



**INTERNATIONAL
SKILLS DIPLOMA SEAL**

What is it?

The International Skills Diploma Seal is a special seal placed on your high school diploma. You also receive a cord to wear at graduation.

Who qualifies?

This seal is awarded to graduating high school students who complete an international education curriculum and engage in extracurricular activities that foster the achievement of global competencies.

How do I qualify?

High School students interested in obtaining this prestigious recognition will have to meet the following requirements:

1. At least 3 credits of the same foreign language
2. At least 4 credits of courses with an international focus
3. At least 4 extra-curricular activities with global themes
4. At least 20 hours of community service involving a global/cross-cultural public service project
5. Capstone project

World Language Requirement

At least 3 credits in the same world language and/or ESOL.
Islands High School offers the following World Language courses:

1. Spanish/French 1
2. Spanish/French 2
3. Spanish/French 3
4. Spanish/French 4
5. AP Spanish Language & Culture

International Focus Courses

At least **four** credits in courses determined to have an international focus. IHS offers the following courses that meet this requirement:

1. Business Communications
2. Entrepreneurship
3. Legal Environment of Business
4. Economics/business/free enterprise
5. British Literature
6. Contemporary Lit/Comp
7. AP English Literature
8. AP Art History
9. Environmental Science
10. AP Environmental Science
11. AP Comparative Gov't & Politics
12. World History
13. AP World History
14. Ethnic Studies
15. Anthropology

Extra Curricular Activities

At least **four** extracurricular activities and experiences with global themes and/or in global contexts. There are MANY in Savannah! Examples:

- Foreign exchange programs (as a student or as a host to a foreign student)
- International and language clubs (Available at IHS)
- Travel abroad (Available at IHS)
- Savannah Festivals (Irish, Greek, Latin, Asian, Music, Film, Jazz, Black Heritage, Jewish Food, International, Oktober Fest, Kwanzaa, etc.)
- St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Fiesta Latina
- International Night at any SCCPSS or private schools
- MLK Day Parade
- Farmer's Markets
- Tara Feis
- Scottish Games
- SCAD International Festival
- Armstrong Latino Heritage Festival

Community Service

Twenty hours of community service involving a global/cross-cultural public service project.

You can use volunteer hours you have completed while participating in any extra-curricular activities with a global theme.

These volunteer hours count towards the hours you need for graduation!

Capstone Project

Students who qualify for the program must create a capstone presentation on the knowledge gained in the courses and activities listed above.

This presentation will take place in April.

The World Language department will score your presentation.