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# Welcome to our Diploma Programme

At GJH, founded in 1994  
with the first IB DP class open  
in school year 1994/1995.

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## General info

The Diploma Programme (DP) is a **2-year international programme** offered by International Baccalaureate (IB) Organisation **for students aged 16 to 20**, and it covers the 3rd and 4th year of Gymnasium.

### It is designed for students who want to:

- study in **English**
- gain **research** and **writing** skills,
- develop their skills necessary to
- participate **actively** and **responsibly** in a changing world,
- focus on **6 subjects** and study them in depth,
- be prepared for the **scientific world**.

The **final exam from Subject Slovak A in DP** has been declared **equivalent** to the Slovak 'maturita' exams by the Ministry of Education of the Slovak Republic. This enables our DP graduates to apply to Slovak and Czech universities as well.



## Curriculum

Each student chooses **at least one subject from each subject group**. The student is obliged to choose three High Level (HL) and three Standard Level (SL) subjects, or alternatively four HL and two SL subjects. **The final exams are taken from six subjects.** The sixth subject is freely chosen by each student either as Visual Arts or from groups 1 to 4.

**The DP curriculum is made up of six subject groups and the DP core.**

### Subject groups and subjects we offer:

- 01 Group 1 – First language:**  
Slovak, English
- 02 Group 2 – Second language:**  
English, Spanish, German
- 03 Group 3 – Social sciences:**  
Psychology, History, Economics
- 04 Group 4 – Experimental sciences:**  
Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Computer science
- 05 Group 5 – Mathematics**
- 06 Group 6 – Visual Art, Social or Experimental sciences, Second language**

## DP Core

**DP Core** comprises Extended Essay (EE), Theory of Knowledge (ToK) and Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS).

Our students also study a compulsory course in **Writing**.

**Extended Essay (EE):** It is a major written work from one of the IB subjects in which the students present their own research on the topic of their choice.

**Theory of Knowledge (ToK):** This subject combines key concepts from psychology, philosophy, natural sciences and history. It focuses on critical thinking and questions such as: Where do we get our knowledge from? How much can we rely on our knowledge?

**Creativity, Action, Service (CAS):** This part of DP breaks down the border between home and school. It encourages students in their self-reflection and in taking up intellectual, physical and creative challenges. Service aims at contributing to society. CAS supports activities leading young people towards being active and responsible members of the community.

**Writing:** Introduces the specifics of various forms of written communication in English.