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**Diploma Programme**

**Class of 2021**

The unique benefits of the DP

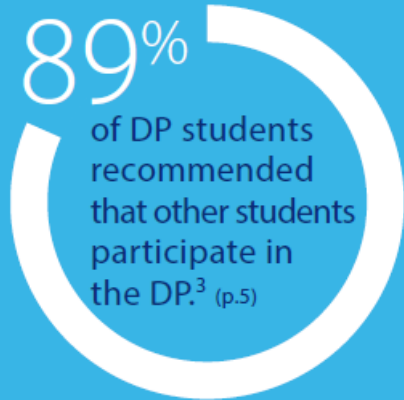
# Facts and Figures

**1.3** million\*  
DP graduates  
**140+** countries

\*as of May 2015



In a recent DP study at the University of Oregon's Honors College,



sample size: 18 students

DP students in the US who enrolled in post-secondary education immediately after high school **enrolled in and graduated from four-year institutions at much higher rates than the national average.**

**95%**  
of DP cohort  
60% national cohort

**enrollment at four-year institutions** (public and private)



**79%**  
of DP cohort  
39% national cohort

**average graduation rate at four-year institutions** (public and private)



# Facts and Figures

## A+

University admissions officials say the DP is the best qualification for developing students' non-academic skills and preparing them for further education and careers.<sup>5</sup>

### Encouraging independent inquiry



### Developing workplace skills



### Nurturing an open mind



International-mindedness means having the opportunity to have doors opened in other countries and widely renowned universities.<sup>7</sup>

(DP student, p.38).

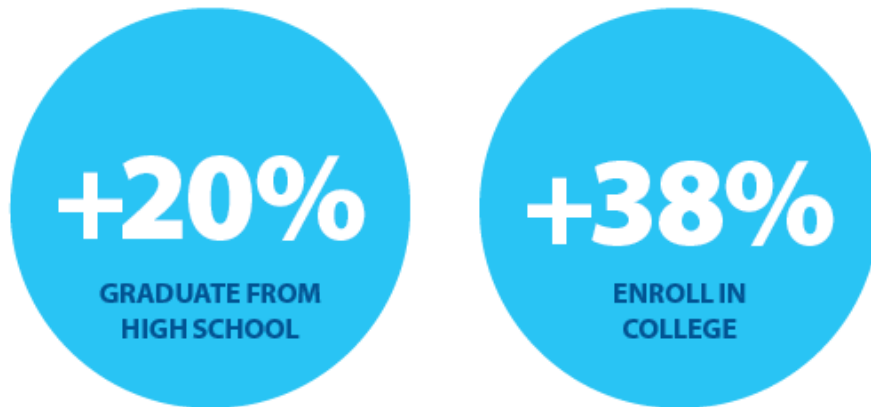
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## The effect of enrollment in the full DP

A large-scale study of public schools in an urban US district indicated that enrollment in the DP **increases the probability** that students will graduate from high school and enroll in college. <sup>2</sup>



Of the **89** DP students that enrolled in ranked universities in Mexico, **73** enrolled in a top 5 programme. <sup>8</sup>

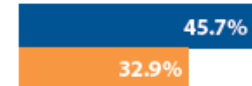


## Outcomes at university

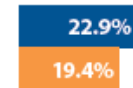
In the UK, DP students outperform their A Level peers in terms of enrolling in top universities and achieving first- or second-class honors. <sup>4</sup>

- DP students
- A level students

### Enrollment in a top 20 university



### Achieving a first-class honors degree



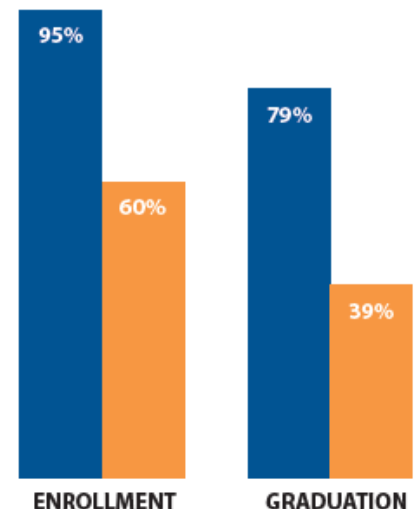
### Achieving at least a second-class honors degree



## University enrollment and graduation

DP students in the US have higher rates of university enrollment and graduation at four-year institutions compared to the national average. <sup>6</sup>

- DP cohort
- National cohort



# May 2018 Session

## Session Summary

Candidates	Exams	Subjects	Countries	Schools	First Language	First Nationality
163,173	615,074	215	143	2,790	172	215

Diploma Pass Rate	Diploma Mean Grade	Diploma Average Total Points	Diploma Candidates with 45 Points
78.18	4.79	29.76	259
		<b>IAA: 35.27</b>	

### Regional Distribution of Schools

● IBA ● IBAEM ● IBAP



### Percentage Split by Gender

● F ● M ● X



# May 2018 Session

## Number of Candidates by School Country

JORDAN

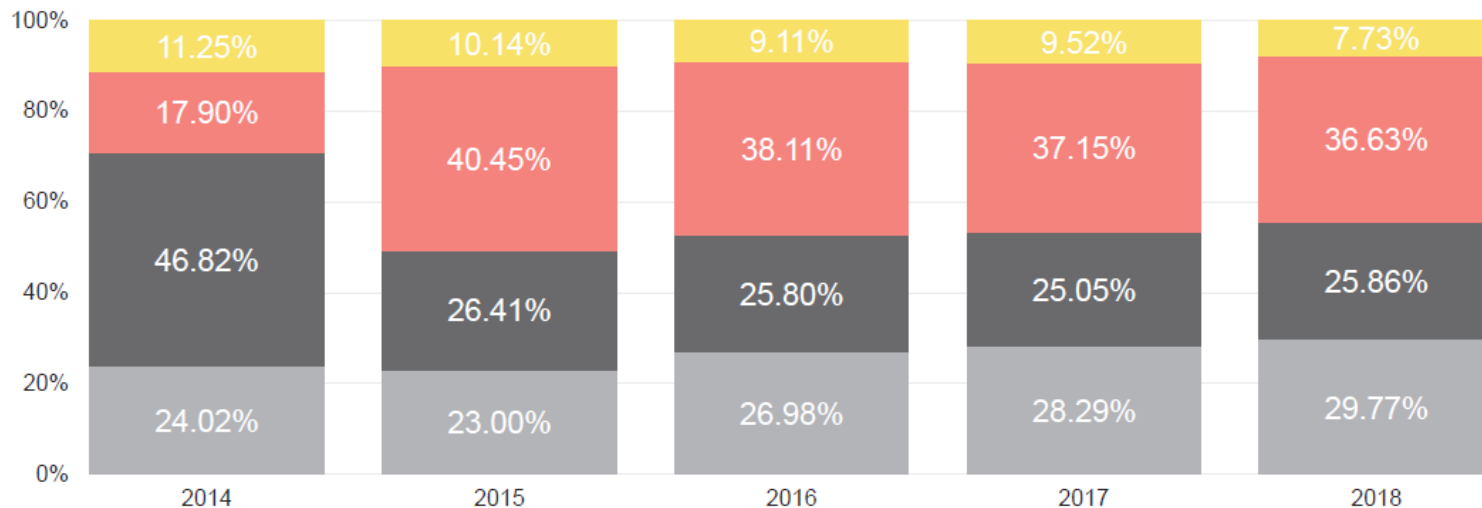
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### Grade Distribution by Subject Group

Group	Candidates	Mean Grade	% 1	% 2	% 3	% 4	% 5	% 6	% 7
Studies in Language and Literature	117,449	4.97	0.01	0.67	6.05	24.70	37.98	25.05	5.54
Language acquisition	94,270	5.27	0.05	1.32	7.03	16.67	26.23	35.06	13.63
Individuals and societies	142,717	4.62	0.26	4.05	13.41	27.78	30.44	18.09	5.97
Sciences	118,842	4.28	1.26	9.99	20.83	24.58	21.15	14.82	7.37
Mathematics	99,895	4.32	1.84	10.33	18.00	24.14	22.51	15.70	7.49
The arts	27,842	4.39	0.20	4.79	20.24	28.59	27.00	14.63	4.55
Interdisciplinary	14,059	4.18	1.22	9.26	22.34	26.00	24.44	12.29	4.44
<b>Total</b>	<b>615,074</b>	<b>4.66</b>	<b>0.65</b>	<b>5.30</b>	<b>13.69</b>	<b>24.26</b>	<b>27.87</b>	<b>20.74</b>	<b>7.49</b>

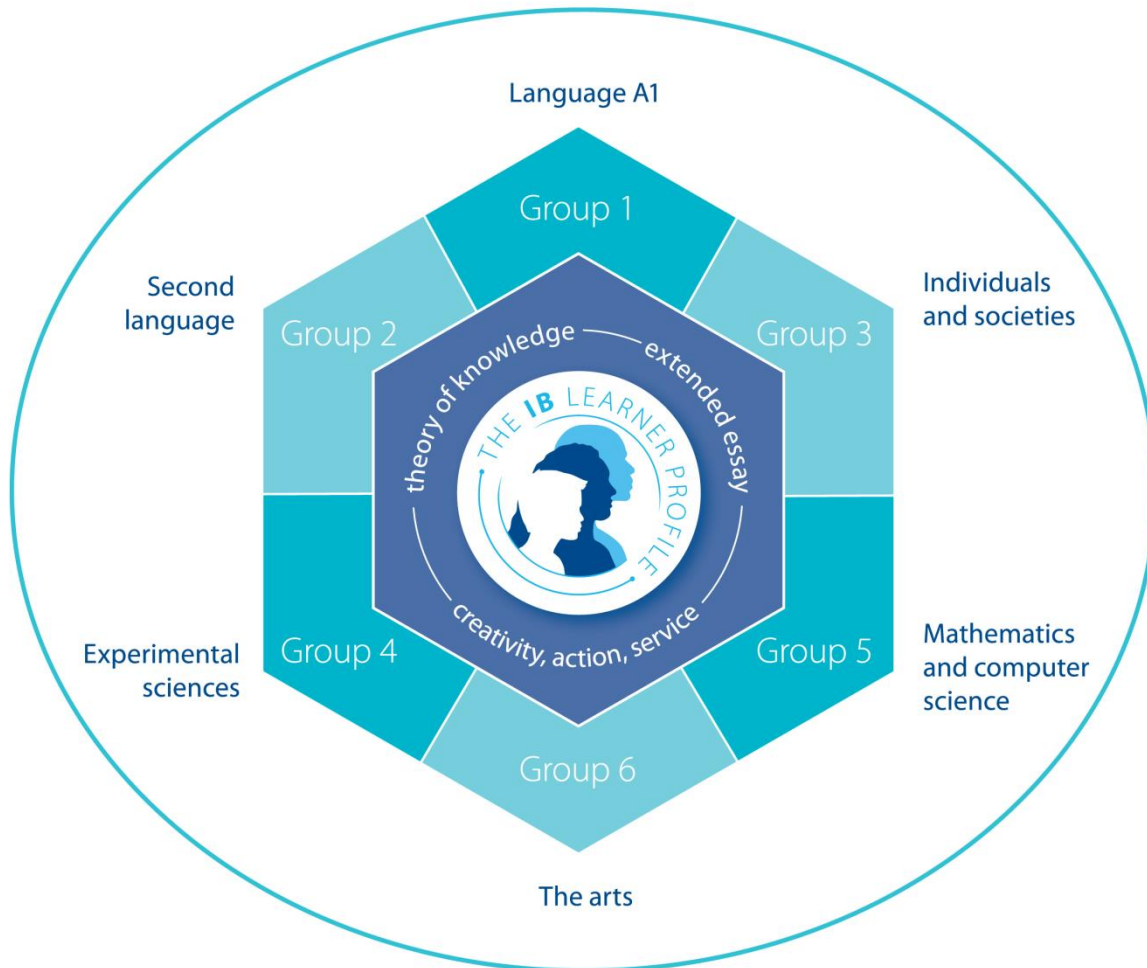
### Percentage of Candidates Scoring Bonus Points

● 0 ● 1 ● 2 ● 3



## Contents: What does the Diploma Programme curriculum contain?

*The curriculum contains six subject groups and a core of three parts.*



Students study concurrently:

- three subjects at higher level (240 hours each).
- three subjects at standard level (150 hours each).
- all three parts of the core.

The IB Learner Profile and the core are central to the philosophy of the Diploma Programme.

## Subjects offered: What subjects are offered within the six groups?

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*The Diploma Programme has a large range of subjects and many more options*

- **Group 1** - 46 languages are regularly available. Others (with a written literature) by arrangement.
- **Group 2** – 25 or more modern and classical languages for all abilities from complete beginner (ab initio), with some experience (language B) and competent (language A2).  
  
Most, but not all subjects are available at both higher and standard levels.
- **Group 3** - business and management, economics, geography, history, information technology in a global society, philosophy, psychology, social and cultural anthropology, environmental systems & societies.
- **Group 4** - biology, chemistry, design technology, environmental systems & societies, physics.
- **Group 5** – Mathematics: Applications and interpretation (HL & SL), developed from Math Studies; Mathematics: Analysis and approaches (HL & SL), developed from current Math SL and HL courses
- **Group 6** - music, theatre, visual arts, film.



## Subjects choices at IAA

*These are our options:*

- **Group 1; Studies in Language and Literature** – English A: Language and Literature; Arabic A: Literature
- **Group 2; Language acquisition** – English B (HL only); Arabic B; Spanish B; Arabic Ab Initio (SL only)
- **Group 3; Individuals and societies** – Business and management, Economics, History, Global Politics, Psychology, Environmental systems & societies (only SL; transdisciplinary)
- **Group 4; Sciences** - Biology, Chemistry, Design technology, Physics, Environmental systems & societies (only SL; transdisciplinary).
- **Group 5; Mathematics** – Mathematics: Applications and interpretation (HL/SL); Mathematics: Analysis and approaches studies (HL/SL)
- **Group 6; The Arts** – Theatre, Visual arts



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## Making choices at IAA

### *Four things to consider*

- **First consideration: Meet IB requirements** – choose 1 subject from each group; group 6: the arts can be replaced with another subject from another group; thus, group 6 is ‘arts and electives’
- **Second consideration: Meet IAA requirements** – as we don’t have unlimited time and teachers, like any school IAA has to put their subjects into ‘blocks’ and have students choose from a ‘menu’ (see example; next slide)
- **Third consideration: Meet Tawjihi requirements** – for science stream you require 2 Science and a Math, 2 of which need to be at HL; for science or arts stream you can’t be Arabic Ab Initio. Also, Psychology is not a Science in IB; ESS is a Science in IB but not for Tawjihi
- **Forth consideration: Meet University requirements** – UK architecture, good schools want HL Mathematics; also, some may ask for Visual Art, in which case we apply for an “irregular diploma” in which you are exempted from having to take a Group 3 subject, so the student can still have Tawjihi science stream...



## 2017-2018 choices at IAA (current Grade 12 class)

*This was the 'menu' of subject choices offered, in our 'blocks'...*

Block 1 Subjects	Block 1 Choice
English A Lang & Lit HL	
English A Lang & Lit SL	
English Lang B HL	

Block 2 Subjects	Block 2 Choice
Arabic A Lit SL	
Arabic A Lit HL	
Arabic B HL	
Arabic B SL	
Arabic or Spanish Ab / Ab Initio SL	

Block 3 Subjects	Block 4 Choice
Maths HL	
Maths SL	
Maths Studies SL	

Block 4 Subjects	Block 3 Choice
Physics HL or SL	
Business Management HL or SL	
History HL or SL	
Economics HL or SL	

Block 5 subjects	Block 5 Choice
Biology HL or SL	
Economics HL or SL	
Design HL or SL	
Global Politics HL or SL	

Block 6 Subjects	Block 6 Choice
Chemistry HL or SL	
Business Management HL or SL	
Theatre Arts HL or SL	
Visual Arts HL or SL	
ESS SL	
Psychology HL or SL	
Spanish Ab Initio/B	



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*There are three core requirements*

### The extended essay:

- 4,000 words
- Offers the opportunity to investigate a research question of individual interest
- Familiarises students with the independent research and writing skills expected at university



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### Creativity, action and service (CAS):

- Encourages students to be involved in artistic pursuits, sports and community service
- Education outside the classroom
- Development of the learner profile



## Contents: What does the Diploma Programme curriculum contain?

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### Theory of knowledge:

- Interdisciplinary
- Explores the nature of knowledge across disciplines
- Encouraging an appreciation of other cultural perspectives



## Services: What is special about IB assessment?

*IB assessment is rigorous, criterion related, consistent and differentiating of student ability.*

- Diploma Programme assessment includes both final examinations and internal assessment undertaken by the teacher to IB criteria and then externally moderated by the IB.
- All 4,000 examiners are 'quality checked' through a process of moderation.
- The IB undertakes random inspections of schools during exams.
- Results are published on 5 July for May session and 5 January for the November session.
- The diploma is graded over 45 points giving ample scope to differentiate student ability
- Marks awarded for each course range from 1 (lowest) to 7 (highest).
- Diploma is awarded to students who gain at least 24 points.
- The overall diploma pass rate is broadly consistent year on year
- Diploma Programme assessment – principles and practice – available on **[www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org)**

## University recognition: How well is the diploma recognized by universities?

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*The IB diploma is widely recognized by the world's leading universities.*

The IB works closely with universities in all regions of the world to gain recognition for the IB diploma:

- Direct online access for university admissions officers and government officials to syllabuses and recent examination papers
- A database of university admission policies on [www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org)
- Recognition in over 100 countries
- Recognition by over 2,000 universities
- Some universities offer scholarships and advanced placement for IB students

Students applying to a particular university can access their grades directly from the IB's secure web site.



What makes us special is  
when you combine the ideas  
behind the words

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