

The International Baccalaureate® (IB) is currently seeking to make the appointment of:

Chief Examiner for Theory of Knowledge

Theory of knowledge (TOK) is a course about critical thinking and inquiring into the process of knowing, rather than about learning a specific body of knowledge. It plays a special role in the DP by providing an opportunity for students to reflect on the nature of knowledge, to make connections between areas of knowledge and to become aware of their own perspectives and those of the various groups whose knowledge they share. The overall aim of TOK is to encourage students to formulate answers to the question “how do you know?” in a variety of contexts, and to see the value of that question. This allows students to develop an enduring fascination with the richness of knowledge.

The Chief examiner is principally responsible for setting and maintaining the academic standard for their subject(s). They are therefore closely involved in setting question papers, marking candidates’ work, and determining the final grades of candidates.

As such the position of Chief examiner entails a commitment to attend meetings for activities such as question paper editing, examiner standardization and grade awarding. These meetings may be face-to-face or held online.

As a Chief examiner the post holder is also a member of the examining board for the IB. The examining board ensure that the IB programmes as a whole are coherent and fit for purpose.

A Chief examiner may also be invited to participate in curriculum and assessment development alongside teachers, external consultants, and IB academic staff. However, the IB currently operates a seven year cycle of curriculum review for individual subjects and courses, therefore the exact nature of this involvement will vary according to timing.

All essential and desirable skills, qualifications and experience are listed in the recruitment policy available on the IB senior recruitment pages.

The position is normally held for a period of five years, providing that an initial term of three years is successfully completed.

The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 1st November 2017**.

Successful applicants will be notified by the beginning of March 2018.

Appointments will take effect from September 2018.

Enquiries should be directed to: examiners@ibo.org

For more information and to apply, please visit:

<http://ibo.org/jobs-and-careers/become-an-examiner-or-assessor/>