## IB Group 2 – Language Acquisition Course Sequence Guidelines For Students Who Have No Prior Language Experience

San Diego High School of International Studies World Language Course Sequence:

1-2 3-

3-4

5-6 Advanced

SL1

HL1

HL2

The IB Diploma Programme is a two year (concurrency) program for students who are 16-19 years old (IBO).

In order for SDHS-Int'l Studies students to reach high levels of proficiency and success in World Language courses, the following guidelines are being provided regarding the IB Group 2 - Language Acquisition course sequence(s).

• World Languages offered at SDHS- Int'l Studies: French, German and Spanish.

If a student has **not** studied a World Language **until 9<sup>th</sup> Grade** the following option is <u>recommended</u> for the student to be able to pursue an IB Diploma and meet the IB Group 2 – Language Acquisition: Language B SL requirement.

Recommended Language B SL Sequence Option:

9<sup>th</sup> grade

10<sup>th</sup> grade

11<sup>th</sup> grade

12<sup>th</sup> grade

IB Designation/Test

1-2 and 3-4\*

5-6 Advanced

SL1

HL1

SL

3 will be taken online through I-High during 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of Grade 9 concurrently with 2.

4 will be taken online through I-High during the summer after Grade 9.

If a student has **not** studied a World Language **until 11<sup>th</sup> Grade** the following option is <u>recommended</u> for the student to be able to pursue an IB Diploma and meet the IB Group 2 – Language Acquisition: Ab Initio SL\* requirement.

Recommended Ab Initio SL Sequence Option:

9<sup>th</sup> grade

10<sup>th</sup> grade

11<sup>th</sup> grade

12<sup>th</sup> grade 3-4

IB Designation/Test
Ab Initio SL

\* Ab Initio SL is a two-year course sequence designed for students that lack the opportunity to take an IB Group 2 – Language Acquisition: Language B SL prior to 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

Although Ab Initio SL is available as an alternate option for students who have not studied a World Language until 9<sup>th</sup> grade – it is not recommended for students to take two years of one language followed by two years of another language. Students who have not studied World Language before 9<sup>th</sup> grade will be encouraged to pursue the recommended IB Group 2 – Language Acquisition: Language B SL option.

<sup>\* 3-4</sup> will be taken through the I-High online program.

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1-2

3-4

5-6 Advanced

SL1

HL1

HL2

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World Languages offered at SDHS- Int'l Studies: French, German and Spanish.

Many students begin the study of World Languages in middle school resulting in one of the following high school IB Group 2 – Language Acquisition: Language B course sequence options:

Sequence Option #1:

9<sup>th</sup> grade

10<sup>th</sup> grade

11<sup>th</sup> grade

12<sup>th</sup> grade

IB Designation/Test

3-4

5-6 Advanced

SL1

HL1

SL

Sequence Option #2:

9<sup>th</sup> grade

10<sup>th</sup> grade

11<sup>th</sup> grade

12<sup>th</sup> grade

IB Designation/Test

5-6 Advanced

SL1

HL1

HL2

SL/HL

<ul> <li>Students who wish to test in Group 2 – Language B SL must complete the following two year</li> </ul>				
concurrence Group 2 Lang B	-	rk (reflected on the Junior Year SL	e SDH — I.S. IB Program Senior Year HL1	Overview on the I.S. website): IB Designation / Test SL
OR				
Group 2 Lang B		Junior Year HL1	Senior Year HL2	IB Designation / Test SL / HL
To be placed in the Lang B SL class students must meet one of the following criteria:  (i) Complete the coursework and show mastery of the course content of Advanced 5-6.  (ii) Take a placement/diagnostic test which includes: listening, speaking, reading and writing and show mastery of the Advanced 5-6 course content.				
To be placed in the Lang B HL1 class students must meet one of the following criteria:  (i) Complete the coursework and show mastery of the course content of SL.  (ii) Pass the Language B SL class with a C or better				
To be placed in the Lang B HL2 class students must meet one of the following criteria:  (i) Complete the coursework and show mastery of the course content of HL1.  (ii) Pass the Language B HL1 class with a C or better				
To be placed in the Lang B HL1 class students must meet one of the following criteria:  (i) Complete the coursework and show mastery of the course content of SL.  (ii) Pass the Language B SL class with a C or better				
To be placed in the Lang B HL2 class students must meet one of the following criteria:  (i) Complete the coursework and show mastery of the course content of HL1.  (ii) Pass the Language B HL1 class with a C or better				
<ul> <li>Students who wish to test in Group 2 – Ab Initio SL must complete the following two year concurrency coursework (reflected on the SDH – I.S. IB Program Overview on the I.S. website):         Group 2             Junior Year             Senior Year             IB Designation / Test             Ab Initio SL</li> </ul>				