

University and College Survey Response

The IB provided information to universities in late March on how results would be calculated for the May 2020 session. On 6 April 2020 the IB sent a questionnaire to around 3000 universities across the globe.

Universities have been in the process of developing their admissions policy and were asked to reply once their policy had been developed.

400

survey responses
have been received.

98%

Percent of admissions
officers indicated that
student admission would
not be impacted.

88 %

Percent of admissions
officers confirmed that the
information provided
would be accepted for
admissions.



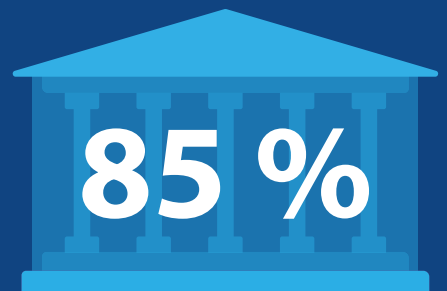
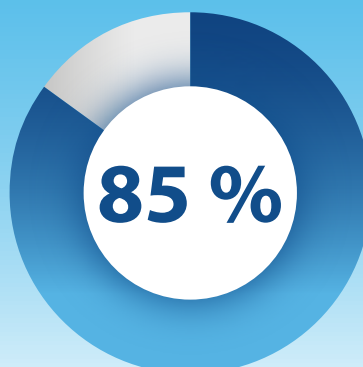
Survey responses have been
received from over 50
countries.

Almost **50%** of the responses
were from the USA, with **10%**
from both Canada and the
UK, but there were also
responses from Australia,
Hong Kong, Singapore and
the Netherlands.

This very much mirrors the
destinations for IB graduates
each year.

Around **50%** of the
universities that responded
stated that their standard
admissions process is to
make conditional offers,
where admission is
dependent on meeting
certain grades in the IB
Diploma.

Amongst these universities,
over **85%** suggested that
they would try to be flexible
when reviewing students
final IB results.



The US universities and
colleges who responded to
the survey were asked to
comment on the award of
credit and/or placement.

Over **85%** stated that their
standard policy with regards
to credit and placement
would hold for the students
receiving their results in July
2020.

University admissions support for IB May 2020 graduates

The IB has been in regular communications with universities and colleges across the world since the very start of the COVID-19 pandemic in January.

Several universities have shared words of support regarding admissions.

The Russell Group of Universities welcome the clarity provided by exam regulators and awarding bodies across the UK over how they will grade candidates who would have taken exams ... and other qualifications such as the International Baccalaureate Diploma. Students can rest assured that results provided through these processes will be treated exactly the same as in any other year by members so learners can still progress to the university and course of their choice, subject to achieving the required grades. Applicants should liaise with individual universities for further guidance on their processes.

Russell Group (24 leading UK universities)

In principle, we will be accepting all diploma credentials that appear on our diploma equivalencies list regardless of any exam postponements or cancellations. This includes the International Baccalaureate.

Leiden University, Netherlands

The University of Toronto is aware that IB examinations have been cancelled in May 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. We will accept the adjusted assessment and grading practices that the IBO has put in place to determine final IB results, and our admission and transfer credit policies therefore remain unchanged for this year.

University of Toronto, Canada

Please rest assured that we will be using this summer's results (as awarded) to confirm places in our normal way – if you meet all of the conditions of your offer with us by the deadline stipulated by UCAS (currently 31 August), you will be accepted to the University.

We understand that there may be an opportunity to take examinations this autumn. If you have not met the conditions of your offer this summer, you may choose to sit alternative examinations this autumn. The University of Cambridge will make you an offer for entry in October 2021, if the terms of your original offer are met as a result.

University of Cambridge, UK

We trust how IBO decides each student's final result even without the exams and wish all the senior students have equal opportunities to enroll in colleges especially in this unstable situation.

University of Sophia, Japan

The University of California system will continue to award credit for designated IB subjects passed with scores of 5, 6 or 7, as well as extra units for the IB Diploma completed with 30 points or more.

University of California System, USA

We are convinced that IB as a world reference institution in the field of education, will offer us reliable results.

Universidad de Navarra, Spain

Focus on important things. Do your best. It will work out. Universities need great students.

University of Southern California, USA

We understand that many of you are concerned because your high school is closed, exams have been cancelled, or your high school has changed its grading scheme. We are aware of the exceptional circumstances you are facing and want to reassure you that if you have received an offer of admission, this offer will be honoured.

McGill University, Canada

We will be working with the IBO to ensure Diploma students are given full and fair consideration for 2020 entry, and where possible we will show flexibility when confirming places in July.

University of Bath, UK

We will take reference from the official IB results released by IBO.

Singapore Management University, Singapore

We have been closely following developments related to COVID-19, and we are aware of significant changes pertaining to final examinations worldwide. We understand that students may have some concerns about their admission status due to recent examination cancellations. They can rest assured that we will accept the final qualifications submitted to us from the IB. In the meantime, we encourage students to stay engaged and work hard to complete their remaining coursework this year. We know this has been a challenging semester for students all over the world, but we look forward to getting through it together and welcoming them to campus.

New York University, USA

We will treat the May 2020 results as per normal.

University Admissions Centre, NSW, Australia

We will use the assigned grades to make our confirmation decisions the same as we would in a 'normal' year.

London School of Economics, UK

There will be no changes to Barnard College's IB policies. We are completely understanding of all the changes that secondary schools have made in light of COVID-19. Please rest assured that these constraints will not impact your offer of admission. We take a holistic approach to our admissions evaluation process; therefore, extenuating circumstances are always taken into consideration when we review applications. We sincerely hope that having this information will help to put you, your family, and your community at ease during this challenging time.

Barnard College, USA

We know you have worked extremely hard to get to this point, and we value all you have done. We are committed to making decisions on your application in a timely and evidence-based way. Your exam boards, high schools, college counsellor or teacher should be gathering any alternative evidence on your performance as they would do in the normal way, and as per their own internal guidance, to support any consideration of exceptional circumstances. We are following our admissions policy for extenuating circumstances.

University of St Andrews, UK