L'Option Internationale du Baccalauréat (O.I.B.)

L'Option Internationale du Baccalauréat (OIB) is **a French program** (not to be confused with the International Baccalaureate – IB – which is not a French program).

This Option offered at the Lycée Français de Toronto is the same as that provided in high schools in France which have international sections and some French high schools abroad.

The **American Section** is one of 14 OIB sections and is followed in some of the schools in France, in many French high schools in the U.S. (such as New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Boston, Washington), as well as in the Lycées Français in Dublin and Shanghai.

The students enrolled in OIB **acquire the French Baccalauréat in their chosen 'série'.**
« The students will take all the examinations according to their 'série', with the exception of the foreign language of the Section and history/geography both of which have specifically created written and oral examinations. »
(Ministère de l'Education nationale, http://www.education.gouv.fr/cid20999/l-option-internationale-du-baccalaureat-o.i.b.html)

The **coefficients** for these exams are as follows:

	History/Geography		Literature	
	Written exam	Oral exam	Written exam	Oral exam
Série ES	5	4	5	4
Série L	5	3	6	4
Série S	4	3	5	4

The **content** of the specific OIB exams for the Baccalauréat is the same for the three 'séries '.

Preparation for the OIB **officially begins in Première.** Students do not make a final decision about taking the Option until the end of Seconde.

At the **end of the school year in Seconde**, students will be able to request the opportunity to take the program in Première; this request will be granted or not by the **conseil de classe in the third trimester**.

Only students who are completely **bilingual** will be able to participate in the program.
Other criteria may also include academic motivation, especially in the particular areas of study focused on, as well as the ability to manage the workload.