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GENERAL INFORMATION GUIDE

Cambridge International Matriculation (“CIM”) for Adult Students

British International Distance College (“BIDC”) provides world class self study courses, affording adult students the opportunity to achieve an *international matriculation* through a combination of completion of the **International General Certificate of Secondary Education (“IGCSE”)** and the **General Certificate of Education – Advanced Subsidiary (“AS Level”)**

These qualifications are issued by the University of Cambridge, and are recognised worldwide by employers and by tertiary institutions for further study.

Students should generally expect to obtain their CIM as follows:

- Students who have only a **primary** school education: **3 to 4 years** (Foundation/ bridging course 1 year + IGCSE 1 to 2 years + AS Levels 1 year)
- Students who have completed up to **Grade 10** (the old Standard 8) : **2 to 3 years** (IGCSE 1 to 2 years and AS Levels 1 year)
- Students who have completed **Grade 11** (the old standard 9 or above): **1 to 2 years** (IGCSE 1 year + AS Level 1 year but could be concurrent with IGCSE)

Can the Cambridge International Matriculation be achieved in less time that indicated above?

Yes. The periods quoted above are merely a guide, and since for most subjects exams may be written either in May/June or October/November, a diligent student may be able to accelerate the qualification process dramatically.

Please consult a student advisor before making a final decision about which route you should enrol for.

CIM Qualification: Over the age of 23 years

No. of different subjects required	Cambridge Level	Passing grade required	Subjects must include
4	IGCSE	Grade “C” or higher	1 st Language in English

IGCSE Subjects

Choose English and any other three (3) subjects from the list below.

Subject		Amount
English	AND	R 3250
Afrikaans	OR	R 3585
French Foreign Language	OR	R 3250
Biology (Practical subject)	OR	R 3660
Physical Science	OR	R 5500
Mathematics (core)	OR	R 3250
Mathematics (extended)	OR	R 3250
Geography	OR	R 3250
History	OR	R 3250
English Literature	OR	R 3250
Accounting	OR	R 3250
Art and Design (Practical subject)	OR	R 3660
Business Studies	OR	R 3250
Computer Studies (Practical subject)	OR	R 3660
Music		R 4055
Registration Fee		R 1015 p.a.

CIM Qualification: Under the age of 23 years

Option 1

No. of different subjects required*	Cambridge Level	Passing grade required	Subjects must include
3	IGCSE	Grade "C" or higher	1 st Language in English or Afrikaans
2	AS Level	Grade "3" or higher for HIGCSE or Grade "D" or higher for AS Level	-

*** Please note five (5) subjects are required in order to complete this qualification.**

Option 2

No. of different subjects required*	Cambridge Level	Passing grade required	Subjects must include
5	IGCSE	Grade "C"	1 st Language in English or Afrikaans
2	AS Level	Grade "3" or higher for IGCSE or Grade "D" or higher for AS Level	

*** Please note seven (7) subjects are required in order to complete this qualification.**

IGCSE Subjects

Subject	Amount
English AND	R 3250
Afrikaans OR	R 3585
French Foreign Language OR	R 3250
Biology (Practical subject) OR	R 3660
Physical Science OR	R 5500
Mathematics (core) OR	R 3250
Mathematics (extended) OR	R 3250
Geography OR	R 3250
History OR	R 3250
English Literature OR	R 3250
Accounting OR	R 3250
Art and Design (Practical subject) OR	R 3660
Business Studies OR	R 3250
Computer Studies (Practical subject) OR	R 3660
Music	R 4055
Registration Fee	R 1015 p.a.

AS Level subjects

Subject		Amount
English	AND	R 3466
AS Level Afrikaans	OR	R 3801
AS Biology (Practical subject)	OR	R 4020
HIGCSE Physical Science	OR	R 5710
AS Mathematics	OR	R 3466
AS Geography	OR	R 3466
AS History	OR	R 3466
AS Accounting	OR	R 3466
Art and Design AS Level (Practical subject)	OR	R 4020
AS Economics	OR	R 3466
AS Business Studies	OR	R 3466
AS Music	OR	R 3466
Registration Fee		R 1015 p.a.