



HIS FEATURED ALUMNUS

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Growing up in Hanoi and studying at HIS exposed me to a diverse range of cultures, ideas, and perspectives.

I am fairly certain that this exposure has had a significant impact on my personal development, academic success, and professional career.

Some key takeaways include:

Exposure to diversity

Studying at HIS exposed me to a diverse range of cultures, religions, and languages. This exposure helped me develop a more open-minded attitude and allowed me to build strong interpersonal skills, which is beneficial in both personal and professional settings.

International perspective

Studying at HIS also helped me develop a global perspective on issues related to culture, politics, economics, and society. This in turn gave me a deeper understanding of different societies, their cultures, and their values, something that has turned out to be a real asset when working in an international and multicultural settings.

Academic success

I really enjoyed the IB curriculum, which I felt was more rigorous and challenging than the local curriculum I'd experienced prior to HIS. This allowed me to develop strong study habits, analytical and critical thinking skills, and a commitment to excellence.

Career opportunities

My time at HIS absolutely equipped me with the foundations to work for multinational companies and organizations that operate in different parts of the world.

What advice would you like to share for current HIS students?

Everyone you meet is fighting a battle you know nothing about. Be kind. Always.



Favorite memory of HIS

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**“It is impossible to pick just one!
What stays with me is the
opportunity to make friends from
widely different countries and
cultures, and the excitement of
meeting new people and forming real
friendships.”**

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