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Our *liceo* has officially been a "Cambridge International School" since the school year 2016/2017 when it was approved by what is now called CAIE, "Cambridge Assessment International Education". This means that we are entitled to offer our students Cambridge programmes for the achievement of IGCSE qualifications.

CAIE is a department of the University of Cambridge dealing with international certifications in over 70 subjects and in over 160 countries around the world. IGCSE (International General Certificate of Secondary Education) is the most popular international exam for 14 to 19 –year-olds. It is based on GCSE (General Certificate of Secondary Education) that English students usually take at the age of 16, at the end of compulsory education.

We believe that IGCSE programmes and qualifications can give our students an international perspective and broaden their worldview, as well as provide them with the opportunity to improve their knowledge of the English language and develop competences that will enable them to study abroad.

On our first course, which was launched in September 2017, students are studying IGCSE Geography, which means they are studying this subject in English according to the CAIE syllabus and we expect them to take their first Cambridge exam in June 2019, at the end of their second year. In the third and fourth years they will be taught IGCSE Mathematics sitting their exam at the end of the fourth year.

A new first class, launched in September 2018, is currently being taught IGCSE geography.

Useful links:

http://www.cie.org.uk/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-secondary-2/cambridge-igcse/

http://www.cie.org.uk/images/182906-igcse-parents-factsheet-ita.pdf

