



EUROPEAN SCHOOL BRUSSELS II

REGULATIONS FOR THE EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE 2021

ENTRY PROCEDURE FOR THE EXAMINATION

Candidates must register **before the 15th of October 2020** of their final school year.

The registration fee is fixed at **95.99 €** per candidate. This fee should be paid when the invoice is received (at the beginning of the school year).

The form for choice of examinations for the BAC (with the registration form) has to be returned to Mr. Christian Spronck (advisor for the 7th year) **before the 15th of October 2020**. Once made, these choices cannot be changed.

ADDITIONAL WRITTEN PAPER

Candidates may register for the European Baccalaureate in an additional option subject, whether or not they have attended a course in the subject at school. In such a case, candidates must provide documentation to show that an examination in the subject is part of the conditions for admission to the higher education course on which the student wishes to embark.

Candidates who wish to take an additional written paper must register and justify their request by **15th of October 2020**. The registration fee for the single subject is fixed at **35.96 €** and is added to the usual registration fee.

ADMISSION TO THE BACCALAUREATE SESSION

To be admitted to the Baccalaureate session, the candidate must have accomplished regular and consecutive attendance at classes in years 6 & 7 of the secondary session.

The expression “regular” means that the candidate, while satisfying the conditions for admission into years 6 and 7, is enrolled for the whole of the courses laid down in these years of study and has followed effectively and assiduously the courses and examinations.

The condition of regularity is certified by the Class Council.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXAMINATIONS AND ALLOCATION OF POINTS

Maximum total of marks : **100 marks.**

1. The preliminary mark : **50 marks.**

2. The written examinations : **35 marks.**

3. The oral examinations : **15 marks.**

1 THE PRELIMINARY MARK (50 marks)

The preliminary mark is made up of two elements:

1.1 The class marks (20 marks)

These marks must reflect candidates performance in classwork; they are awarded twice per year for each subject.

1.2 The marks for the preliminary examinations (30 marks)

A mark will be given for each subject, with the exception of religion/ethics, on the basis of the results obtained in the part examinations.

1.2.1 The preliminary examinations: a series of written examinations.

Language I:	4 hours
Language II:	3 hours
Mathematics 5 periods:	4 hours
Mathematics 3 periods:	3 hours
Options:	3 hours
Art:	5 hours
Advanced Language I:	4 hours
Advanced Language II:	4 hours
Philisophy:	4 hours

Every pupil will be examined in each of the subjects listed above, which he or she has taken.

1.2.2 Short examinations

Two tests of 45 minutes per semester:	Biology, History and Geography.
One test of 90 minutes per semester:	Philosophy and Advanced Maths.
One test of 45 minutes per semester:	Complementary courses.

2 THE FINAL WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS (35 marks)

Candidates will take five written examinations:

- Language I or Advanced Language I.
- Language II or Advanced Language II.
- Mathematics 5 periods or Mathematics 3 periods.
- Option 4 periods.
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2.1 Restrictions for compulsory subjects and options

Examinations 1 and 2: Where candidates have chosen to follow an advanced course in Language I and/or Language II, they will be required to take a written examination on that course and not, therefore, on the basic course in the subject.

Examinations 4 and 5: The choice of options has to be made at the time of registering for the examination.

Time allowed for written examinations:

Language I:	4 hours
Advanced Language I:	4 hours
Advanced Language II:	4 hours
5-period Mathematics :	4 hours
Philosophy:	4 hours
Art:	5 hours
All other subjects :	3 hours

2.2 Beginning of the written examinations

The written examinations will start at 09.00 or at 14.00.

2.3 Marking of the examination scripts

Each of the written examinations will be marked twice. Scripts will be marked by the teacher who has taught the class the subject in question, and by an external examiner.

3 THE ORAL EXAMINATIONS (15 marks)

Candidates will take three oral examinations.

The subjects in which an oral examination will or may be taken are as follows:

- 1 Language I or Advanced Language I
- 2 Language II or advanced Language II or History (2p or 4p) or Geography (2p or 4p)
- 3 Advanced Mathematics (if taken as option) or one of the following if not taken as a written exam:
 - Biology 2p or 4p
 - Philosophy 2p or 4p
 - Chemistry 4p
 - Physics 4p
 - Language 3
 - Language 4
 - ONL

3.1 Restrictions for compulsory subjects and options

Examination 1: Language 1 or Advanced Language 1
Candidates who have followed the advanced course will be compulsorily examined on that course and not on the basic course.

Examination 2: Language 2 or Advanced Language 2 or Geography or History
Candidates who have followed the Advanced Language 2 course and who wish to choose L2 for their second oral examination will be required to take an examination on that course, and not on the basic course.
Candidates who don't wish to take an oral examination in L2 (basic or advanced course) will take an examination in history (2 or 4P) or geography (2 or 4P). It is possible for candidates to take the history or geography oral examination only provided that they have not chosen to take the subject in question as a written examination.

Examination 3: Candidates who have followed the advanced course in mathematics will be compulsorily be examined on that course.
Candidates choosing the ONL may not choose L4.

3.2 Time allowed for oral examinations:

Oral examinations will last 20 minutes. Before each examination, candidates will be allowed 20 minutes of preparation time.

Conduct of the examinations

The oral examinations will be conducted by two examiners, the candidate's teacher and an external examiner. During the examination, the external examiner will enjoy equal status with the subject teacher.

Each candidate will draw by lot an envelope containing a number. The envelopes will carry no distinctive signs of any kind.

4. Results:

Candidates who obtain a final mark of 50 out of 100 (5 out of 10) or more will be deemed to have passed the European Baccalaureate.