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COLOMBO
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Through Education

Secondary

SCHOOL PROFILE

2023-2024



We prepare minds

and hearts to face the challenges
of the future



WELCOME TO COLEGIO COLOMBO BRITÁNICO CALI, AN IB WORLD SCHOOL IN CALI, COLOMBIA SOUTH AMERICA

2023-2024 SECONDARY SCHOOL PROFILE

THE SCHOOL: CCB is a co-educational, private, day school that offers an instructional programme from early childhood (18 months of age) up to Grade 12 (18 years of age). Founded in 1956 as a non-profit making institution, the school is governed by a Board of Governors, and is committed to fostering moral, social and academic excellence in an enriching bilingual environment (English-Spanish) with French classes in grades 5-8 (offered as an elective thereafter).

ACCREDITATION: CCB is fully accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS). Since 1977, the International Baccalaureate Organization based in Geneva, Switzerland, authorised CCB to offer the IB Diploma Programme; in 2007 CCB was authorised to offer the IB Primary Years Programme (PYP) and in 2011, the Middle Years Programme (MYP). Additionally, the School is authorised by the Colombian Ministry of Education to offer the Colombian Baccalaureate Diploma. We are on our way to have the IB Career Programme too.

THE SETTING: CCB is located on a beautiful green 28.6-acre (116,000m²) campus in Pance, a residential southern suburb of Cali where most of the independent schools and universities are located. Cali is a warm city of Colombia, South America.

THE SECONDARY SCHOOL: The Section comprises a Head of the Secondary School, a Deputy Head, a Well-Being Coordinator, a Learning Support Programme (LSP) Coordinator, the IB MYP & DP - CP Coordinators, Subject Coordinators, Grade Coordinators, ICFES Coordinator, CAS Coordinator more than 70 full time teachers, a team of LSP teachers, three psychologists, an MYP Counsellor, a DP College Placement Counsellor and a Child Protection Officer for the whole school.

THE STUDENTS: CCB has a total enrolment of approximately 1,221 students of which 600 are in grades 6 to 12 in the Secondary School. 90% are Colombian nationals and 10% are from other nationalities. The average student-teacher ratio in the entire school is 8:1. Our graduates are accepted into highly selective universities around the world.

THE CALENDAR: The CCB academic calendar for secondary students is a three-trimester year. It starts in the third week of August and finishes in the middle of June. Classes are held Monday through Friday, with a six-day schedule, with six periods of 60 minutes. Examinations are held in December and in June with Grade 12 mock exams in February. The final grades awarded at the end of the year are based on the evaluation of the performance during the whole year and are based on prescribed criteria.

THE CURRICULUM: The Secondary School offers a unique curriculum that integrates seven years of Colombian National Curriculum with the International Baccalaureate Programmes. Our students are in the IB MYP from 6th to 10th Grade. In 10th grade, in addition to the regular subjects, students can take electives and AP courses. In 11th and 12th Grade, students are enrolled in the IB Diploma Programme and at the same time, they fulfil the Colombian national curriculum and graduate with two Diplomas.

The IB Diploma requires that six subjects be studied, together with an assessed course in Theory of Knowledge (TOK), participation in Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS) and the writing of an Extended Essay (EE). Of the six groups, three subjects must be studied at Higher Level (HL-240 hours of instruction over the two-year course) and three subjects at Standard Level (SL-150 hours). Students are awarded the IB Diploma upon successful completion of the requirements of the International Baccalaureate Organization.

COMPARISON OF CCB WITH OTHER EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS

AGE		COLEGIO COLOMBO BRITÁNICO EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM		UNITED STATES EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM		UNITED KINGDOM EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM	
18 m	Tiny Cubs	(PYP-IB) Authorised School	Early Childhood			Nursery	
2-3	Toddlers						
3-4	Nursery						
4-5	Pre-kinder						
5-6	Kinder						
6-7	1st Grade	(PYP-IB) Authorised School	Primary	Kinder 4	Kindergarten	Reception	Primary School
7-8	2nd Grade			Kinder 5		Year 1	
8-9	3rd Grade			1 st Grade	Year 2		
9-10	4th Grade			2 nd Grade	Elementary School	Year 3	
10-11	5th Grade			3 rd Grade		Year 4	
11-12	6th Grade	4 th Grade	Year 5				
12-13	7th Grade	(MYP-IB) Authorised School	Secondary	5 th Grade	Middle School	Year 6	Secondary School
13-14	8th Grade			6 th Grade		Year 7 - 1 st Form	
14-15	9th Grade			7 th Grade		Year 8 - 2 nd Form	
15-16	10th Grade			8 th Grade		Year 9 - 3 rd Form	
16-17	11th Grade			9 th Grade		Year 10 - 4 th Form	
17-18	12th Grade	10 th Grade	Year 11 - 5 th Form				
		-----		11 th Grade	High School	Year 12 - Lower 6th Form-A Levels	
		(DP - IB) Authorised School		12 th Grade		Year 13 - Upper 6th Form-A Levels	



GRADING SYSTEM AT CCB

COLEGIO COLOMBO BRITÁNICO				SPAIN		U.S. GRADES				
AVERAGE	IB GRADE	COLOMBIA		SELECTIVITY		U.S. GRADE			GRADE POINT AVERAGE	
7.0	7	SUPERIOR	5.0	10	OUTSTANDING	A+	97-100	EXCELLENT	4.0	
6.5	6	SUPERIOR	4.8	9		A	93-96	EXCELLENT	3.8	
6.0		SUPERIOR	4.5			A-	90-92	VERY GOOD	3.6	
5.5	5	HIGH	4.3	8	NOTABLE	B+	87-89	VERY GOOD	3.3	
5.3		HIGH	4.2			7	B	83-86	GOOD	3.0
5.0		HIGH	4.0	6			B-	80-82	GOOD	2.5
4.5	4	BASIC	3.5		5	APPROVED	C+	75-79	SATISFACTORY	2.3
4.0		BASIC	3.0				C	70-79	PASSING GR.	2.0
3.0	3	LOW	2.5	4	D		60-69	MEDIOCRE	1.5	
2.0	2	LOW	2.0	3	NOT APPROVED	F	0-59	POOR	1.0	
1.0	1	LOW	1.0	2		F	Incomplete	VERY POOR	0	

From September 2008 onwards, CCB implemented the International Baccalaureate grading system (1-7, with 7 being the highest score and 4 the passing grade). Our teachers demand very high academic standards from the students. From 6th to 10th grade, students' averages are graded on an unweighted scale. In 11th and 12th grades of the IB Diploma Programme, there is a weighted scale to calculate averages of the IB subjects, multiplying Higher Level subject grades by 1.25 and Standard Level subject grades by 1.1. We do not have a credit system to calculate the GPA. Instead, we provide averages.

Although our School is an authorised centre for the PSAT, SAT and AP, it is important to mention that our curriculum does not include any preparation for such tests. Our students prepare themselves for these examinations on their own and in their free time

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AT CCB

Students must:

1. Complete 12th Grade with all of the subjects approved with 4.0 or more.
2. Present the Colombian Official State Examination called "Pruebas Saber 11" and pass all the subjects.
3. Present an extended essay of 4.000 words, a final Theory of Knowledge Essay and comply with Creativity, Action, Service (CAS) requirements..
4. Be up to date with all school financial obligations and graduation fees.



COURSE OFFERINGS AT CCB, IN THE SECONDARY SECTION

SUBJECTS BY GROUPS	SUBJECT AREAS	IB MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME	IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (DP)
		9th & 10th Grades	11th & 12th Grades
GROUP 1	LANGUAGE & LITERATURE	Spanish English	Spanish A Language & Literature (HL-SL) English A Language & Literature (HL-SL)
GROUP 2	LANGUAGE ACQUISITION	French	English B (IB HL) Spanish B (SL)
GROUP 3	INDIVIDUALS & SOCIETIES	Integrated humanities	Business Management (HL-SL) Economics (HL-SL) Global Politics (HL-SL) History (HL-SL) Philosophy (HL-SL) Psychology (HL-SL)
			Social Sciences
GROUP 4	SCIENCES	Biology Chemistry Physics Design (Product Design, Digital Design and Computer Science)	Biology (HL-SL) Chemistry (HL-SL) Physics (HL-SL) Computer Science (HL-SL) Design Technology (HL-SL) Environmental Systems and Societies (SL)*
GROUP 5	MATHEMATICS	Mathematics (6th to 8th grade) (9th & 10th grade: Standard and Extended Mathematics)	Mathematics Analysis & Approaches (HL-SL) Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation (HL-SL)
GROUP 6	ARTS	Music Visual Arts Theatre	Visual Arts (HL-SL) Music (HL-SL) Another subject from Groups 3-4
IB CORE AREAS		Personal Project	Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay and CAS (Creativity, Activity & Service)
PHYSICAL & HEALTH EDUCATION		Physical & Health Education & sports	Physical Education and Sports
RELIGION & PSE		Religious Education Ethics embedded in IB MYP subject areas, religion and advisory	Embedded in the IB Diploma Programme

* DP - ES&S is one of two interdisciplinary courses offered in the Diploma Programme. Students can study this course and have it count as either an individuals and societies or a science course.

ELECTIVES AND VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL IN MYP

In the timetable, students have 2 periods a week for electives:

ART AND DESIGN IN GRADES 6-8	Between grades 6-8, all students are assigned two courses of the arts (Either art, music or theatre). All students take French classes in grades 6-8.
ELECTIVES GRADES 9-10	In 9th and 10th grade, students have six periods in the six-day-cycle for 2 electives. Each elective takes 3 periods in the cycle. Students can take two different electives per year. Electives offered are: Visual Arts, Theatre, Music, Band, Digital Design, Product Design, Computer Science, Creative Writing and French.
VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL	They can replace one of their CCB electives with a Virtual High School course (https://vhslearning.org/). Virtual high school offers more than 200 online, accredited courses for high school students. It offers 24 online Advanced Placement (AP) courses and CCB is an approved AP testing centre (https://vhslearning.org/advanced-placement).

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Field trips, musical presentations and plays, science and reading clubs, cultural programmes, drama productions, Environmental programme, Model UN, National Honor Society, Poetry Festival and are some examples of activities that we offer. Community service events are an important part of the whole school programme involving students, parents and teachers.

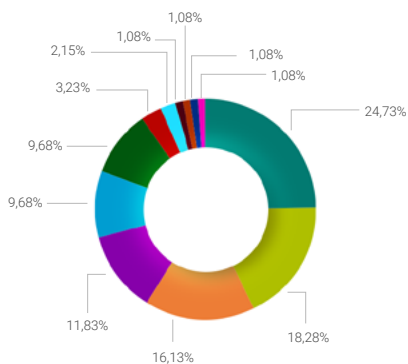
SPORTS: Secondary students participate in the following sports: basketball, soccer, volleyball, table tennis, Olympic gymnastics, skating, judo and swimming. They also play tennis and golf at other facilities. Our teams compete in local, regional and national tournaments. Students regularly represent Colombia at international tournaments.

EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES: Students participate in academic/cultural integration programmes with independent schools in different parts of the world, summer professional orientation courses, international conferences (Round Square and LAHC), exchange programmes and projects from different disciplines provided by Round Square and other schools abroad.

CLASS OF 2023 COLLEGE MATRICULATION

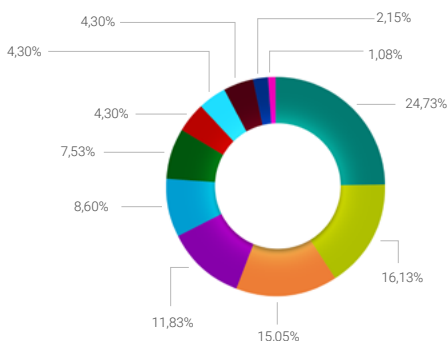
UNIVERSITIES CHOSEN BY THE CLASS OF 2023

COLOMBIA: 52% - ABROAD: 48%



- PUJ CALI (23)
- EUROPE (17)
- USA (15)
- ANDES (11)
- ICESI (9)
- CANADA (9)
- ROSARIO (3)
- AUSTRALIA (2)
- TEC (1)
- PUJ BOG (1)
- SABANA (1)
- BRASIL (1)

DEGREE COURSES CHOSEN BY THE CLASS OF 2023



- BUSINESS MGMT (23)
- ENGINEERING (15)
- HEALTH SCIENCE (14)
- SOCIAL SC & LAW (11)
- SCIENCES (8)
- ECONOMICS (7)
- ARTS & DESIGN (4)
- MARKETING (4)
- ARCHITECTURE (4)
- PSYCHOLOGY (2)
- GASTRONOMY (1)

UNIVERSITIES THAT OFFERED 144 SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE CLASS OF 2023 FOR USD \$6M

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF ROME ITALY	LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSIDAD DE LA SABANA COLOMBIA
ANDERSON UNIVERSITY USA	MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY CANADA	UNIVERSIDAD EUROPEA DE MADRID SPAIN
AUGUSTANA UNIVERSITY USA	MERRIMACK COLLEGE USA	UNIVERSIDAD DE NAVARRA SPAIN
BABSON COLLEGE USA	NABA ITALY	UNIVERSITÀ CATTOLICA DEL SACRO CUORE ITALY
BENTLEY UNIVERSITY USA	NEW YORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY USA	UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA CANADA
BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY USA	NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY CANADA
BOSTON UNIVERSITY USA	P. UNIV. JAVERIANA CALI COLOMBIA	UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO USA
DRAKE UNIVERSITY USA	PURDUE (FORT WAYNE & NW) USA	UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS USA
DUKE UNIVERSITY	QUEENS UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI USA
ESIC SPAIN	RENSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE USA	UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA TWIN CITIES
FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY USA	ROCHESTER INST. OF TECHNOLOGY USA	UNIVERSITY OF OHIO
FORDHAM UNIVERSITY USA	ROLLINS COLLEGE USA	UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY USA	ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER USA
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY USA	ROWAN UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY AUSTRALIA
GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY USA	SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN USA	UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA USA
HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY USA	ST. MARY'S COLLEGE USA	UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO CANADA
HULT INT. BUSINESS SCHOOL LONDON	SCHOOL OF THE ART OF CHICAGO (SAIC) USA	UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA CANADA
INDIANA UNIVERSITY USA	SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA USA
IE UNIVERSITY SPAIN	TEC MONTERREY MEXICO	UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN MADISON USA
JOHN CABOT UNIVERSITY ITALY	TEMPLE UNIVERSITY USA	WILLIAMS COLLEGE USA
LOYOLA MARYLAND UNIVERSITY USA	TRINITY UNIVERSITY USA	WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INST. USA
	UNIVERSIDAD ICESI COLOMBIA	XAVIER UNIVERSITY USA

OTHER UNIVERSITIES THAT ACCEPTED THE CLASS OF 2023

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON USA	PENN STATE UNIVERSITY USA	UNIV.CALIFORNIA BERKELEY, DAVIS USA
CAMOSUN COLLEGE CANADA	P. UNIV. JAVERIANA BOGOTA, COLOMBIA	UNIV CALIFORNIA S. DIEGO - S. BARBARA USA
CANADIAN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & TECH .	UNIV FRANCISCO DE VITTORIA SPAIN	UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO USA
CENTRO DE ESTUDIOS ADM. CESA COLOMBIA	UNIV. CATHOLIQUE DE LYON, FRANCE	UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND USA
CEU CARDENAL HERRERA SPAIN	UNIV. CEU SAN PABLO SPAIN	UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA
DAVIDSON COLLEGE	UNIV. OF NORTH CAROLINA USA	UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN USA
EAFIT, MEDELLIN, COL.	UNIVERSIDAD CAMILO JOSE CELA SPAIN	UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME
ECOLE DU LOUVRE FRANCE	UNIVERSIDAD DE LOS ANDES COLOMBIA	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA USA
EMILY CARR INSTITUTE CANADA	UNIVERSIDAD DEL CAUCA COLOMBIA	UNIVERSITY OF SYRACUSE USA
ESADE SPAIN	UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE COLOMBIA	UNIVERSITY OF TILBURG NETHERLANDS
ESIC MADRID, SPAIN	UNIVERSIDAD LIBRE COLOMBIA	UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE NETHERLANDS
FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE AUSTRALIA	UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA CANADA
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY USA	UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA CANADA	WESTERN UNIVERSITY CANADA
MONASH UNIVERSITY AUSTRALIA		WILLIAMS & MARY COLLEGE



COLOMBO BRITÁNICO SCHOOL



SCHOOL CODES

IB Code: 000033
(International Baccalaureate Organization).

SAT Testing Center: 85112
PSAT-AP Testing Center. CB Code: 925685
(College Entrance Examination Board).

UCAS Code: 45594
(Universities and Colleges Admissions Service-UK).

CIS Code: COLCOL
(Council for International Schools).

NIT 890 300 652-9
(National Administrative Department. of Statistics).

DANE Code: 376001002279
(National Administrative Department. of Statistics).

ICFES Code: 016774
(Colombian Institute for the Promotion of Higher Education).

Member of other organizations:
AAACBI: Andean Association of IB Schools
ASOBILCA: Bilingual Schools Association of Cali
LAHC: Latin American Heads Conference
NHS: National Honor Society
RS: Round Square

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