

I really enjoyed my time during the IB program. It took hard work and determination, but the mindset and diverse experience that I gained during the program has been well worth it. Although it was tough sometimes, all my classmates were going through the same experience so I was part of a community. I was able to participate in different summer learning opportunities and my teachers were always happy to help. The IB teachers at Kelvin really cared about our learning experience and I can't thank them enough for that.

The program also encouraged us to participate in CAS (creativity, activity, and service). I was never an athlete prior to entering Kelvin, but this component of IB really pushed me outside of my comfort zone. Since I've left Kelvin, my enjoyment of physical activities led me to completing a 42k marathon and pursuing competitive powerlifting at one point.

Engineering is quite time consuming in university as we always had to take more than a full time course load, but IB did prepare me for time management and studying efficiently. I was also able to skip a few classes in university with the IB transfer credit, which allowed to focus on extra-curricular in first year and to take classes from more senior years. It freed up my time table in 3rd and 4th year university. The rigour of the laboratory reports in the IB program also prepared me for the thorough write ups that we had to do for our science classes in university.

I don't only recommend IB for the academic experience that comes with it, but also for encouraging me to try new things that I would have never come across with otherwise.

*Yzah M.*

The IB programme is truly a privilege for students. Although I did not do exceptionally well, fantastic teaching alongside bright students helped shape my mind in a way that every student should have the opportunity to experience.

*Amrit M.*

IB was very useful in helping me develop skills necessary to get through university. The rigorous curriculum required me to develop good study habits along with time management skills. As a result, I felt I was more prepared to handle course material when I got into university. The teachers were also very helpful in making sure we succeeded and they also went out of their way to provide help when necessary. It is a demanding program but I would recommend it to anyone looking for a challenge and who wants to get an idea of what a post-secondary education would feel like.

*Jaisal P.*

Right from the start the IB programme places you in an environment of like-minded, high achieving, and very bright fellow students. It teaches you above and beyond what would normally be expected of you, and reinforces the kind of learning and habits that are invaluable in pursuing further education, or in life in general. There's no sugar-coating it, it is a tough

transition and a hard journey filled with mental sweat, tears, and amazing camaraderie that develops into a dependable network of professionals down the line. The course content may delve into such fascinating depth you will find yourself supplementing your knowledge outside of class time, and staying late to have insightful discussions with the highly qualified, supportive, and wonderful IB staff.

You will find the transition to university is not so much a transition as it is a relocation of a building, as you will have little struggle in adapting and excelling as you have in the IB programme.

Having the completion of IB on your résumé or curriculum vitae is a recognized honour which opens many doors, a notable one is the ability to transfer your IB credits to university credits in most universities - this immediately saves you time, money, and puts you ahead.

This may not be the right choice for everyone, and you will more than likely dislike it at some points along the way, but no one said it was going to be easy (nor should it), and the satisfaction and benefits of having completed it are that much greater.

I was, I am, IB.

Good luck.

*Vitali P.*

The content taught in the IB physics, chemistry and math courses really helped to prepare me for entering a mechanical engineering program. I think the IB program helped me to develop a strong core skillset that I have built off of in the years since. Overall, I enjoyed my time in the IB program - I learned a lot and made many lifelong friends.

*Anonymous*