**TEN REASONS**

**why the IB Diploma Programme is ideal preparation for UNIVERSITY**

1. **It offers academic breadth and depth:** IB Diploma Programme students are 21% more likely to be admitted into 10 of the most prestigious universities, including Harvard, Princeton, Yale and Stanford.
2. **Colleges value students with meaningful experiences beyond the classroom:** Creativity, action, service (CAS) encourages learning through direct experience.
3. **It’s a qualification recognized by universities around the world:** The IB Diploma Programme is internationally benchmarked, allowing graduates to continue their studies anywhere in the world.
4. **It creates independent learners and strong writers:** The extended essay requires independent research through an in-depth study and a 4,000 word essay.
5. **It cultivates an international mindset:** An international mindset is a key 21st century learning skill. Second language learning—an IB requirement—has been linked to higher achievement in school and in university.
6. **It assesses more than examination techniques:** IB never teaches to the test—exams are externally assessed with no grade inflation.
7. **IB students have proven time management skills:** Research has found that IB students develop strong study habits and critical time management skills, key indicators of college readiness.
8. **The IB encourages critical thinking:** Inquisitiveness and interpretation are among the key cognitive properties of an IB education.
9. **Subjects are not taught in isolation:** Theory of Knowledge classes encourage students to make connections between subjects and gain the skills they need to be critical thinkers.
10. **Here are TEN more reasons:** The IB learner profile offers 10 qualities underpinning the Diploma Programme—from open-minded to risk-taker to balanced, they form a framework for an international education that meets the needs of a changing world.