

# Graduation Requirements

Mahindra International school- Internal Procedure

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**Rationale:** Mahindra International School is fully accredited by both the Council of International Schools (CIS) and New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). While both the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) and IB Diploma Programme (DP) studies may result in students earning formal qualifications, the nature of our accreditation authorizes us to offer a school-based graduation diploma, equivalent to a High School Diploma issued in the United States. Conferring this qualification on students at the end of their 12<sup>th</sup> grade year, is contingent on meeting the following requirements in grades 9-12.

The Mahindra International School High School Diploma is based on the successful completion of the following requirements in each grade 9-12. The requirements to earn an MIS Diploma and graduate from MIS are a minimum of 18 subject points in six subjects for each year of the Diploma Programme (DP) and 24 points in 8 subjects for each year of the Middle Years Programme (MYP) with no grade of less than 2. A grade of 2 is the minimum grade that must be earned to pass and earn credit for a course at MIS.

| Course  | Grade 9<br>MYP 4   | Grade 10<br>MYP 5  |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Language and Literature   | One year           | One year           |
| Language Acquisition or additional Literature   | One year           | One year           |
| Individuals and Societies   | One year           | One year           |
| Science   | One year           | One year           |
| Mathematics   | One year           | One year           |
| The Arts  | One year           | One year           |
| Design  | One year           | One year           |
| Physical and Health Education   | One year           | One year           |
| <p><b>Service as Action:</b> In addition, each year students must complete one semester of service and one block of the following: both creative and active activities with adequate completion of reflection journal.</p> <p><b>Personal Project:</b> In grade 10, students must complete the Personal Project with a minimum grade of 3</p> |                    |                    |
| Course  | Grade 11           | Grade 12           |
| Language & Literature - English   | One Year           | One Year           |
| Language Acquisition or additional Literature   | One Year           | One Year           |
| Individuals & Societies   | One Year           | One Year           |
| Science   | One Year           | One Year           |
| Mathematics   | One Year           | One Year           |
| Arts or additional subject  | One Year           | One Year           |
| Theory of Knowledge   | Minimum grade of D | Minimum grade of D |
| <p><b>Creativity, Action &amp; Service:</b> Successful completion of the requirements as given by the IB which includes reflective learning in a balance of pre-approved Creative, Active and Service activities for 3-4 hours each week for 18 months.</p>   |                    |                    |

**Attendance Requirement:** Satisfactory attendance according to the MIS attendance policy with at least 90% in all classes is required for successful completion of each course.

**Grade Progression:** Progression to the next grade level is contingent on the student meeting the above grade level requirements. The school's ability to support the students to be successful as either an IB Diploma Candidate or an MIS Diploma Candidate, will also be considered. This may include but is not limited to an appropriate standard of English language proficiency, academic aptitude, and motivation to continue in a rigorous college preparatory program of study.

**Modified Diplomas:** Students on special educational programmes with a formal learning need diagnosis and an *Individual Educational Plan (IEP)*, may have adjusted graduation targets. In this case a **Modified** MIS High School Diploma can be awarded with clear distinction between that diploma and the regular MIS High School Diploma in the case that the student has met the expectations delineated in the IEP.

**Transfer students:** The enrolment of transfer students is contingent on receipt of an officially signed and stamped transcript and Board Examination / MYP Results (if applicable) demonstrating satisfactory completion of all requirements of the previous school and for admission to MIS. If these official documents have not yet been released by the start of the academic term the student will be conditionally enrolled based on an unofficial report until these have been received.

Transfer students who have successfully met the requirements of their previous school will be responsible for meeting the graduation requirements from the point they enter MIS. Ideally a student admitted to the Diploma Programme will have met equivalent learning standards and course requirements to meet these graduation requirements, however exceptions may be made for academically strong applications that show a minimum of one year in the following subjects since grade 9:

- English (typically including Literature or Literature in another language with academically fluent English applicant)
- History/Humanities/Social Science
- Experimental Science
- Mathematics

Transfer students will need to have suitable preparation to meet the MIS academic expectations as well as a suitable academic record that enables pursuit of further studies at university.