

28 July 2023

I am writing to confirm that we would consider the **IBO Level 3 Certificate in Higher Level Biology** (AAQ), alongside two A levels (or equivalent), for the subject-specific requirement for the following courses:

- BSc Biological Sciences
- BSc Human Biology
- BSc Genetics

Each of these subjects requires completion of 1 A level or equivalent in a science subject for entry, and the IBO Level 3 Certificate in Higher Level Biology (AAQ) would be considered for this requirement.

Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of degrees that we may consider this qualification for.

I confirm that we currently consider the existing version of this qualification, the IBO Level 3 Certificate in Higher Level Biology, alongside two A levels (or equivalent) for entry on to the above courses. Based on the content of the qualification not changing as a result of the AAQ approval process, we would continue to consider this qualification.

At Essex, we are also happy to consider a combination of separate IB Diploma Programme Courses (formerly certificates) at both Higher and Standard Level. Exact offer levels will vary depending on the range of subjects being taken at higher and standard level, and the course applied for.

This information is based on the current entry requirements, for the 2023 admissions cycle. Current entry requirement information for our courses can be found on [our website](#).

Yours sincerely

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