

Extended Essay | REVISED Description for the MVC IB Website

The following talking points were generated in collaboration by LeoAI and the EE Coordinator, using language originally taken from the [2027 EE guide](#).

- The Extended Essay (EE) is a key component of the IB Diploma Program, designed to simulate university-level research and prepare students for higher education by fostering independent research, critical thinking, and academic writing skills.
- Students choose a focused topic from a DP subject or use an interdisciplinary approach, with guidance from a supervisor and three reflection sessions. Students should be studying their subject in the DP to ensure depth, accuracy, and strong application of concepts.
- Students must demonstrate knowledge of the topic, research methods, and terminology, and apply these to analyze findings and build a coherent argument. They must evaluate their work, reflect on their learning, and communicate research effectively while maintaining academic integrity.
- Students' self-regulated work is supported by their supervisor, teachers, and peers; they should develop a focused, inspiring research question, plan their research with a timeline and reflection space, apply appropriate methods ethically, organize findings, and synthesize evidence to build a coherent argument.
- DP students begin the project in their junior year, and complete it in the winter of their senior year. Many students find it helpful to create focused research, writing, and reflection time during the weeks of the summer break.