



LEYSIN AMERICAN SCHOOL IN SWITZERLAND

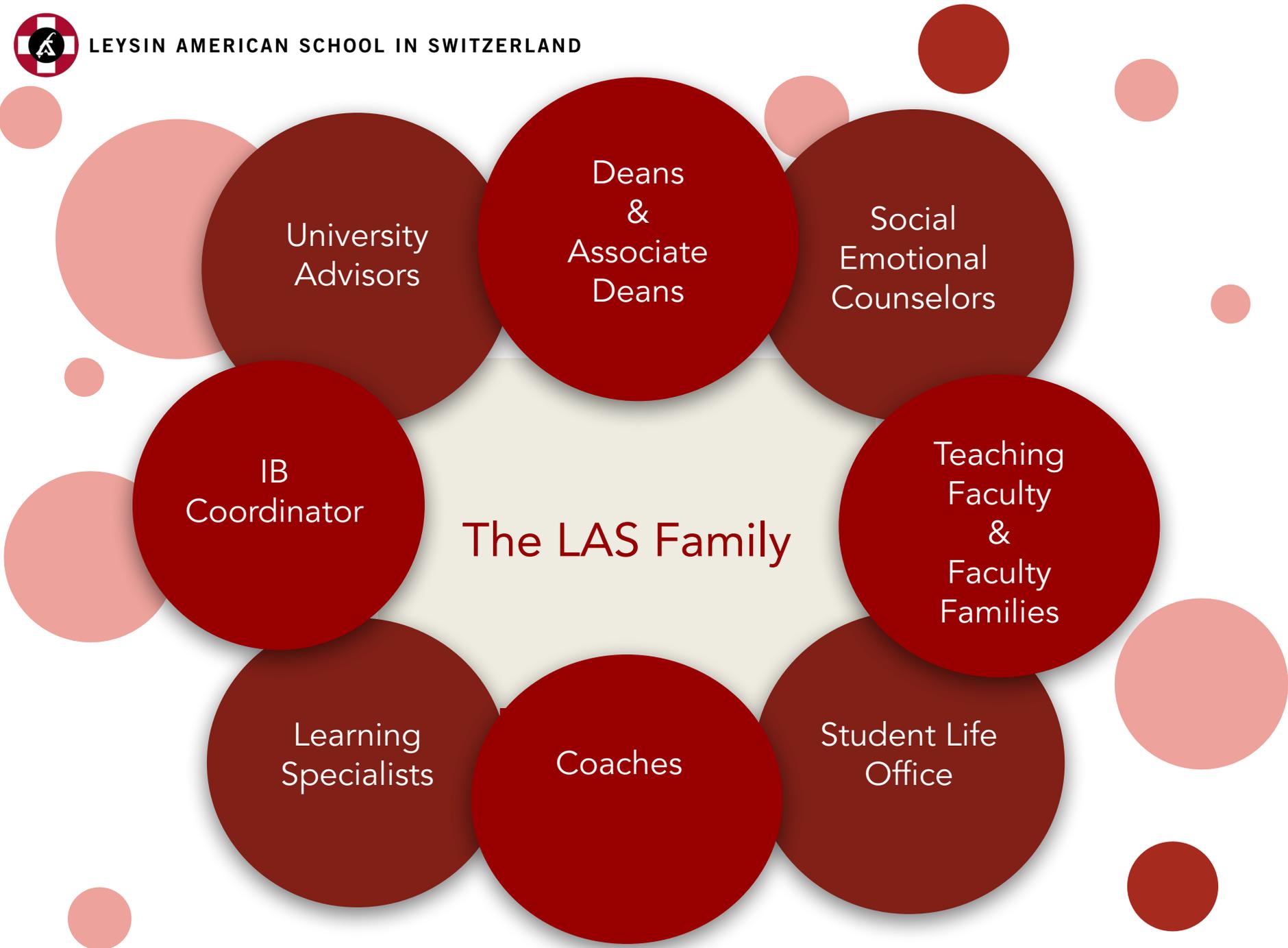
# Power of Parenting

*August 28, 2019*



# How We Support Your Child...

It takes a FAMILY!



University  
Advisors

Deans  
&  
Associate  
Deans

Social  
Emotional  
Counselors

IB  
Coordinator

The LAS Family

Teaching  
Faculty  
&  
Faculty  
Families

Learning  
Specialists

Coaches

Student Life  
Office



# COMPREHENSIVE LAS PROGRAM

<i>Academic</i>	<i>University &amp; Career</i>	<i>Social</i>	<i>Emotional</i>
Organizational Needs	Self-exploration	Friendships	Personal Issues
Advising	Career-exploration	Being an Ally	Personal Crisis
Individualized Student Planning	University Research	Life choices & saying "no"	Developmental Needs
Strength-based	Applications	Conflict Resolution	Faculty Family



76%

of our Faculty hold  
**Master's**  
**degrees**  
or *higher* and speak  
14 languages  
including Zulu!



# What are the options?

1

Full IB  
Programme  
&  
LAS Diploma

2

LAS Diploma with  
IB Courses

3

LAS Diploma -  
English  
Acquisition



International  
Baccalaureate®





# What is the IB Diploma Programme?

- Rigorous pre-university course of studies
- Designed as comprehensive two-year curriculum that allows its graduates to fulfill requirements of various national education systems
- [Research](#) suggests that there are many benefits to choosing the Diploma Programme (DP). The programme aims to develop students who have excellent breadth and depth of knowledge – students who flourish physically, intellectually, emotionally and ethically.



# What courses do IB students take?

## 6 Courses

\*one from each

Language & Literature (SL/HL)	Language Acquisition (SL/HL)
Individuals & Societies (SL/HL)	Experimental Sciences (SL/HL)
Mathematics (SL/HL)	Arts (SL/HL)

3 courses must be Higher Level (HL)

3 courses must be Standard Level (SL)

## Core Elements

\*mandatory

Theory of Knowledge (TOK)

Creativity, Action, Service (CAS)

Extended Essay (EE)



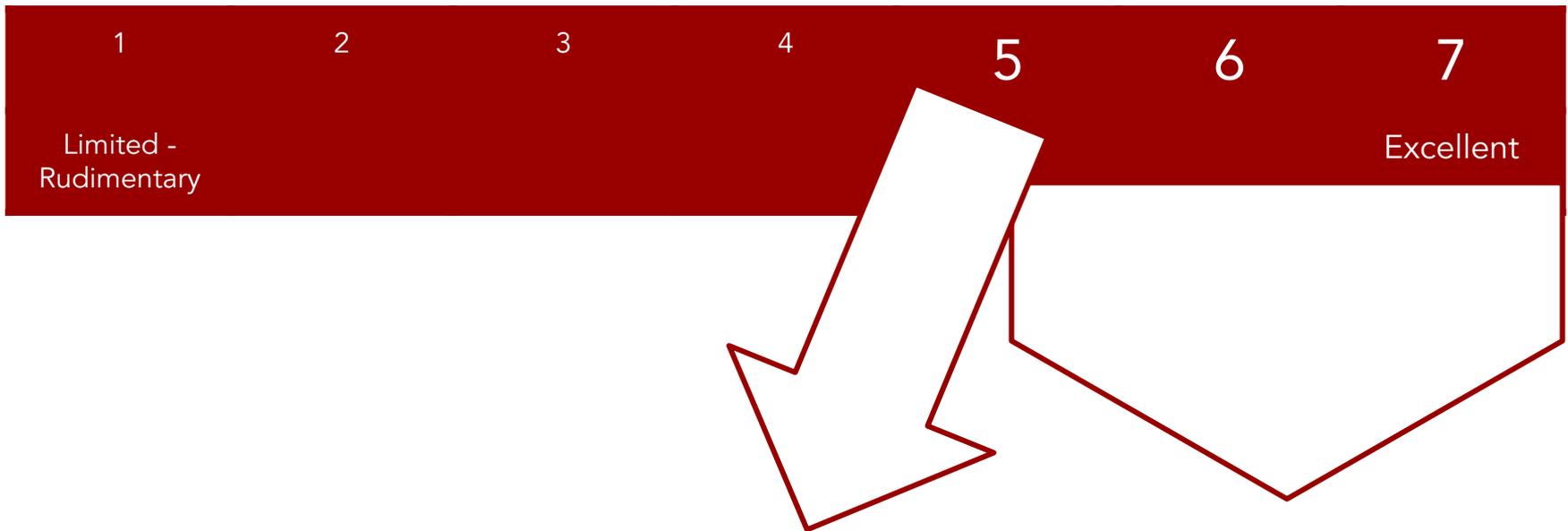
# What courses do IB students take?

IB Diploma students must select courses in a specific manner prescribed by IB:

- Will take 6 courses
- One from each subject "group": 3 of these courses at a Higher Level (HL) and 3 of these at Standard Level (SL) and they will engage with the Core elements of TOK, CAS and the EE
- G12 71% IBDP students
- G11 83% IBDP students



# LAS Diploma with IB Courses *Scoring*



Score of **5** or higher in IB English A  
waives IELTS/TOEFL  
Score of **7** IB English B also may waive  
IELTS/TOEFL

Allow for advanced  
placement at various  
universities



# LAS Diploma - English Language Acquisition

- Allows flexibility in a particular subject(s)
- Student-focused special talent or hobby
- Earn a US high school diploma credential - coupled with standardized tests (SAT, ACT or SAT subject exams - *recognized worldwide*)
- Focus: academic strengths, self-reflection, leadership, and relationships
- Highly individualized academic plan
- G12 29% of students
- G11 17% of students



# Choosing a Program

- Choosing the correct program based on a student's *ability and potential* is of the highest importance
- LAS faculty, deans and university advisors advise each student *individually* on his or her course selections
- Selection of courses based on *academic performance, interests and requirements* for entry into top universities of student's choice



No matter which program -  
Student Support is our priority



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# LAS University Advising



Robert Kostrzeski (Mr. K)  
*Director of University Advising*

Dimple Patel  
*University Advisor*

Dr. Malia Le Mond  
*University Advisor*

[youcanbookme](#)

Germaine Maes  
*Career Advisor & Office Manager*



# University Advising

Academic &  
University  
Advisors

Visits from 200+  
universities

*THE LAS ADVANTAGE*

Ratio  
30:1

Personalized  
Testing Plan

Open Door Policy  
*Access to advisors*

*We get to know your child(ren)!*



# Grade 7 and 8

- ❑ Dorm duty presence
- ❑ Family week presentation for parents
- ❑ Student access if desired



# Grade 9 and 10

- ❑ 1on1 appointments if desired
- ❑ Evening dorm presentations
  - ❑ *Personality assessments*
  - ❑ *Learner profile inventory*
  - ❑ *Leadership*
- ❑ **Career and Strength** Building activities
- ❑ PSAT 10 in spring Grade 10
- ❑ **Academic advising** in spring Grade 10
  - ❑ *IB/LAS course selection*
  - ❑ *Initial university planning and discussion*



# Grade 11

- ❑ **Individual meetings** and introduction
- ❑ Dorm presentations and essay workshops
- ❑ University visits and presentations on campus
- ❑ **Testing plan** (ACT, SAT, SAT subjects, IELTS)
- ❑ Official PSAT (*October 30*)
- ❑ Optional SAT prep course on campus
- ❑ Academic support (faculty *and* advisors)
- ❑ Initial list of "**fit**" colleges and universities
- ❑ **Close relationship** with each advisor
- ❑ Financial Aid and Scholarship information



# Grade 12

- ❑ University visits and presentations to campus
- ❑ Highly individualized meetings 1on1
- ❑ CIS Fair - Geneva - October 1 (over 200 unis)
- ❑ **Country specific** university workshops
- ❑ Essay/Personal Statement workshops
- ❑ Execute Early Decision/EDII/Early Action strategy and plan (USA)
- ❑ Teacher Recommendations
- ❑ **Organize** applications, documents, deadlines
- ❑ Complete final applications
- ❑ Making Final Decision



# LAS Stats 2008-present

10,000  
applications  
submitted

Acceptances to all 8  
Ivy League schools  
and MIT, CalTech,  
Cambridge, Oxford  
and Stanford among  
others



# 85% of LAS Alumni Attend:

## US News & World Report:

- Top 50 Liberal Arts, Top 50 National Research
- Forbes University Ranking Top 50
- Times Higher Education World University Rankings
- QS World University Rankings
- Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU)
- Top Art, Business, and Hotel Management, and other specialty schools



# Where did they go - Class of 2019

- Australia 4%
- Brazil 1%
- Continental Europe 6% (Austria, France, Netherlands)
- Mexico 8%
- Russia 1%
- Thailand 1%
- USA 49%
- UK 20 %
- Switzerland 8%
- Gap Year 2%



# Class of 2019-20

- SAT subject Exams:
  - Math Level 2 696
  - Physics 703
  - Bio - M 653
  - Chemistry 660
- SAT
  - EBRW 530-640 *middle 50%*
  - Math 670-715 *middle 50%*

# LAS Parent Portal



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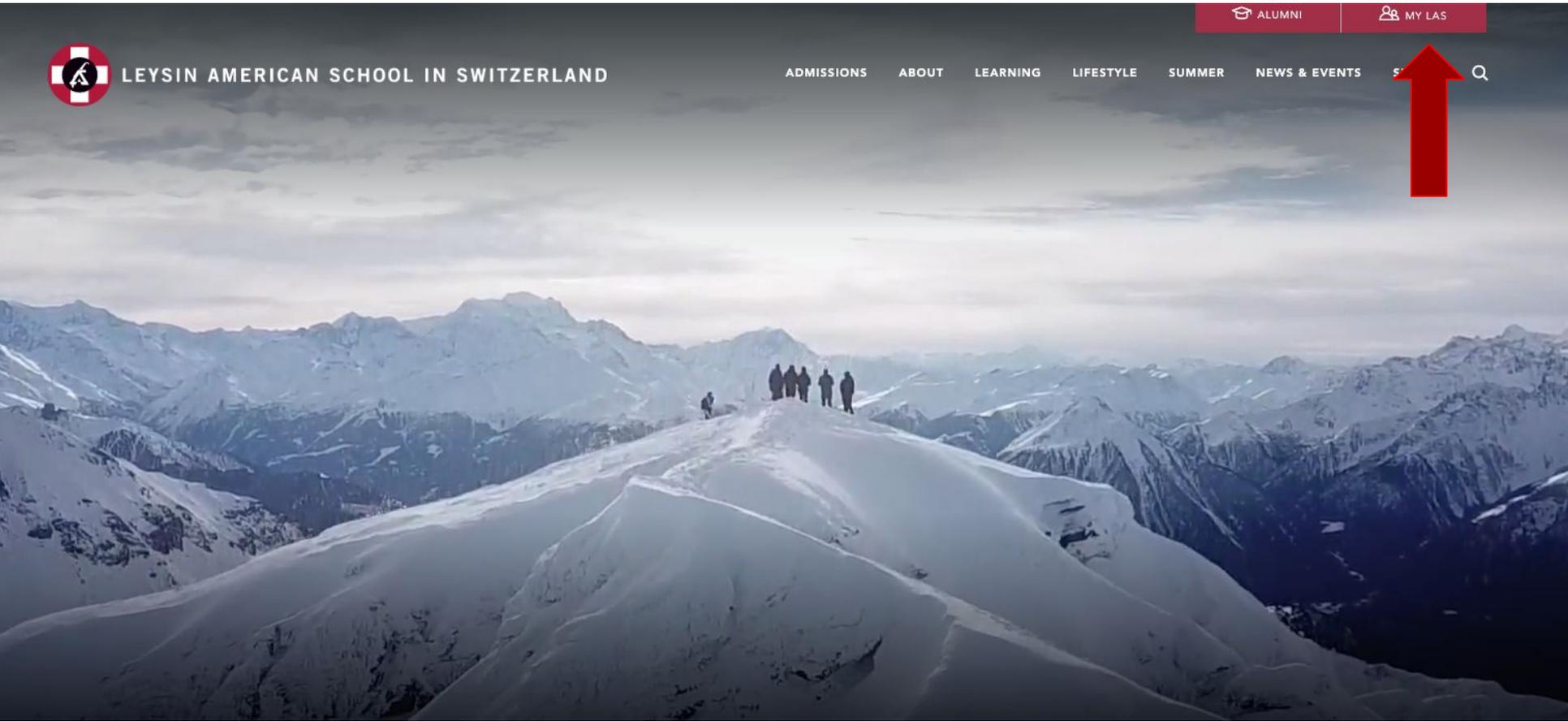
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LAS NEAR YOU

## Login

Please provide your username and password to log in:

Username

Password

**LOGIN**

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# Our Parent Role (Dr. OTT<sup>3</sup>)

CHECK

UNDERSTAND

ENCOURAGE

ACCEPT

SUPPORT

Sign into our [LAS Parent Portal](#) often. Our University Advising team will be posting information and dates about deadlines, university visits, and more.

Understand that you child will learn to think for themselves. It will help them develop a sense of responsibility, which will ultimately benefit their future.

Encourage your child to becoming more independent, think critically and self-advocate.

Accept that testing is not the only way (or the most valid way) to evaluate your child's knowledge/abilities in a subject.

Support your child to create a positive experience for their educational career, well-being and overall life balance.