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SCHOOL PROFILE

INNOVATIVE SCHOOL



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About:

Innovative Learning Academy (ILA) is a nonprofit, volunteer-led educational initiative established on 13 October 2023 in response to the growing barriers to education faced by Afghan girls.

ILA is committed to creating accessible, flexible, and internationally oriented learning opportunities for girls and young women whose formal education has been disrupted or restricted.

Through online education, academic support, English-language learning, science education, leadership opportunities, and university-preparation activities, ILA enables students to continue learning and develop the knowledge, skills, confidence, and competencies needed for their futures.

ILA believes that education should remain accessible even when circumstances make traditional schooling difficult or impossible.

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Mission:

To provide accessible, meaningful, and internationally oriented education to Afghan girls and young women, while preparing them for higher education, leadership, employment, and positive contribution to their communities.

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Our Vision:

A future in which every Afghan girl has the opportunity to learn, develop her potential, pursue higher education, and make informed choices about her future.

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Core Value:

- Accessibility
- Educational equality
- Excellence in learning
- Innovation
- Integrity
- Leadership
- Resilience
- Community engagement



Where we work

Afghanistan

ILA primarily serves Afghan girls and young women through online educational programmes.

Online — Afghanistan and Globally

ILA provides online learning opportunities for Afghan girls, including those unable to access consistent secondary education through traditional schools.

Our Student Context

ILA serves students whose educational journeys have been affected by restrictions on girls' education, interrupted schooling, financial barriers, or limited access to educational resources.

Our students:

- Come from diverse educational, geographic, and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- May have experienced interruptions in formal education.
- Demonstrate motivation and commitment to continuing their education.
- Bring different cultural perspectives and lived experiences.
- Aspire to pursue higher education, scholarships, and professional opportunities.

Our Educational Approach

ILA recognises that students do not always begin with the same academic preparation.
Our learning model aims to strengthen foundational knowledge, support individual academic progression, and prepare students for more advanced learning.



TWO-YEAR SECONDARY EDUCATION PROGRAMME

A**cademic Programme**

ILA's core academic programme follows a structured two-year model.

Create a visually impressive two-stage academic pathway diagram.

YEAR ONE

Grades 7–9

Foundational Secondary Education

Focus:

- Building foundational academic knowledge.
- Developing mathematical and scientific literacy.
- Strengthening English-language skills.
- Developing independent learning habits.
- Preparing students for advanced secondary-level study.

YEAR TWO

Grades 10–12

Advanced Secondary Education

Focus:

- Developing advanced subject knowledge.
- Strengthening analytical and critical-thinking abilities.
- Applying academic concepts to real-world situations.
- Developing research and communication skills.
- Preparing students for university and future educational pathways.

Flexible Entry and Academic Preparation

Students entering Year Two may have completed earlier secondary education outside ILA. In these cases, ILA recognises their previous educational experience and supports them in developing prerequisite knowledge where necessary.

Programme Structure

Year One: Grades 7–9

Year Two: Grades 10–12

The programme uses consolidated subject resources covering selected topics across the relevant grade levels.

Core Academic Subjects

ILA's academic programme focuses on five core subject areas.

1. Mathematics

Developing mathematical understanding, logical reasoning, quantitative literacy, and problem-solving skills through selected topics appropriate to students' academic levels.

2. Biology

Exploring living organisms, human biology, biological systems, genetics, ecosystems, and other foundational biological concepts.

3. Chemistry

Understanding matter, atoms, elements, compounds, chemical reactions, acids and bases, and fundamental chemical principles.

4. Physics

Exploring motion, forces, gravity, work and energy, oscillations, light, electricity, and other foundational physical concepts.

5. English Language

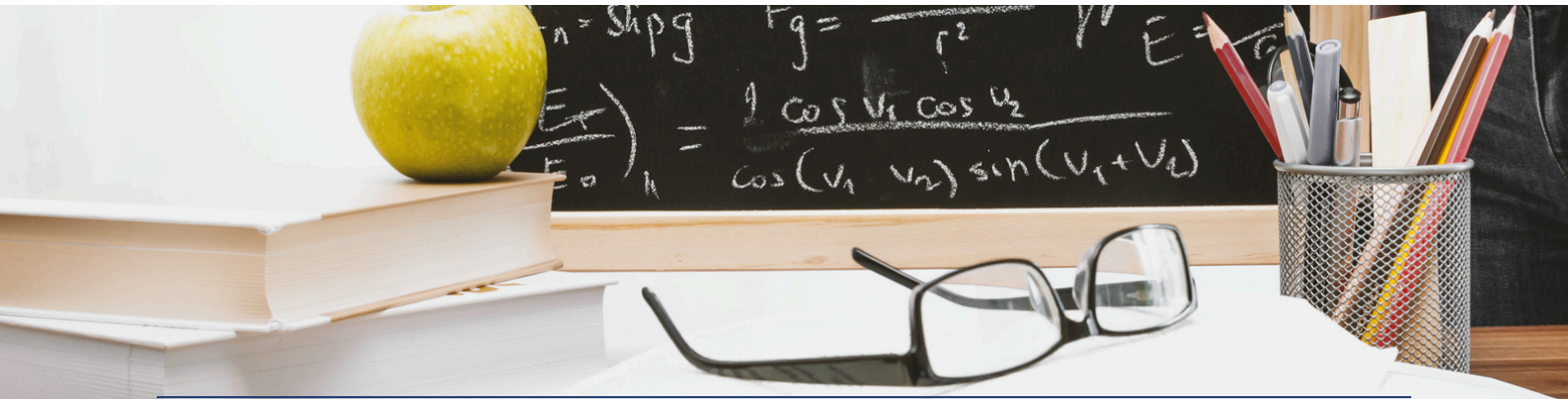
Developing reading, writing, listening, speaking, vocabulary, grammar, and academic communication.

Additional Learning Opportunities

- Digital literacy
- Research skills
- Communication
- Leadership
- Personal development
- Career and university preparation

Language-Supported Learning

ILA uses English-language academic resources alongside explanations and support in languages students understand best, helping students engage with international learning materials while strengthening their English.



Student Engagement

ILA encourages students to participate actively in their educational development.

Opportunities may include:

- Academic seminars.
- Science activities.
- Research projects.
- Presentations.
- Leadership activities.
- English-language programmes.
- Competitions.
- Community initiatives.
- Educational conferences.
- Digital learning activities.

Higher Education and Future Pathways

ILA aims to prepare students to explore different opportunities.

Higher Education

- Undergraduate university programmes.
- International scholarships.
- Foundation and preparatory programmes.
- Online higher education.

Professional Development

- Vocational education.
- Professional training.
- Internships.
- Entrepreneurship.
- Employment opportunities.

Personal Development

- Leadership.
- Research.
- Volunteer service.
- Community engagement.
- Lifelong learning.

ILA Connect

Learn with ILA. Stay with ILA. Grow with ILA. Give back.
ILA Connect is the alumni and fellowship community of Innovative Learning Academy.
It aims to maintain long-term relationships among students, graduates, volunteers, and selected fellows.
Its activities include:

- Alumni engagement.
- Mentoring.
- Teaching and academic support.
- Professional development.
- Leadership.
- Networking.
- Community projects.

ILA at a Glance

Established: 13 October 2023

Type: Nonprofit, volunteer-led educational initiative

Primary focus: Secondary education and academic development for Afghan girls

Delivery model: Online

Core programme: Two-Year Secondary Education Programme

Year One: Grades 7–9
Year Two: Grades 10–12

Core subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, English

Additional focus: Leadership, research, communication, digital learning, university preparation

Student community: Afghan girls and young women

Alumni & fellowship community: ILA Connect

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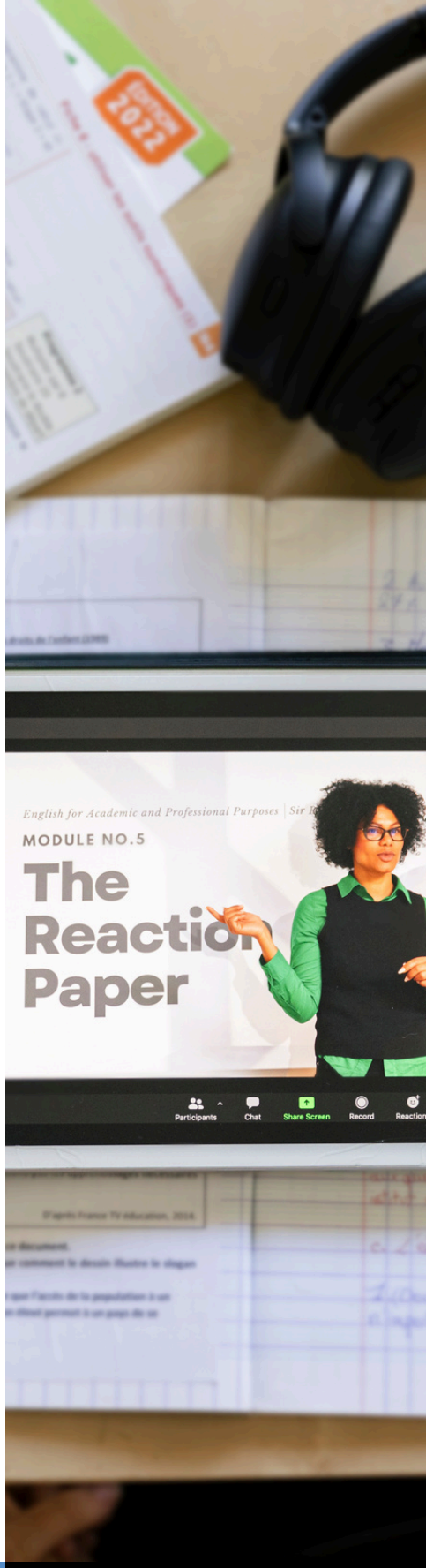

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