

A-Level Programme

Independent Academy Dublin is Ireland's only specialised A-Level College accredited by Cambridge University



Increase your options. Broaden your horizons.

International House Dublin welcomes you to Independent Academy Dublin, our specialist A-Level and Foundation Year College

The A-Level Programme at Independent Academy Dublin is designed to give you more choices when it comes to entering university in Ireland, the UK, the US and many other countries.

Our hallmarks are quality, excellence and innovation and these are delivered in a stunning city-centre campus that is interactive and encouraging. We feature smaller class sizes for individual attention and we prioritise self-motivation, involvement, personal study and research as we help you to prepare for higher education.

You can study with us for your A-Level examinations over the traditional two years or as an intensive one-year course. We help many students to re-take subjects in which they require a higher grade, over one term or a full academic year, or upon completion of their secondary school certificate.

We will give you all the help you need to get you to the course you want in the widest choices of universities possible.



Why A-Levels?

Universities all over the world accept A-Level qualifications for entry and if you do well you will have the widest choice of third level colleges worldwide.

Welcome to a world of new choices



Some of the finest tutors in Ireland



When you come to Independent Academy Dublin you will be taught by some of the finest teachers and tutors in Ireland.

We'll help you with your university applications, give you career advice and teach you study skills that will stand by you for the rest of your academic career. Our Principal will support you both academically and personally as you grow towards reaching your goals.

You will find that teaching at the college is intensive, student-centred and exam-focused. All course material is delivered in a clear and direct way, with understanding regularly checked by careful review and continuous practice.



Repeat or A-Level?

If you have a good Leaving Certificate but need more points, then think about specialising in your best three subjects. At Leaving Certificate you are evaluated on your best six subjects while at A-Level you will be evaluated on your best three so it really makes sense.

and one of the best campuses

Your course and your subjects

We will give you all the advice and help you need to decide which subjects you should take. We'll look at your strengths and weaknesses, aptitude, interests, skills and previous examination performance. We'll also advise you on which subjects would be the best for whichever degree course you would like to enrol in.

A-Level courses normally take between three and six terms to complete and consist of two parts: 'AS' and 'A2'.

Subjects

A student on a two-year course should choose up to four 'AS' subjects in the first year and then convert three of them into 'A2' examinations the following year. You can specialise in any three of the following: Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, Economics, Accountancy, Business Studies as well as taking IELTS English language examinations.

Five Term Course

This course starts in January. You can do the 'AS' examinations in June and complete the course the following June.

The Standard Two-Year Course

This course features small classes with maximum individual attention and development of study skills. In June of the first year you will take 'AS' level examinations and then complete the course to prepare for the 'A2' examination the following year.

You will take part in intensive study groups and find them invaluable as you closely discuss each topic in terms of specific examination questions under the guidance of your tutor.

The One-Year Intensive Course

Independent Academy Dublin can prepare students for A-Level examinations in just one year if you have the academic skills and, especially in the sciences, prior knowledge of the subject. This is a good option to have if you wish to retake the examination, or if you are exceptionally hard working with excellent secondary school qualifications or you are a mature student.



The Study Skills Programme

Developed by us, exclusively for our students, this programme teaches you how to study effectively and prepare for exams properly so that you get the most from our teaching and achieve the best possible grades.

We'll show you how to structure your time so you can maximise your learning. You'll learn how to follow key instructions, select relevant reading material, take effective notes, revise and learn material, pinpoint answers to exam questions and many other skills.

These are skills that will not only help you to get the best possible results in your A-Level exams but in every exam you take for the rest of your life with topics such as:

- › **Motivation and Time Management**
- › **Reading and Note Taking**
- › **Memory and Revision**
- › **Essay Writing**
- › **Examination Technique**



and learning for life

Why Cambridge University Examinations Board?

University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) is the world's largest provider of international qualifications for 14–19 year olds.



Full support for students

Independent Academy Dublin will help each and every one of our students in every way that we can, including:

Teaching Methods

We prefer smaller classes because that helps us to give individual attention to students and to develop close working relationships with them.

Academic Supervision

Every student is given all of the supervisory help they need and we provide regular progress reports that include test results, class participation and attendance.

Supervised Study

In addition to the library and computer laboratory, we have a study room that is constantly supervised by a member of staff.

Reports

Our term reports cover progress, aptitude, attitude and attendance. They offer encouragement whilst highlighting areas for improvement.

Examination Support

To help our students best prepare for their A-Level exams we conduct a series of progress tests and mock exams.

for the best results possible



A direct route to higher education

Whatever your plans are for your career, Independent Academy Dublin will help you to achieve them by guiding you all the way.

We have developed strong relationships with many universities across Ireland, the UK and the US and this gives our students a direct line of contact for entry into many recognised universities.

Our sister college is Independent College and it offers our students some of the most respected programmes in the country in areas such as Law, Accountancy, Business and Media and Journalism.

We have a dedicated career counsellor who will help you to develop career ideas and to provide relevant information, university and course prospectuses and career literature. This saves our students considerable time in course research and understanding entry processes. We provide real assistance to ensure that your university applications are completed correctly.

Once the original application is made, we provide progress/ review reports and interview preparation to encourage confidence, poise and effective self-presentation.

takes you straight to the top

What to do next

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We'll help you to choose your subjects and explore your university or vocational choices. We can advise on visas, accommodation and travel too.

All you have to do is ask.