Advanced or Geography or History Candidates who have followed the Language 2 Advanced course and who wish to choose L2 for their second oral examination will be required to sit an examination on that advanced course, and not on the basic course. Candidates who do not wish to sit an oral examination in L2 (basic or advanced course) will sit an examination in History (2 or 4 periods) or Geography (2 or 4 periods). It is possible for candidates to sit the History or Geography oral examination only provided that they have not chosen to sit the subject in question as a written examination. 3. <u>Examination 3:</u> Candidates who have followed the advanced course in Mathematics will be compulsorily examined on that course. Candidates who have not followed the advanced course in Mathematics will be required to sit an examination from amongst the options listed above, which they may choose freely, provided that they have not already chosen to take the subject in question as a written examination. Candidates choosing the ONL may not choose L4.				
Date and Signature of the legal representative(s) or of the pupil if s/he is not a minor:									

Please see, on the back, the text of article 4 of the A.I.R.E.B with dispositions on content, level and language of the examinations and other constraints.

GENERAL EXPLANATION – MARKING

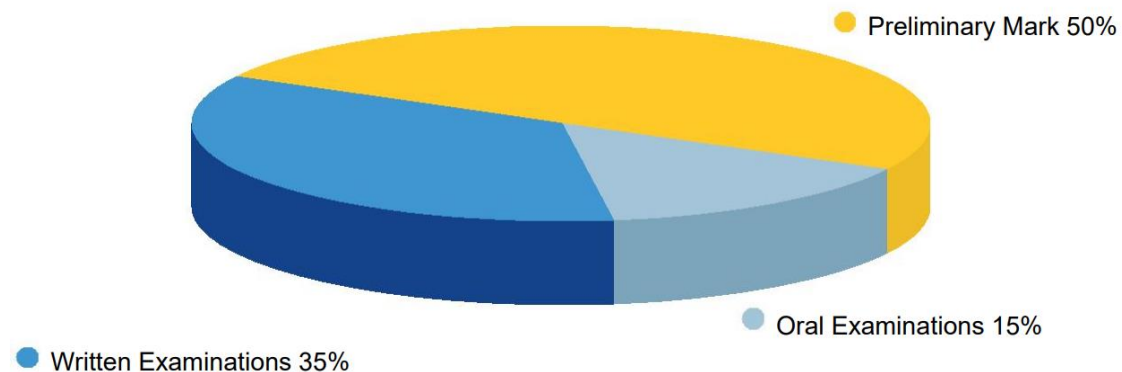
- At the end of s7, the pupils obtain a preliminary mark (C Mark), which represents 50% of the final mark. The other 50 % = the BAC written and oral examinations.
- The **preliminary** mark reflects all the **formative** assessment and **summative** assessment (Pre-Baccalaureate examinations) carried out by the teachers during s7.

THE MARKING SCALE



Visual Representation of mark weighting for a candidate with 12 subjects

WEIGHTING OF SUBJECTS AND EXAMS



Please note: The number of periods of a subject does not have an influence on its weight.

The value of the different subjects depends only on whether you take them as oral or written examinations.

Remember that the pass mark in the European Baccalaureate is 5/10.

WEIGHTING OF SUBJECTS AND EXAMS

Course	Preliminary note = C MARK	Written exam = W	Oral exam = O
BIO 4	8,10		
PE	8,60		
GEO 4	8,60	7,35	
HIS 4	7,76	8,00	
L1	7,98	7,03	8,25
L2	7,78	7,42	6,50
MATHS	5,70	5,15	
PHILO 4	8,48		6,75
SOCIO	9,05		
	9 marks => Sum of all marks *100/90 = 80,06	5 marks => Sum of all marks *100/50 = 69,99	3 marks => Sum of all marks *100/30 = 71,67

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Final mark} &= 0,5 * C + 0,35 * W + 0,15 * O \\
 &= 0,5 * 80,06 + 0,35 * 69,99 + 0,15 * 71,07 \\
 &= 40,03 + 24,49 + 10,66 \\
 &= 75,18 \%
 \end{aligned}$$

CORRECTIONS

- Both written and oral examinations are subject to double correction and marking by both the candidates' teachers and external examiners.
- The final mark will be the **average** of the two examiners' marks.
- In the case of a mark-disagreement of **over two points**, a third external corrector will be brought in and will establish through a thorough analysis of the previous corrections a final mark between the highest and the lowest awarded by the two previous correctors.

ADDITIONAL EXAMS

13.1 In particular cases, European School pupils in the final school year may register for the European Baccalaureate in an additional option subject, whether or not they have attended lessons in the subject in question at the School. However, in the case of Music and Art, due to specific syllabus requirements, an additional exam can only be applied for if the pupil has followed the subject or if he provides evidence of the prescribed work done during s6 and s7 so as to ensure that the syllabus requirements are met.

13.2 Additional European Baccalaureate examinations will be authorized by the Secretary-General of the European Schools only if documentation is provided to show that an examination in the subject is part of the conditions for admission to the higher education studies on which the pupil wishes to embark. This does not concern the linguistic competence required to be admitted in an institution of further education. For certification of language competences, candidates should address official centres of language competence certification.

REGISTRATION OF BAC EXAMS

- Via the application form contained in Annex I
 - Add copy of the birth certificate.
- All students must submit an e-mail address valid until the end of the school year.
 - The registration fee for the BAC Exam 2021
- After registration this amount will be billed by our bookkeeping department on the 31st of March

COSTS

Registration fee for the year 2021-2022: 97.91 euros

Usual cost per oral exam: 100 euros

Overall cost per candidate (estimated): 395.99 euros

Cost for additional exam: 36.68 euros

The fee will be invoiced **in March 2021**

UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS



If you need help or need to know more, please visit,
Mrs. Tiina Mäkelä is Tallinn Europeans school career guidance councilor.

Ask questions – Be informed – Take responsibility

UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS

Please be aware that

- If you are planning to apply to universities in the United Kingdom, you need to start the UCAS process towards the end of s6. The deadline for all UCAS applications is the 15th of January in your s7 academic year and the 15th of October for all applications for medicine, dentistry, veterinary science, as well as admissions to the universities of Oxford and Cambridge.
- If you are planning to apply for French universities, you need to follow the Parcoursup process.

You must respect these deadlines if you want your application to receive equal consideration as national applications.

COVID 19 PROTOCOLS

COVID-19 special measures During the course of the school year extraordinary decisions may be taken for one, several or all school(s), to adapt the current regulations to any COVID-19-related situation which may influence the organization of teaching or examining in one or several Members States. The decisions will be taken in line with the regulations, by the stakeholders designated as defined in the Arrangements to act according to their field of action and responsibility and following the procedures.

(Article 1 – 1.5)