



## What colleges and universities have told Ohio IB Schools about the IB Diploma

### Programme:

The following are statements from admissions offices at some of the most prestigious public and private colleges and universities in Ohio, the Midwest, and the United States. Some of these are drawn from college/university websites, some from endorsements on the IB website, some from emails directly received by IB DP coordinators in Ohio, and some from responses to our own UA survey. If you have any questions about any of these responses, please contact Cynthia Ballheim, AP/IB Coordinator at [cballheim@uaschools.org](mailto:cballheim@uaschools.org).

<b>Amherst</b>	<b>If you have taken International Baccalaureate courses during secondary school, we view this as significant evidence of your academic accomplishment and preparation.</b>
<b>Baldwin Wallace</b>	<b>We are currently working on a more comprehensive incentive for IB students and recognize that their achievement is exceptional.</b>
<b>Bates College</b>	<b>Students with a large number of IB courses on their transcript will receive a boost in our recalculated GPA process. This may help increase their chances of admission significantly.</b>
<b>Bowdoin</b>	<b>IB courses carry some considerable weight.</b>
<b>Bowling Green State University</b>	<b>BGSU offers excellent credit earning potential (giving credit for all HL &amp; SL courses) and scholarship opportunities for IB Diploma holders. Many IB students enter the Honors College at BGSU and continue their high caliber course work there.</b>
<b>Capital University</b>	<b>Capital University recognizes the International Baccalaureate program as an excellent way to earn university credit toward the baccalaureate degree and gives credit for all HL &amp; SL courses.</b>
<b>Carleton</b>	<b>If your students are IB Diploma candidates we consider that the most rigorous program they can complete.</b>
<b>Chicago</b>	<b>We ask that students try to take the most rigorous curriculum available (whether that's IB or AP, whatever their school offers).</b>
<b>Clemson University</b>	<b>We are convinced that the breadth and depth of the IB experience offers students both an excellent and unique way to prepare for college.</b>
<b>Denison</b>	<b>In our office, we are always excited to see students who are graduating with an IB Diploma, and we consider that curriculum the most challenging a student can take.</b>
<b>Drew</b>	<b>We offer second year status for DP students, merit scholarships, and a competitive annual civic scholarship based on a student's CAS portfolio</b>
<b>Duke</b>	<b>If offered by your school, you should take Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate courses in addition to Honors courses. . . . We know the quality of IB courses, and we think the IB curriculum is terrific</b>
<b>Franklin and Marshall</b>	<b>I was forwarded your email regarding our view of the IB curriculum -- which is an incredibly positive view!!! If a student earns the Diploma with 30 points they earn 1 year of college!</b>
<b>Georgia Tech</b>	<b>When evaluating a student's high school coursework, we will add additional weight for any IB course that he or she has taken.</b>
<b>Gettysburg</b>	<b>Participation in accelerated, enriched, honors, International Baccalaureate and</b>

	<b>advanced placement courses is highly desirable.</b>
<b>Grinnell College</b>	<b>Our staff often travels to schools that have IB programs and we encourage all of our applicants to take the most challenging curriculum that is available to them. We give credit for HL and SL courses as per our IB Admissions policy, which is on our website.</b>
<b>Harvard</b>	<b>Success in an IB programme correlates well with success at Harvard. We are pleased to see the credential of the IB Diploma Programme on the transcript.</b>
<b>Haverford</b>	<b>If you've taken International Baccalaureate, we view this as significant evidence of your academic accomplishment and preparation.</b>
<b>Heidelberg University</b>	<b>We are proud to grant automatic sophomore status to all IB Diploma graduates.</b>
<b>Hiram</b>	<b>We know the intensity/difficulty level of the IB courses students take and consider that when looking at a transcript.</b>
<b>Hope College</b>	<b>Students can earn a maximum of 32 credits at Hope via AP and IB exams. When considering the GPA for HL IB courses, we also award extra weight. Students who are awarded credits for their high school IB coursework also gain distinct advantages with regard to housing and course selection. Students with the most credits get priority when choosing on campus housing and registering for classes.</b>
<b>Illinois</b>	<b>Evidence of rigor is demonstrated in the number of honors, Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) and/or college-level courses included in the student's four-year academic program.</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>If a student were to pursue an IB Diploma, they would be viewed as a student willing to challenge themselves in the classroom, which in the end, is what we want to see.</b>
<b>Kettering</b>	<b>We gladly take IB students and offer credit for all of their HL subjects and SL Computer Science. They are often given advanced standing and special consideration.</b>
<b>Macalester</b>	<b>We respect the IB programme for its academic rigour and the dedication it requires of students to earn the diploma. Over the years, we have found IB students to be exceptionally well-prepared for a challenging college experience.</b>
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>We would encourage our students to take advantage of the IB Program. At Maryland, we do look at the whole student through our review process which enables us to make the best determination overall regarding the student's potential for success.</b>
<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>Being in an IB program would show curriculum challenge and supersede the fact that [any particular course] may be absent [from a student's transcript].</b>
<b>Notre Dame (U. of)</b>	<b>We see applicants who are in a full IB Diploma program as having a very rigorous curriculum.</b>
<b>Otterbein University</b>	<b>We offer a \$7000 scholarship to students who complete the diploma, which is in addition to their other merit based scholarships. We give credit for HL &amp; SL courses and give \$1000 scholarship for each IB course taken to IB course students.</b>
<b>Princeton</b>	<b>The IB is a first-rate programme, one we are familiar with, and it prepares students well for a university like ours.</b>
<b>Rhodes College</b>	<b>We consider students who have completed the IB Diploma to be very prepared for the rigor that we offer and look favorably on those students in terms of admissions and merit scholarships.</b>
<b>Sarah Lawrence</b>	<b>In our minds, there is no more challenging curriculum than the IB curriculum. Not only does it prepare students for a demanding college programme, but the IB curriculum also instills in students a love of learning and an understanding of the</b>

	truly interdisciplinary nature of education. Instead of working on each subject in a vacuum, IB students are shown how each of their classes connects both with the other classes and with the world around them.
Texas	We're looking for students who are engagers—students who are maximizing opportunities in the classroom, maximizing opportunities outside of the classroom. What's very unique about IB is that through its curriculum it allows students to be able to satisfy the requirements of the types of students that we're looking for.
The University of Georgia	We give credit for all HL & SL IB courses, depending upon how well a student does in those courses.
UNC Asheville	We regularly attend the Mid-Atlantic IB Fair in April in the DC area in order to recruit IB students.
University of Cincinnati	We recognize the course work done by IB students and give advanced standing/special consideration for it. We give credit for both HL and SL courses and are building our Key as we encounter students who need the equivalency.
University of Evansville	We award both a scholarship and sophomore status to IB Diploma recipients, in recognition for their outstanding accomplishment
University of Nebraska	Out of state IB Diploma graduates receive a \$50,000 renewable IB scholarship, sophomore status and 3 hours of Philosophy credit for TOK.
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	The academic preparation of IB students is stellar for our rigorous liberal arts curriculum. We award credit for all HL courses and SL Global Language courses.
University of Tulsa	IB Diploma students who receive a 28 or more point count on their work receive Sophomore status and a \$3,000.00 renewable IB Merit Scholarship.
University of Wisconsin	It's fantastic that you have an IB programme; it's such an excellent program. It really prepares students well for university studies. . . . We look at what your school offers; it's way more important that students complete the IB programme if your school offers it.
Virginia	It's great that have IB . . . the best thing [for a student] to do is complete the IB Diploma. . . For admission purposes, we assume that students pursuing a full IB diploma are taking the toughest academic program available to them and that, as we say above, is what the Committee on Admission generally wants to see.
Webster University	In recognition of the excellence and rigor of the International Baccalaureate program, Webster University will award up to 32 semester hours for an International Baccalaureate Diploma.
Wellesley	We have a high regard for the IB program and consider it a strong preparation for a liberal arts curriculum.
William and Mary	We consider the IB Diploma the most rigorous program a high school student can pursue.
Williams	IB is very highly regarded, and I and many of my colleagues personally believe the rigor of most IB programs to be unmatched by most AP programs. Colleges particularly appreciate the global focus, the theory of knowledge course, the extended research essay, and the mandatory service component. Many may actually prefer IB precisely because of its comprehensiveness and rigor.
Wooster	We respect the IB.
