



**International Baccalaureate
Summer Institute
26 July to
15 August 2003**

**FRONT COVER
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IB Review

Revision Courses and Summer Courses for students
already studying for the International Baccalaureate Diploma

IB Introduction

Introduction to the International Baccalaureate Diploma
for IB exams in 2004

IB Teacher

Programmes for IB Teachers

**IB Summer Courses in one of the
world's best established IB Schools!**

Welcome to our IB Summer Institute brochure!

This brochure gives information about the St.Clare's, Oxford IB Summer Institute for students.

St.Clare's, Oxford IB Summer Institute is for students who have completed one year of their IB Diploma (IB Review) and for students who are about to start the Diploma (IB Introduction).

St.Clare's, Oxford IB Easter Institute is for students about to take their final IB Diploma exams, and offers help on passing the exams, and maximizing achievement.

St.Clare's, Oxford IB Teacher Institute provides study opportunities for teachers who are working with IB students.

**IB Summer Courses in one of the world's
best established IB Schools,
with full IB resources
... and with 25 years of experience in
teaching the IB!**

**STUDENTS 1
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Why study in Oxford?

- Oxford is a beautiful city with a special atmosphere - it is home to the oldest university in England.
- It has magnificent college and residential buildings, fascinating museums, large green parks, art galleries and a rich cultural life.
- It is also a modern city with excellent shops, cinemas, theatres, boating and sports centres.
- Oxford is in the centre of England, surrounded by peaceful countryside, but also close to many places of interest - Bath, Stratford, Windsor, London (1-1.5 hours away by bus or train) and London's Heathrow airport.
- Oxford is a small (120,000 permanent residents), safe, cosmopolitan city with all the advantages of larger centres

St.Clare's, Oxford was founded in 1953. It is an educational charity with the mission of promoting international education and understanding

St.Clare's, Oxford ...

...a range of quality courses specially designed to meet your needs

- 50 years experience of running courses for overseas students
- Students from over 50 countries worldwide
- Our summer courses take place at the Banbury Road campus buildings all located in a pleasant leafy residential area, just over 1km from Oxford city centre.
- During the year we run our IB Diploma courses on this site, September to June. The College attracts about 325 students at any one time, aged 16 and above.
- Other St.Clare's activities include training courses for teachers and school administrators, English language testing and consultancy work.

Please contact St.Clare's if you would like further information about any of these other courses.

Choose St.Clare's for quality all the way

- Your courses provide excellent tuition combined with the highest quality of care and service in every respect.
- Well qualified and experienced teachers As well as teaching you, our teachers are in demand to train other teachers all over the world.
- Excellent facilities for study.
- Interesting, informative and enjoyable lessons.
- Comfortable and attractive college residences, or carefully selected homestay.
- High level of personal attention from our caring and welcoming staff
- Action packed, exciting range of after class and weekend activities, sports and excursions.
- St.Clare's, Oxford has taught over 2,000 IB students, and has been teaching the IB for over 25 years!
- Our central College buildings and student accommodation are in large houses which were built as family homes about 100 years ago, with new buildings for the student common room, classrooms and a large hall.
- Facilities include an outstanding Academic Resources Centre with library, language laboratory and audio-visual and computing centre, and all related IB resources and materials.
- Science courses include practical work and lab work, where appropriate. English courses include a trip to a play.
- You mix and meet with students from many other countries and learn about their cultures and ideas.
- You stay in our student houses on the same site as the course.
- You enjoy our varied and unique range of social and cultural activities, from horse-riding and volleyball to Shakespeare plays in Stratford-upon-Avon.
- Your courses will encourage you to think about your subjects in new and imaginative ways, helping you to achieve a better understanding and perspective on your future studies.
- You broaden your horizons and enjoy a genuinely international experience - and of course, have a great time!

Accommodation and meals

- Spacious, attractive, full-board, residential accommodation
 - Residences combining a family atmosphere with student friendship
 - Most students share a room with another student of a different nationality
 - Exceptionally wide range of exciting activities, every afternoon and evening
 - Social, cultural or sporting activities - something for everyone!
 - Young, friendly team of full-time activities organisers
 - One excursion per week of your course included.
- Choose as many others as you wish.

I liked St.Clare's because it has some fun people, beautiful gardens and very good teachers.

Emmanuele Cacciatore, Italy

Student welfare

Your welfare and happiness are our concern at all times throughout your stay.

- Your progress on your course is monitored by the course director and class teacher.
- While living in one of our houses you are looked after by the resident warden. To enable us to take care of you, you are required to be back in your house by 24h00.
- You will find that the activities team and the summer course office staff are also available to help you with problems, and will do their best to ensure you enjoy your stay.
- If you become ill, you may see our college nurse, on site, or our student services officer or your house warden will contact the College doctor, if necessary. Oxford has excellent hospitals and dentists for emergency treatment. Your course fees include travel and medical insurance.
- We inform your parents immediately of any welfare concerns if you are under 18 years of age.

**DINING ROOM
GARDEN PHOTO**

For once in my life I would like to stay at school! A beautiful school in a beautiful town - it's a paradise for learning. I really liked all of my teachers but best I liked Sheila the literature teacher - fun and clever, always interesting, a nice lady. Thanks to her I learnt some Shakespeare - it touched my heart. So, thanks, St.Clare's

Gabrielle Fabre-Luce, France

IB Review - For students taking the IB Diploma Exam in May or November 2004

This is an intensive review course designed to cover work that most students should have completed in their first year of the IB Diploma course. Many students find it helpful to review work with a different teacher, and get a new approach to a topic. While we cannot hope to go over everything, teachers will cover the major topics of the subject syllabus and concentrate on those topics that appear frequently in exam papers. Also, due to no fault of your own, you may have missed sections of a syllabus. As the group sizes are small, you will be able to go over gaps in your knowledge with the teacher involved. In the residential college setting, you will be asked to work hard, but you should find the course worthwhile and that it puts you in a good position to tackle your final year of IB and the exams next year.

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The following courses are being offered:

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Week One [26Jul-1Aug]

- Biology HL
- Chemistry SL
- Physics HL
- Economics SL
- History (Modern European) HL
- Maths Methods
- Maths Studies

Week Two [2-8Aug]

- Biology SL
- Chemistry HL
- Physics HL
- Economics HL
- History (Modern European) SL
- Maths HL

Week Three [9-15Aug]

- Biology HL
- Chemistry HL
- Physics SL
- English A HL & SL
- English B HL & SL
- Maths Methods

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You may take a different course each week of the three week course. Each course will be suited to your needs. Class sizes will be small, so you can tell us what you would like to cover before you arrive and during the classes. If you would like your current IB teacher to write to us to let us know what he or she feels that you need, please feel free to ask them to do so. Whilst we cannot hope to go over everything, teachers will adapt the courses as much as possible to suit the needs of each group of students.

Courses will include:

- a review of work covered in the first year IB but not understood fully
 - teaching of topics that appear frequently in the IB exams
 - areas which students typically find hardest
 - practice of questions from past exam papers
 - opportunity to apply knowledge and discuss problems
 - timed exam practice
 - practical work in science subjects
 - theatre trip included in English courses
- 18 hours on each course
 - 51 hours over the three weeks of the course (no teaching on the last Friday)

The Academic Programme
runs each week day from 09h00 to 16h00

CLASS PHOTO

Details of courses

Full details of each course are available on the IB Summer Institute website at www.stclares.ac.uk/ibsummer

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IB Introduction

For students about to enter the IB Diploma Programme in September 2003 or January 2004

The IB Diploma Programme is very demanding and assumes a certain level of proficiency in study skills as well as mathematics, science, literature, language, and humanities. An introduction to the type of work in the IB can give you a head start in your courses. This course gives you an insight into your subject areas, improves your confidence in written and spoken English, and develops essential skills in a structured and supportive environment.

The IB Introduction Course aims to help you to work more effectively, responding to the demands of the IB Diploma Programme. You have the opportunity to explore what the IB Diploma Programme will be looking for, and how you can do your best - through activity-based learning, guided by the teachers, other students, and using the wonderful resources of the Academic Resources Centre (the ARC). The course is divided into four sections: Academic English, the Humanities, Science and Mathematics. On the IB Programme you have to take a Mathematics, a Science, a Humanities and an English course, so the Introduction Course prepares you for all these areas. All students will take all sessions, and must attend for the full three weeks of the course.

- Academic English (EAP for non-native speakers; essay writing, etc for native speakers)
- Individuals and Society
- Science
- Mathematics

- 18 hours each week
- 51 hours over the three weeks of the course (no teaching on the last Friday)

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**COMPUTER
CLASS PHOTO**

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The IB is about more than academic subjects!

On weekday afternoons (Monday to Wednesday), you can participate in afternoon enrichment courses.

You can choose one course for each week of the programme. Each course is 6 hours long.

Week One [26Jul-1Aug]

Review and Introduction

- Public Speaking and Leadership Skills*
- Written English (native speakers of English)
- English Grammar Option (non-native speakers of English)
- Sports and Team Building*
- Music*

IB Review only

- SAT Preparation (Verbal Paper)

IB Introduction only

- Study Skills

Week Two [2-8Aug]

Review and Introduction

- Public Speaking and Leadership Skills*
- Written English (native speakers of English)
- English Grammar Option (non-native speakers of English)
- Critical Text Analysis
- Sports and Team Building*

IB Review only

- SAT Preparation (Math Paper)

IB Introduction only

- Introduction to the Theory of Knowledge

Week Three [9-15Aug]

Review and Introduction

- Public Speaking and Leadership Skills*
- Written English (native speakers of English)
- English Grammar Option (non-native speakers of English)
- Art*

IB Review only

- Theory of Knowledge
- World Literature (Language A)

IB Introduction only

- Study Skills

*CAS Hours available for IB Review (only with the approval of your school)

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Thursday afternoons are taken up with classes or field trips for the IB Review or IB Introduction courses.

Friday afternoons are free time, when you can choose to relax, or join in one of the many activities provided by the St. Clare's Activities Office, including excursions, sports, social events, tours, and themed evenings.

Extra Option

There are also optional extra individual classes that you can take in addition to the normal timetable, focussing on advice on your chosen Extended Essay topic, and giving you guidance on your progress.

**BIOLOGY CLASS
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Extra Information

Choosing your subjects

It may be most important to focus on your weaker subjects, but it may be more important to ensure that you get high grades in key subjects which are important for your future study. To make a choice, you may want to review your current class work, or perhaps discuss different options with your teachers at school. When you have chosen, tick the appropriate boxes on the application form. You can also use the application form to indicate any special subject areas where you feel that you need extra help, so that we can adapt the study programme for each class, addressing the needs of all the students. The application needs to be completed and returned to St. Clare's as early as possible.

Our teachers and classes

Teachers are selected for their academic qualifications and expertise, successful teaching experience, and ability to relate to young people from a variety of different cultural and educational backgrounds. Some are members of the permanent St. Clare's teaching staff, and others come from other IB schools in the UK and other countries. A number will also be examiners for the IB exams. Classes are small and informal. Just as students have different learning styles, so teaching styles differ, and students at St. Clare's experience a variety of teaching methods and approaches. The emphasis in all our teaching is enabling students to take increasing responsibility for their own learning: to learn how to learn. This makes learning more enjoyable while preparing students for work and study at university, and for later life.

Work outside scheduled class hours

The purpose of your time with St. Clare's is to ensure that you will be better prepared for your work when you return home. All our students should ensure that they are prepared for their classes. You will be set various different tasks to complete out of class. These may take up to two hours each day. In addition, it is good general discipline to review the work which you have covered each day, to ensure that you maximize the amount which you will retain. Some tasks may need you to work on your own, and other tasks may require you to work with other students, either in pairs or in a small team.

Reports and Course Certificates

Written reports are prepared for each class you take. You will receive a summary of the work covered in your class, with some notes about your own level of achievement and personal contribution to the class. You will also receive an attendance certificate for the course as a whole. The reports and certificate will be available for collection at the end of the summer school.

Typical Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9-1	Morning	Morning	Morning	Full Day	Morning	Full Day	Full Day
2-4	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Programme	Free	Excursion	Excursion
5-6	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity
7-10	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity

FOR YOUNG ADULTS AT ST. CLARE'S INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

Student Activities Programme, Summer 2003 -sample

Fri	1345	Excursion to Warwick Castle
	1530	Football at Marston Rd pitch
	1600	Volleyball at the Ferry Sports centre
	1900	Oxford piano concert excursion to Exeter College Chapel
	2030	Evening punting
Sat	Arrival of New students	
	0915	Excursion to Bath
	0915	Excursion to Windsor Castle and Eton
	1400	St Clare's Summer School football team v's St Margaret's Summer School team
	1900	Oxford theatre excursion: Shakespeare's "Rose Rage" at the Oxford Playhouse
	2000	Latin Dance night in the Campus hall
Sun	0830	Excursion to Brighton
	0915	Excursion to Winchester, Salisbury & Stonehenge
	1000	Orientation meeting & activities for new students in the Campus hall
	1900	BBQ & Welcome meal in the Dining hall lawn
	2030	Welcome disco in the Campus hall
Mon	1600	A walking tour of Oxford Colleges
	1615	Basketball game at Alexandra Courts
	1715	Excursion to the African dance workshop at the Pegasus theatre
	1800	Aerobics
	2000	Karaoke competition in the Campus hall
Tues	1615	Staff v's Students volleyball match
	1630	London Theatre excursion: "The Lion King"
	1900	Arts and Crafts at 121 Banbury Rd
	2045	Sports Quiz Night in the Sugar House student bar
Wed	1615	Indoor football at the Ferry Sports Centre
	1630	Ringo Riding and Water skiing at Stan Lake
	1700	Laserquest
	2030	Variety Show in Hall
Thu	1615	Excursion to Bicester Shopping Village (Cheap Ralph Lauren, Benetton, other famous brand shops)
	1615	Bowling in Enysham
	1630	Swimming in the Outdoor pool
	1900	Programme Director's Farewell in the Campus hall followed by BBQ
	2030	Farewell disco in the Campus hall

The people from the Activities Office are very friendly and interesting - they always look after us.
Virginia Baldini, Argentina

Activities programme



BACK COVER
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