

INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMA IN BILINGUAL COMMUNICATION (IDBC)

November 2009

General Regulations

The IDBC is an ideal qualification for those wishing to test, on a bilingual basis, their written and spoken fluency in English and Chinese (or English and another language subject to minimum numbers) within a contemporary professional and business context. Candidates need to be able to demonstrate the ability to operate effectively both within and between languages. For further information on Other Language options, please contact our Central Registration Department.

The Examination Registration Period runs from 4th May 2009 to 19th September 2009. The Central Registration Department 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.

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.

- Module 1 Summary in Other Language --- 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 2009

Module 1 --- 3rd November 2009

Module 2 --- 4th November 2009

Module 3 --- 5th November 2009

Module 4 --- 6th November 2009

Where to sit the examination?

Currently the examination can be taken in a limited number of registered Examination Centres. The IoL Educational Trust will always consider applications from new centres.

For further information please contact:

IoL Educational Trust

Central Registration Department

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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 and return the completed card and fee to the Central Registration Department no later than September 2009.

Syllabus	Format	Exam Fee	Resit Fee	Examination Centre Fee	Registration
International Diploma in Bilingual Communication (IDBC)	Module 1, 2 and 3 per candidate	£400	£150 per Module per Candidate	All Examination Candidates taking the IDBC are required to pay an additional local Examination Centre Fee.	To register for IDBC 2009 in Hong Kong please contact: International and Professional Examinations Division Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority Address: 3/F, 17 Tseuk Luk Street San Po Kong Kowloon All other candidates please contact: Central Registration Department via Tel: 020 7940 3163 or Email: exams.crd@iol.org.uk Registration closes 19 th September 2009.
	Module 1, 2, 3 and 4 per candidate	£500			
	Module 4	£170			