



Admissions Policy

Non-Discrimination Statement

The College admits students who shall profit from the program from many countries without regard to race, religion, color, gender, nationality, or political affiliation.

Student Selection

Students are selected for admission to IC based on academic potential, school achievement, and readiness for the school's rigorous and robust curriculum. At IC, we inspire our students to become ethical, responsible, critical thinking, and open-minded risk-takers. We instill in our students the necessary thinking, social, communication, self-management, and research skills. To be successful at IC, students must be willing to work hard and be committed to our program.

In addition, students are expected to develop proficiency in English, French, and Arabic*.

IC caters to students with **mild to moderate** learning support needs.

Vacancy Levels

The main entry levels for new students usually are:

- Nursery/Petite Section
- First Intermediate/Sixième/Grade 6
- Fifth Secondary/Seconde/Grade 10

Applicants to other grade levels will be considered if vacancies become available.

Qualified candidates will be placed on a waiting list.

Parents must renew their children's applications every year to be reconsidered for admission.

Admission Criteria

- At preschool, applicants are admitted based on a qualifying interview with the candidate as well as an interview with his/her parents.
- At other schools, applicants are considered based on previous academic achievements, the results of IC's entrance exams and a qualifying interview with the applicant as well as an interview with his/her parents.

Age Limits

- Applicants to the Nursery/Petite Section level must be three (3) years of age by October 15th of the academic year.
- Applicants to the KGI/Moyenne Section level must be four (4) years of age by October 15th of the academic year.
- Applicants to the KGII/Grande Section level must be five (5) years of age by October 15th of the academic year.

Priorities

While IC gladly accepts and selects students from all different backgrounds, students in the following categories are given priority:

- Siblings of current IC students - provided there are no outstanding financial obligations to IC
- Children of IC faculty and staff
- Children of IC alumni
- International students
- Children of AUB faculty and staff

Final Selection

Final selection decisions are made by the Admissions Committee at each school.

Development Fee

New students are charged a one-time, non-refundable development fee.

* Students admitted to the non-Lebanese programs, who have an exemption from the Lebanese Program issued by the Lebanese Ministry of Education, are not required to study regular Arabic but will be placed in the special Arabic program.

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Addendum

Admission into the IB Diploma program:

- Admission into the IBDP at the secondary school is open to all students in grade 10 across programs (French Bac program, Lebanese Bac program and College Preparatory program). Accordingly, students joining the IB 1 class have different academic backgrounds of content and skills.

- Admission takes place during the class meetings of the second trimester, and it follows the following criteria:
 1. Student academic performance during the first and second trimesters of grade 10.
 2. The result of an **English proficiency exam** with a grade of 80/100 for English SL students and 85/100 for English HL students, along with a recommendation from the English teacher.
 3. The result of an **Arabic proficiency exam** for holders of Lebanese nationality only. A minimum grade of 70/100 is required along with a recommendation from the Arabic teacher.
 4. To enroll in Math Higher level (HL), the student needs to attain an average of at least 75/100. To enroll in a Math Standard level (SL), the student needs to attain an average of at least 70/100. LB and FB students admitted into the IB diploma program need to complete additional work in Math before joining the IB 1 year.
 5. Recommendations of the class teachers for the student's readiness to join the program.
 - All students who join the IB DP as Lebanese nationals need to follow the conditions of the Ministry of Education and register in **IB Arabic A and LB History and Civics**, in order to get the equivalency of the IB Diploma with the Lebanese Baccalaureate.
 - Students applying from outside the school to join IB DP need to satisfy the above criteria.

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