

INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMA IN BILINGUAL COMMUNICATION (IDBC) November 2011

General Regulations

The International Diploma in Bilingual Communication (IDBC) an ideal qualification for those wishing to test, on a bilingual basis, their written and spoken fluency in English and Chinese within a contemporary professional and business context. Candidates need to be able to demonstrate the ability to operate effectively both within and between languages.

The Examination Registration Period runs from 18th July to 2011 to 30th September 2011. The IoLET must receive all entries within the specified period.

Entry Criteria

The examination is open to anyone who wishes to use their languages in a professional capacity. There are no other entry requirements however a working knowledge to at least first-degree level of both English and the Other Language is essential. The exam is being phased out and the last year for sitting the exam is 2012.

Examination Outline

The IDBC is modular in design to test candidates in both receptive and productive skills. There are a total of 4 Modules and an optional Module 5.

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| Module 1 | Summary in Chinese – 2 ½ hours |
| Module 2 | Business Writing and Communications in English – 2 ½ hours |
| Module 3 | Translation from English into Other Language and from the Other Language into English – 3 hours |
| Module 4 | Consecutive Liaison Interpreting – 50 minutes |
| Module 5 | (Optional) Presentation or Written Project of approximately 3,000 Words |

Examination dates for November 2011

This year the examination will take place over two weeks

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| Module 4 – 4th | November 2011 |
| Module 1 – 8th | November 2011 |
| Module 2 – 9th | November 2011 |
| Module 3 – 10th | November 2011 |

Where to sit the examination?

The examination will be taken in Hong Kong.

For further information please contact:

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Further information

A copy of the Handbook and sample papers can be downloaded from www.iol.org.uk

Registration

Please download an Examination Entry Card from our website www.iol.org.uk and return the completed card and fee to one of the addresses given above no later than Friday 30th September 2011.

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| International Diploma in Bilingual Communication (IDBC) | Module 1, 2 and 3 per candidate | £400 | All Examination Candidates taking the International Diploma in Bilingual Communication (IDBC) will be required to pay an additional local fee Examination Centre Fee. | To register for the 2011 IDBC examination session please contact: IDBC Department Saxon House 48, Southwark Street London SE1 1UN United Kingdom rosario.mar@iol.org.uk 00 44 (0)207 940 3141 |
| | Module 1, 2, 3 and 4 per candidate | £500 | | To register in person please contact: Regional Coordinator in China Ms Florence Lam iol@netvigator.com |
| | Module 4 | £170 | | |