

VC DIPLOMA PROGRAM 2023

WELCOME TO THE VIENTIANE COLLEGE GLOBAL ENGLISH DIPLOMA PROGRAM!

This program focuses on developing your English language proficiency as well as nurturing critical and creative thinking, collaborative skills and the learning strategies essential for success.

Our high quality, challenging modules prepare you to be active, knowledgeable, globally-minded communicators in your work or academic life in Laos and in international contexts.

CHOICE

Designed through extensive student feedback, the Diploma Program offers over 20 engaging modules so you can choose what is most interesting and relevant for you.

We provide an annual calendar of modules offered to help you plan your study path (below). You can choose a General, Academic or Professional stream.

VC advisors are ready to assist you in selecting the modules that best fit your needs. Please contact us for more information or to make an appointment.

ASSESSMENT

While regular attendance is important, simply coming to class is not enough. Your performance for each module is assessed following the Diploma Program assessment criteria. This includes:

- Attendance
- Participation
- Learning Strategies
- Skills Application
- Grammar and Vocabulary Development
- Assignments

You will also learn how to accurately self-assess (an important part of becoming an independent learner) and give constructive feedback to others.

CERTIFICATION

The Diploma Program offers the following options:

- Certificate of English (5 modules)
- Diploma (10 modules)
- Advanced Diploma (15 modules)

On completion of each level of the Program, you will receive a certificate which states your achievement (high distinction, distinction, credit, pass) plus the designation of the General, Academic or Professional Stream which you selected.

You will also receive a full transcript with your individual module grades recorded.

WHAT'S ON AND WHEN...

TRIMESTER 1

DIPWP124

Academic Writing: The Process

DIPPS117

Public Speaking: Presentations

DIPPW116

Professional Writing

DIPES109

Exploring Self-Awareness

DIPPP113

Professional & Personal Portfolios

DIPBM102

Bias: Explored through the Media

TRIMESTER 2

DIPCW105

Creative Writing: Fiction

DIPDD108

Discussions & Debates

DIPIB103

International Business English

DIPIC110

Intercultural Communication

DIPMA112

Marketing & Advertising

DIPSD119

Sustainable Development & the Environment

TRIMESTER 3

DIPAW123

Academic Writing: Language

DIPSE118

Speaking Effectively

DIPHA203

Travels through the History of Art

DIPMA111

Management

DIPFW122

Fitness & Well-being

DIPTA121

TA Course

There may also be special one-term only modules. Overviews of all the modules offered in the term are posted on the VC website.

Module availability may change based on student demand.

Please ask at reception for updated information.

| Module Code | Module Description | Skills Focus | Specialisation (Academic/General/Professional English) |
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| DIPBM102 | Bias: Explored through the Media - Critical analysis | reading, writing & critical thinking | AE & PE |
| DIPIB103 | International Business English - Networking and meetings | listening, reading, writing & vocabulary | PE |
| DIPCD104 | Community Development - Integrated language and concepts | reading, speaking & writing | AE & PE |
| DIPCW105 | Creative Writing: Fiction - Character, world and genre | reading & writing | GE |
| DIPCW106 | Creative Writing: Multiple Forms - Poetry, voice and symbol | reading & writing | GE |
| DIPDR107 | Deep Reading - Explored through graphic novels | reading & speaking | GE & AE |
| DIPDD108 | Discussions & Debates - Language, structure and reasoning | speaking & critical thinking | AE & PE |
| DIPES109 | Exploring Self-Awareness - Reflective reading and writing | reading & writing | AE & PE |
| DIPIC110 | Intercultural Communication - Integrated language and concepts | listening, speaking, writing & reading | AE & PE |
| DIPMA111 | Management - Integrated language and concepts | listening, reading & speaking | AE & PE |
| DIPMA112 | Marketing & Advertising - Integrated language and concepts | listening, speaking & writing | AE & PE |
| DIPPP113 | Professional & Personal Portfolios - CVs, applications, interviews | writing & speaking | AE & PE |
| DIPCS114 | Customer Service Management - Integrated language and concepts | speaking, reading & writing | PE |
| DIPPC115 | Professional Correspondence - Enquiries, replies, complaints & apologies | writing | PE |
| DIPPW116 | Professional Writing - Reports & proposals | writing | PE |
| DIPPS117 | Public Speaking - Presentations - Inform, persuade, inspire | speaking | AE & PE |
| DIPSE118 | Speaking Effectively - Conversation and fluency | speaking | AE & PE |
| DIPSD119 | Sustainable Development & the Environment - Integrated language and concepts | reading, speaking & writing | AE & PE |
| DIPWD120 | What is Development? - Integrated language and concepts | reading, speaking & writing | AE & PE |
| DIPTA121 | TA Course* *only for VC TAs | listening, speaking, writing & reading | AE & PE |
| DIPFW122 | Fitness and Well-being - Mental and physical health | speaking, listening, reading & vocabulary | GE |
| DIPWL123 | Academic Writing: Language - Language and voice | writing | AE |
| DIPWP124 | Academic Writing: Process - The process and structure | writing | AE |

Only selected modules will be available each term; please make sure you check the schedule.
Your Certificate, Diploma or Advanced Diploma will reflect all the modules you have successfully completed.