## European School Frankfurt



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SUBJECT CHOICES YEARS S6/S7

- Think carefully before you make your final decision
- Seek your Teachers' and Careers Advisors' advice
- Be realistic
- Be objective and do not base your choice on other people's judgment
- Do some research-also your potential university preferences
- When questions arise after you have made your choice look for the Careers Advisor or the Educational Advisor
- Advanced courses have high requirements


## $6^{\text {th }} / 7^{\text {th }}$ Years

Compulsory basic subjects


CHOICES FOR 2023-2024

## COMPULSORY

- L1,
- L2,
- Maths,
- Religion, Ethics
- Physical

Education

## OPTIONS

History, Geo, Bio, Chemistry, Physics, Eco, L3, L4, Philosophy, Latin, Art, Music Advanced Courses, L1, L2, Maths

COMPLEMENTARY COURSES at ESF (2 period courses)

- I.C.T (En)
- L5-Beginner Level
- Introduction to

Economics (L2)

- Art
- Music
- Labs: Biology

Chemistry Physics

- Physical Education
- Politics (De)
- Sociology (En)
- Classical Studies
(De)
- Sustainability
\&Citizenship (De/En)
- Electronics (En)

COMPLEMENTARY COURSES

Pupils who do not reach 31 periods with the compulsory subjects, the options and the advanced courses are obliged to choose ONE complementary course.

Complementary courses do not make part of the Baccalaureate examinations but contribute to the average of the preliminary mark.

Complementary Lab courses are only intended for pupils with the corresponding subject options. Dropping out is not possible!

Pupils must choose a minimum of 29 periods from the compulsory basic subjects and options. The total number of compulsory periods must reach a minimum of 31 .

NOTICE: It is not possible to choose two complementary courses to reach 31 periods

Advanced Language I 3 periods (+4 of L1)
Advanced Language II 3 periods (+3 of L2) can be different teachers
Advanced Mathematics 3 periods (+5 of Maths)
The Advanced courses are a more extensive study of the subject.
They are not harder but they cover more topics.
They should only be chosen by pupils who have particular interest and ability in the subject.

All Advanced Language students take BAC written exams on the advanced course (in languages in the Pre BAC both exams are taken)
Advanced Maths students take Maths 5 as a BAC written exam and for them it is compulsory to take Advanced Maths as the third oral BAC exam
Advanced maths is only allowed if you have had advanced maths in years 4 and 5 .
Pupils who choose one or more advanced courses must also choose two or more other 4-period options.

RESTRICTIONS

Pupils may choose a subject they did not do in years 4 and 5 depending on the situation with a successful entry test.

In principle, pupils who failed a certain subject in years 4 and 5 cannot choose it as an option for years 6 and 7.

Creation of Courses
(minimum 5 pupils for Options and minimum 7 pupils for Complementary courses).

# CHANGES BETWEEN S6 AND S7 

Very few changes are allowed between S6 and S7

No new subject can be taken in year 7
A subject may only be dropped at the end of the 6th year if it is not compulsory and if the minimum number of periods and other technicalities are respected

CHANGING A SUBJECT

In principle it will not be possible to change or drop subjects after the definitive choice has been made, especially if this affects the minimum number of pupils required to set up a course or any other organizational parameters. The changes requested must comply with the administrative provisions in force.
Any request for a change has to be made by May 31-extremely difficult to change anything in September
No changes in the course of year 6

Change from a lower to a higher level in one of the foreign languages after sitting a test successfully

Change from a higher to a lower level in one of the foreign languages

Changes are subject to the approval of the Class Council in the light of the results achieved by the pupil.

Very few changes of choice are possible between secondary years 6 and 7 .
Mathematics $5 \leftrightarrow$ Mathematics 3 at the end of year 6
4-period option $\leftrightarrow$ Compulsory 2-period course (same subject)
A change to a more advanced course is conditional upon the passing of an attainment test demonstrating the student's ability to keep up successfully with the course requested.
The substitution of one option for another is not permitted.

## Pre-Bac examinations

* End of January - early February
* All subjects
* 2 period subjects as well (B-Test)
* Very important: Preliminary mark!

A1 and A2 marks) and the marks achieved in short and long Pre-Baccalaureate examinations (B1 and some B2 marks).

## Pre-Bac examinations

* The preliminary mark accounts for 50\% of the final mark of the European Baccalaureate, so it is very important to make a constant effort throughout the whole school year.
* A good preliminary mark will allow you to start your European Baccalaureate examinations with less stress, so aim at the highest preliminary mark possible.

Candidates will take five written examinations:

1. Language 1 or advanced Language 1
2. Language 2 or advanced Language 2
3. Mathematics (5 periods) or Mathematics (3 periods)
4. Option (4 periods)
5. Option (4 periods)

# The oral examinations 

1. Language 1 or advanced Language 1
2. Language 2 or advanced Language 2 or History (2 or 4 periods) or Geography ( 2 or 4 periods)
3. Advanced Mathematics- compulsory

Philosophy (2 or 4 periods) or
Language 3 or
Language 4 or
ONL or
Biology (2 or 4 periods) or
Chemistry (4 periods) or
Physics (4 periods)

The examinations will normally cover the year $\mathrm{S7}$ syllabus, but will also test knowledge gained in previous years, especially year S6.

The examination in each individual subject must be taken in principle at the level and in the language followed in years S6 and S7.

## New Choices Form available on the website ESF

1. Download it and save it to a folder at your pc
2. When you open it for the first time, first thing to do is to press the button for enabling the macros (yellow strip at the top).
3. Fill in the form, press the validate button to validate it. Make the appropriate changes till it gets valid.
4. Use the notes field to write or type a request.
5. When choices are valid then use the print button to create the pdf file (will be created at the same folder where the file is saved).
6. Print the file, fill in guardian's name/surname and date, sign it, and brought to school before the deadline.

EC IMPORTANT

## Hand in your choices by <br> 19th February 2024

to your class teacher!

## REFERENCES

- http://www.eursc.eu
- https://www.eursc.eu/en/Office/official-texts/basictexts/en


## Important Document:

Arrangements for implementing the Regulations for the European Baccalaureate
(Applicable for the year 2023 Baccalaureate session)
Microsoft Word - 2015-05-D-12-en-35 Arrangements for implementing the European Baccalaureate Regulations 2023 (eursc.eu)

