

Frequently Asked Questions: Gr10 Course Selection & Summer School

What courses are available/offered in Summer School?

Although we do not get the Summer School Flyer until May, usually most compulsory courses are offered. Therefore, if you are reaching ahead, they should offer English, Math, Science, History and Careers and Civics. However, we recommend taking stand-alone courses (History and Careers & Civics) if you are planning on reaching ahead because they are not a pre-requisite to any senior level course. However, we have no way of knowing exactly what will be offered in summer school because the flyer does not come out until May.

Upgrade vs New Course—what is the difference?

If you have failed a course, you can choose to upgrade your mark provided that you achieved a minimum of 35% in the failed course, and provided that this course is being offered as an upgrade course. If you pass a course, and you wish to upgrade, you will have to retake the course because “upgrade courses” are only for students who have failed a course.

Can I do more than one Summer School course?

Yes, in theory you can sign up for more than one summer school course. However, the workload is very heavy (because it is condensed into one month), and doing two courses might be too much.

Online or In-class?

Traditionally, our Board offers both online and in-class courses; however, last year they were only able to offer online. We suspect, although we do not know for sure, that Summer 2021 will also be online. If it is in-class, it is usually just for the month of July. If you choose online, you will most likely get to choose whether you would like the July Session or the August Session.

How long is Summer School?

If the course is In-class, it usually only runs for the month of July—from 8:30-3:00, Monday to Friday. If the course is Online, it will also run for one month—usually there is a July session and an August session.

Are there courses available in French?

Although the courses that are offered change every year, we have never seen Extended, Immersion, French Religion, or French History offered in Summer School. Sometimes, they will offer gr10 Core French, although they did not last summer.

Do I still choose the course in myBlueprint if I intend to take it in the summer?

If you are sure you will take the course in the summer, DO NOT choose the course in myBlueprint. Choose a different course instead. This is because if you do take it in the summer, and want to switch your course after, we might not have room in the course you wish to go into.