Harare International School

CORE Program

Selection Guide: 2018

Semesters 1 & 2



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Welcome and Introduction

Greetings MYP and DP Students,

Welcome to the Core Program Guide for our IB World School.

In this guide you will find information about our Core program, including the philosophy behind Core, the structure of Core, and the interests you might pursue via Core. As service learning is also

incorporated in our Core program, you will find some information about it in this guide as well.

In addition to this guide, you will receive information about Core from your grade level advisor, as well as Ms. Reeler and Ms. Tobin.

Should you have any questions about the information in this guide, please contact Kate Reeler at kreeler@his.ac.zw or Carolina Charlsey at ccharsley@his.ac.zw



The Core Program at HIS

The Five Guiding Principles

The HIS Core Program is designed around five guiding principles:

- 1. Provide students with the opportunity to focus more on specific elements within the core of the IB MYP and DP.
 - In the MYP this means a focus on the Personal Project and shifting towards student-led service, active and creative activities (action).
 - In the DP this means a focus on the Extended Essay and CAS.
- 2. Provide students with an opportunity to live the IB mission, IB learner profile, and practice/ learn ATL skills
 - Including extending student learning by enhancing and developing what is happening in the classroom.
- 3. Provide for student pastoral care/advisory.
 - We want to provide opportunities for students to be supported emotionally and develop the skills they need to engage with others.
- 4. Provide for the appropriate number of SL and HL hours.
 - We want to ensure that our DP students are more balanced in terms of the hours they are in the SL and HL classes.
- 5. Increase opportunities for students to attend after school tutorials.

 We want to provide more opportunities for action within the school day (co-curricular) and less conflicts with tutorials.

Structure of Core

All offerings (Interests) within the Core are based upon thematic groupings, lasting for one semester-based. Only ISSEA-aligned activities and tutorials will be offered after 3pm.

As Core is part of our learning day, attendance will be kept in ManageBac. Students will be required to complete the following:

- 1. Keep a reflective log of their learning on a Google Site.
 - This reflective log is meant to contain a short reflection and some photographs. Students should not be doing this for homework. Students reflective logs will be shared with parents as part of the reporting process.
- 2. Showcase their work, once per semester.



Scheduling

The Core schedule follows a 5-day rotation, with the same schedule each week. Please see the sample schedules below:

MYP CORE Schedule	
Monday 2-3pm	Students participate in Core interests.
Tuesday	Students released at 2pm. Orchestra and swim team meet.
Wednesday 2-3pm	Advisory*
Thursday 2-3pm	Advisory*
Friday 2-3pm	Students participate in Core interests.

* During advisory students will participate in pastoral care and ATL skill building activities, as well as an occasional school assembly. Students will also have the opportunity to work on formative and summative assessments, receive study skills support, and/or extend their learning.

DP CORE Schedule	
Monday 2-3pm	Continuation of last HL classes and SL students to enrichment
Tuesday 2-3pm	Continuation of last HL classes and SL student early release
Wednesday 2-3pm	Continuation of last HL classes and SL students to enrichment
Thursday 2-3pm	Continuation of last HL classes and SL students to enrichment

DP CORE Schedule	
Friday 2-3pm	Continuation of last HL classes and SL students to enrichment

* E block will also be used as part of DP Core. When students are not in TOK, other learning and enrichment activities will happen in E Block.

Service Learning

As part of the Core program, students at HIS will continue to participate in service activities every week.

Students in grades 6 to 10 will have the option to participate in a variety of different service activities and will engage in service learning through these activities.

As an extension of the EZ program, 11th graders will continue to work with the community in Juru. As a central part of their CAS work, 12th graders will participate in Mabvuku.



Service learning trips may be scheduled from time to time. Advisors will communicate with students and parents about any scheduled trips well in advance.

Interest Offerings for the HIS Core Program

Below you will find the Core program interest offerings for Mondays and Fridays. Teacher-facilitators will lead interest offerings to a small group of students on these days. Any questions related to the interest offerings your child is pursuing should be directed to that specific facilitator.

While some offerings may only be available for one semester, students holding leadership positions within year-long interest offerings will be asked to keep these positions for the entire academic year. Students will be asked to sign up for:

- 1 semester of an active Core activity
- 1 Semester of a creative Core activity
- 1 Semester of a service Core activity
- 1 Semester of any additional Core they choose

Offerings are included below. Please note that these might be subject to change.



Monday Offerings - Semester 1

Offering	Grade Level(s)	Facilitator(s)	C or A or S
Striking Sports	6 -10	Andrei Tyoschin & Derek Gresko	Active
Integrated Sports	6-10	Kai Riber & Trey Shiver	Active
Rapid Unassisted Motion Club	6 -10	Simon Lucas	Active
Archery	6-10	Iona Bartosz	Active
Mindfulness	6 -10	Amy Gresko	Creative
Science Olympiad	6 -10	Christian Feldt & Patty Leighton	Creative
Press & Journalism	6 -10	Joy Biswas	Creative
Choir	6 -10	Bernie Henderson	Creative
Adobe Skills	9 - 10	Kate Reeler & HS Students	Creative
Mt Pleasant Library	6 -10	Buzzy Impey & Jo Lannas	Service
GISS: 24 Hour Run	6 -10	Heather Cameron & Kasey Shiver	Service
Island Hospice	6 -10	Sky Riber & Kuda Dhoro	Service
Interact	6 -10	Mondy Espinosa	Service
ES Tutoring	6 - 10	Laurel Howe	Service

Friday Offerings - Semester 1

Offering	Grade Level(s)	Facilitator(s)	C or A or S
Ultimate Disc	6 - 10	Charles Bowles	Active
Adventure Racing	6 - 10	Christian Feldt & Derek Gresko	Active
Badminton	6 - 10	Sekesai Nhokwara & Misheck Muchatuta	Active
Archery	6-10	Iona Bartosz	Active
Wilderness Preparation	6 - 10	Andrei Feldt & Forrest Donoho	Creative
Art Appreciation	6 - 10	Gill Rosselli	Creative
Production Design	6 - 10	Heather Cameron	Creative
Yearbook	6 - 10	Kuda Dhoro	Creative & Service
Backstage	8 - 10	Jakov Davokic	Creative & Service
Animal Conservation	6 - 10	Carolina Charsley	Service
Friends Animal Foundation	6 - 10	Charmagne Braden & Rao Sudhamsu	Service
Dzivarasekwa Club	6-10	Svodai Zvirawa	Service

Monday Offerings - Semester 2

Offering	Grade Level(s)	Facilitator(s)	C or A or S
Ultimate Disc	6 - 10	Charles Bowles & Derek Gresko	Active
Superskills	6 - 10	Christian Feldt	Active
Active Gaming Club	6 - 10	Patty Leighton	Active
Archery	6 - 10	Iona Bartosz	Active
Game Making	6 - 10	Andrei Feldt & Rao Sudhamsu	Creative
Choir	6 - 10	Bernie Henderson	Creative
Press & Journalism	6 - 10	Joy Biswas & Misheck Muchatuta	Creative
Fantasy Geopolitics	6 - 10	Kai Riber	Creative
Mt Pleasant Library	6 - 10	Buzzy Impey & Jo Lannas	Service
GISS: 24 Hour Run	6 - 10	Heather Cameron & Kasey Shiver	Service
Island Hospice	6 - 10	Sky Riber & Kuda Dhoro	Service
Harare Children's Home	6 - 10	Gill Rosselli & Laura Hogg	Service

Friday Offerings - Semester 2

Offering	Grade Level(s)	Facilitator(s)	C or A or S
Cross Fit	6 - 10	Andrei Tyoschin	Active
Badminton	6 - 10	Sekesai Nhokwara & Misheck Muchatuta	Active
Sepak Trakaw	6 - 10	Forrest Donoho	Active
Integrated Sports	6 - 10	Trey Shiver & Derek Gresko	Active
Aquathon	6-10	Iona Bartosz	Active
Art Appreciation	6 - 10	Gill Rosselli & Amy Gresko	Creative
Production Design	6 - 10	Heather Cameron & Kate Reeler	Creative
Backstage	6 - 10	Jakov Dakovic	Creative & Service
Yearbook	6 - 10	Kuda Dhoro	Creative & Service
First Aid	6 - 10	Carol Madziva	Service
Animal Conservation	6 - 10	Carolina Charley	Service
Dzivarasekwa Club	6 - 10	Svodai Zvirawa	Service