College Admissions and the IB Programme

A 2011 IBO study found that college acceptance rates for IB students tend to be higher than those for the general population.

UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCE RATES for the 20 most popular institutions among survey respondents	TOTAL POPULATION ACCEPTANCE	IB DIPLOMA CANDIDATE ACCEPTANCE	
University of Florida	42%	82%	
Florida State University	60%	92%	
Brown University	9%	18%	
Stanford University	7%	15%	
Columbia University	9%	13%	
University of California, Berkeley	26%	58%	
Harvard University	7%	10%	
New York University	30%	57%	
University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	51%	71%	
University of Miami	30%	72%	
Cornell University	18%	31%	
Duke University	16%	28%	
University of Pennsylvania	14%	24%	
Yale University	7%	18%	
University of Central Florida	47%	90%	
Boston University	58%	70%	
University of California – Los Angeles	23%	48%	
University of Virginia	32%	64%	
UNC Chapel Hill	32%	63%	
Princeton University	8%	16%	

College Success and the IB Programme

The University of Florida (UF) has both the highest number and highest percentage of applications from IB Diploma students in North America. A 1996 study conducted by the Admissions office found that IB students at UF had higher SAT scores and a higher GPA their first year in college.

Performance of IB Students at the University of Florida					
STUDENT CATEGORY	SAT	HS GPA	UF GPA	CHANGE	
Standard College Prep	1158	3.6	2.6	-1.0	
Advanced Placement	1177	3.9	3.1	-0.8	
International Baccalaureate	1213	3.8	3.3	-0.5	

Additionally, IB students earned consistently higher grades in Math, Chemistry and English than all other students enrolled in those university classes.