

## Pre-IB Afternoon Classes

### College Admission: Applications, Essays and the Process

Planning for college can be one of the most exciting times in a student's life. However, as we all know there is intense competition for college entry to the best US and UK universities. Therefore, as more international students apply for places, it is a distinct advantage for students to understand how the application process works, how to write a good essay and how to put a first rate application together.

### Time Management and Organisation

IB students beginning their IB program are expected to already have the skills which help them to organise their time, their workload and to study independently. This class will teach you how to develop these skills and become more efficient when using libraries and resources for research, taking notes in class, completing homework and other assignments.

### Academic English

This course is aimed at students who may lack self confidence in their ability to express themselves orally, or in written work, in English. This may be because English is your second or third language or because you have had insufficient practice in presenting your ideas in exam situations.

### SAT 1 Test Preparation Practice in Maths, Critical Reading and Writing

As you know, nearly every College in America accepts the SAT as part of its admission procedures and many of you will be applying to U.S. Universities. Our afternoon practice classes will enable students to be better prepared for the SAT tests by improving the skills necessary to maximise their scores. Separate classes are available for each of the above areas and you should choose the practice class that suits your needs.

### US Team Sports

Our expert coach has the experience and knowledge to provide support in US team games to students of any ability or confidence level. These classes will provide you with the opportunity to have fun whilst playing a selection of team games. Students taking the course will decide, with the assistance of the coach what sports they wish to play and these may include ultimate Frisbee, basketball, baseball, volleyball or soccer. During this class you will get the opportunity to make friends and enjoy yourself whilst developing your sporting skills.

## About Us

### Who are ISC?

International Summer Courses is a highly successful company that has been running bespoke IB summer courses at Stanford University for 15 years so we can guarantee you a personal and highly professional service. Kath Huxley, the Program Director, is a past IB coordinator and teacher with more than 20 years of examining and teaching experience in excellent IB schools worldwide. Therefore, she is very aware of the challenges and demands of the IB diploma program and what students require in order to gain maximum benefit from an IB summer program.

It is because the IB summer program has the right philosophy for education that the course has been a great success with students and parents alike and continues to go from strength to strength.

### Who are the Faculty?

All course tutors are accomplished, expert and qualified IB teachers currently teaching in worldwide International Schools, many are also IB examiners. The tutors and Director live in hall with the students for the duration of the course and are available for their needs and questions. They want you to enjoy and benefit from your time at Stanford so feel free to ask for any advice. Student advisers are also on hand after class to organise social events and look after you.

### Further Information

We are not able to answer all your questions in this leaflet, so more information on course content, travel arrangements, Visas, and associated Fees payable are available on our website:

[www.ibsummerschool.com](http://www.ibsummerschool.com)

You will also be able to download application forms and find out more about the wonderful facilities for study and leisure, that Stanford Campus has to offer, in addition to the exciting trips and events held during the Summer School.



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## The Academic Program Mid-IB Review Classes

For students at the end of the first year of their IB program and who will take the exam in May or November 2013.

You can study THREE IB subjects over the three-week course studying one IB subject per week. You will spend up to 18 hours on each subject, taking classes each weekday morning of the program. In order to extend your academic choices, you may also decide to take up to six afternoon classes in World Literature, TOK, Internal Assessment in History, Economics or Science, SAT practice in Maths and English subject tests, SAT (1) Reasoning tests, or College Admission.

This is an intensive review program designed to cover work that students feel is most appropriate to their individual academic needs, following consultation with the subject specialists. Many students find it very helpful to review work with a different teacher and get a new approach to a topic.

### Which IB Review class is suitable for me?

You can take three subjects during the program, one subject per week. These may be IB subjects in which you feel you need more in-depth revision, in which you may have gained poor grades due to absence or illness or where you have gaps in your knowledge or understanding of certain concepts. You may also wish to improve in a subject area in order to secure the maximum points in your examinations.

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
English A1	English A1/A2	English A1
Biology HL	Biology HL/SL	Chemistry HL/SL
Chemistry SL	Chemistry HL	Physics HL
Physics SL	Physics HL/SL	Maths HL
Maths HL	Maths HL	Maths SL
Maths SL	Maths SL	History HL/SL
History HL/SL	Maths Studies SL	Economics SL
Economics HL	Economics HL/SL	Business & Management HL/SL
Business & Management HL/SL	French B	Psychology HL/SL

Subjects marked as HL/SL will combine both levels in the same class

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### World Literature (Language A)

World Literature is an integral component of your IB program and requires you to write literary essays and commentaries on your chosen texts. Both HL and SL students are required to write these essays.

### Theory of Knowledge and Writing the TOK Essay

TOK is another integral component of your IB diploma program and the study of the issues raised in TOK classes will help you to address and debate the many 'problematic' areas of other fields of study.

### Internal Assessment in History, Economics or Science

Teacher assessment is used in many IB subject areas and this class will examine the requirements of internal assessment in whichever subject area you choose.

### SAT (I) Reasoning Tests and SAT (II) Subject Test Preparation Practice in Maths Level 1, Maths Level 2 and English Literature

SAT's are an accepted component of admission procedures to US universities and there are two levels – the reasoning tests and the subject tests. If you will have taken your SAT Reasoning tests before the summer program then you could choose to take the subject tests if you have not then you should choose the Reasoning tests.

### Extended Essay Advice

You may wish to take extra individual advice for your Extended Essay with our experienced and well-qualified teachers. You will receive up to two hours individual assistance with a subject specialist teacher.

## Pre-IB Classes

For students about to enter the IB program in September 2012 or January 2013.

The Pre IB course enables you to choose which subject and level you wish to study during your stay with us. You will choose subjects in each of the 4 core area of the IB Diploma Program. You will be asked to choose **English** - A1, A2 or B Maths - HL or SL **Science** - either Physics, Chemistry or Biology and **Individuals in Society** - either History, Economics or Business & Management. In addition you will attend classes in **Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay and Research, Oral, Writing and Presentation skills.**

### What students will gain from attending this course

**Academic rigour** – all the elements of this course are directly related to what students can expect to experience in their future IB classes in terms of both classwork and homework. All staff adhere strictly to IB subject curricula using past papers and actual examples of what is expected at each level of the IB to ensure students are fully prepared. All students attend the courses of their choice at either HL or SL which enables precision teaching and gives students greater confidence and insight into what they can expect when they start their diploma. Take a look at the courses on offer at [www.ibsummerschool.com](http://www.ibsummerschool.com).

**Small groups** – all subject groups are taught in Stanford classrooms and consist of no more than 10 students and often even lower numbers.

No less than **52.5 hours** actual **class time** with their specialist teachers when students will be working on their IB subjects

**Sports and Social Program** – a dedicated team of experienced teachers and Stanford graduates will organise a complete and varied program of sports and social activities for evenings and weekends. See the general information page at [www.ibsummerschool.com](http://www.ibsummerschool.com) for more detailed information about this aspect of the course.

**Career advice** – all students will attend a presentation by a Stanford University Admissions officer who will talk them through the US admissions process and they can then talk one to one with the officer or our own knowledgeable staff about their options and requirements. Additionally students may opt to attend our highly specialised and excellent College Admission course.

