

IS YOUR PROFILE COMPELLING?

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Why are EXTRA-CURRICULAR activities important?

High school students eager to stand out in the college application process often participate in a litany of extracurricular activities hoping to strengthen their chances of admission.

The college admissions team carefully considers the application with attention to extracurricular activities. It is an accepted concept that the quality of a college hopeful's extracurricular activities matters more than the number of activities the student participates in. The accomplishments in an activity provide a framework for understanding the student's holistic development.

The admission team typically seek students with significant extracurricular accomplishments in addition to strong academic credentials.

Some ways to distinguish oneself in the college admissions process include winning awards in competitions, getting elected to leadership positions, producing compelling research or beautiful art and performing meaningful community service. Hence, the students must participate in activities that will help them clarify their career goals and guide them toward the undergraduate degree program that's the best fit.

“We are not looking at just the student's academic record, although that's important,” says Drew Riley, associate dean of admission for Colgate University in New York. Generally, Riley says he's looking for students who will contribute to university life beyond the classroom.

In addition to the popular school activities, high school students who undertook a personal project often impress colleges because their commitment to a successful solo initiative conveys self-discipline and creativity.

High school students who have had a strong positive influence on their community through an extracurricular activity successfully demonstrate a conscious student who is future-ready. The admissions team analyses if a student identified a gap in the community and went on to creatively solve the problem. The activities must display the grit necessary to succeed both academically and professionally.

Essentially, the admission team is looking for a combination of intelligence and discipline in the student that must reflect through their academic performance and their unique set of extracurricular activities.

What looks good on a university application?

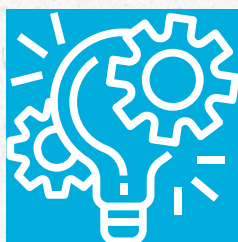
Academics are an important part of the application, but admissions also want to know what you're like outside the classroom. The Activities section of the application offers the Admissions Committee a glimpse into what excites you, what you're PASSION about, what responsibilities you have at home, and some of the ways you're CONTRIBUTING to your community.

Analysing different components



COMPETITIONS WON & AWARDS GRANTED

The proof of a dedicated student relies on the fact as to whether or not they have received accolades. From the awards in school to chess competitions and science prizes, attempt to showcase achievements and it demonstrates endurance, application, skill, and how you face competition. The recognition received is a tool for the admissions team to gauge your expertise and correlate it to what you would accomplish at the university



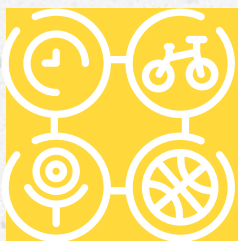
PROJECT UNDERTAKEN

Projects undertaken both at school and outside is a great way to show that you have what it takes to see a big project through to its end. It is a tool for admissions to gauge whether or not you are ready for the extra academic work that is expected at the university. A relevant project also demonstrates your extended knowledge of the subject. A community project demonstrates your involvement in the community and your sense of responsibility. It shows that you would be a responsible citizen in the future that reflects well on their university.



INTEREST BEYOND THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

The universities strive to see is your interest in the world beyond the classroom. If everything has been spoon-fed to you by your subject teachers, it will be difficult for universities to think of you as someone who will thrive with the independence that universities offer to your studies. The ability to talk about things beyond the walls of the classroom is crucial. Use the activities section to show your interests outside the classroom and your determination to excel in it.



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Taking part in clubs, sports teams, and activities with others is very important to mention on your application form. The activities distinguish you from other applicants and also reflect on the skills that you have honed by pursuing those activities. The activities illustrate relevant skill sets hence is an important aspect for the admissions team to consider.

COLLEGE PLANNING

PLAN THE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

PSAT
Portfolio - Arts/Music
Olympiad

GRADE 11 EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Communication Skills - MUN/Debating
- Writing Skills - Publications/Magazine
- Sports - School/National/International
- Hobby - School/Outside
- Community Service - 40 Hours
- Internship - Summer & Winter Break
- Additional Courses - Edx/Coursera
- Workshop - Academic
- Business Idea - Self Design Project
- Social Media Platform - Social Work
- Fund Raiser

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

SAT - 2nd attempt May-June
ACT - 2nd attempt April - June
Advanced Placement Subjects - May
Advanced Courses - Course relevant
Research project - Complete and Publish
Portfolio - Arts/Music

GRADE 12 (SEPT - JAN) EXTRA - CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Sports National/International
- Business Idea - Design Project
- Research Project - Submit and publish
- Fund Raiser

GRADE 10 EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Communication Skill Building - MUN/Debating/Theatre
- Leadership Building - Sports/Hobby
- Sports - School/National/International

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

SAT - 1st attempt Oct-Dec
ACT - 1st attempt Sept- Dec
Advanced Placement Subjects - May
Advanced Courses - Course relevant
Research project - Identify and Begin
Portfolio - Arts/Music

GRADE 12 (MARCH - AUGUST) EXTRA - CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Sports National/International
- Communication Skills - MUN/Debating
- Writing Skills Publications/Magazine
- Hobby - School/Outside
- Community Service - if not done 40 hours
- Internship - Summer Break
- Additional Courses - Edx/Coursera etc
- Workshop - Academic
- Business Idea - Self Design Project
- Social Media Platform - Social Work
- Fund Raiser

You can share your interests and who you are outside of the classroom in the activities section. You can share information about things like work, hobbies, clubs, and community engagement. And don't forget, family responsibilities can be important to share as well. This is the place to show colleges what makes you unique.

ACTIVITY SHEET CHECKLIST

ACTIVITY	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Academic Advanced Courses	Certificate	Certificate	Certificate
Art/Dance/Music	Professional Certificate	Professional Certificate	
Athletics	School/Nationals	School/Nationals	School/Nationals
Business Project/ Career Oriented		Ideate & Launch	Project Report
Journalism/ Publication	Pursue	Publish	Publish
Community Service Volunteer	Summer/Winter 2-4 weeks	Summer 2-4 weeks	
Debate/Speech	Pursue	Pursue	Pursue
Summer School/ Foreign Exchange		Summer 2-4 weeks	Summer Break 2 weeks
Environmental	Certificate	Certificate	
Family Responsibilities	Record	Record	Record
Research		Identify	Publish
Theatre/Drama	Pursue	Pursue	Pursue
Robotics/ Computer Tech	Certificate	Professional Course	Professional Course
Science/Maths Olympiads etc.	Certificate	Certificate	
Student Govt/ Politics	Certificate	Certificate	

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At UCLA we're looking for more than just straight-A students. We seek students with unique stories whose rich experience brings the type of perspective and leadership that we value. UCLA receives the most admission applications of any university in the United States. Our admissions requirements are also among the most selective in the nation – UCLA Admissions

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Admission Review Process at UCLA

Our comprehensive admission review process is based upon the 13 criteria approved by our faculty. These criteria include both quantitative and qualitative, academic and personal accomplishments by the student along with consideration of the context of those accomplishments and opportunities afforded to the student.

The applicant's full record of achievement in college preparatory work in high school This includes the number and rigour of courses taken and grades earned in those courses. We also consider performance in honours, college-level, Advanced Placement (AP), and International Baccalaureate Higher Level (IBHL) courses to the extent that such courses are available to the applicant.

Personal qualities of the applicant

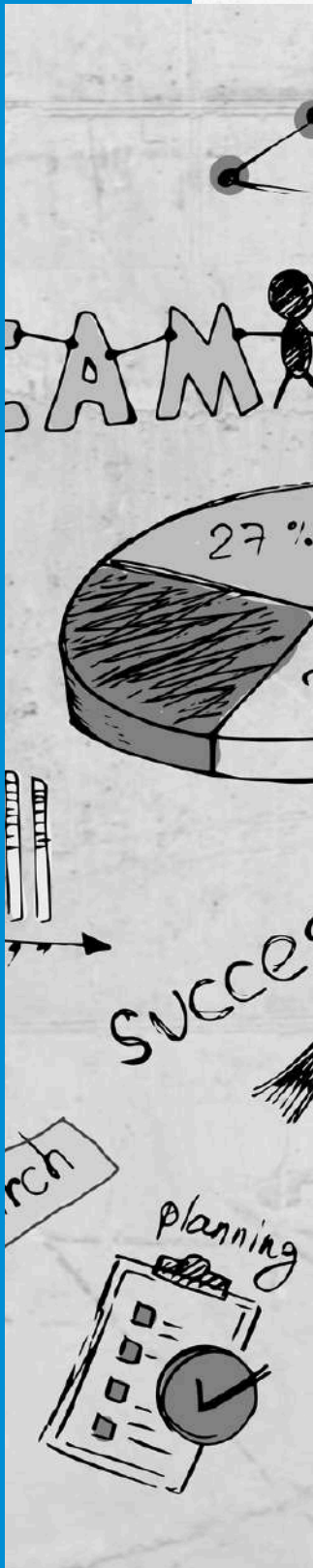
We value leadership ability, character, motivation, tenacity, initiative, originality, creativity, intellectual independence, responsibility, insight, maturity, and demonstrated concern for others and the community. We consider these qualities to be positive indicators of the student's ability to succeed at UCLA and beyond.

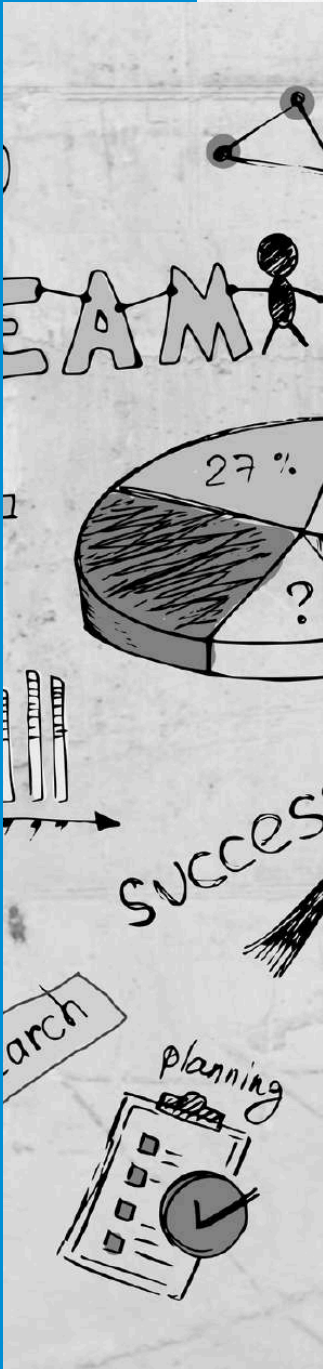
Likely contributions to the intellectual and cultural vitality of the campus

We look for a broad range of intellectual interests and achievements. We value evidence of ability and desire to contribute to the campus, and its diversity.

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Other evidence of achievement

We recognize exemplary, sustained achievement in any field of intellectual or creative endeavour. Examples include accomplishments in the performing arts and athletics; employment; leadership in school or community organizations or activities; and community service.

Opportunities

We consider all achievements, both academic and non-academic, in the context of the applicant’s actual opportunities. When they can, readers compare the achievements of students in the same applicant pool who attended the same high school. These applicants are likely to have similar opportunities to achieve.

Challenges

Some applicants have faced hardships or unusual circumstances. Readers consider the way the applicant has responded to or overcome such challenges. They look for evidence of maturity, determination and insight. Readers also consider other factors that bear directly on the applicant’s achievement. Some of these factors are the language spoken in the home and the parents’ education level.

FALL 2021 FRESHMAN ADMIT PROFILE*

	International	All
Total Number of Applicants	21,862	139,488
Average unweighted GPA	3.96	3.95
Accepted Rate	9%	11%
Average TOEFL	113	N/A
SAT Composite**	1370-1500	1120 - 1420

*Fall 2021 Admit figures as of mid-summer

** Previous Year Data

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EDUCATION COUNSELLING

Education Counselling is done through in-person and offline sessions. The experienced counsellors provide personal advice and counselling to the students to promote an informed choice.

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SKILL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Once the Skill Gap is ascertained a SKILL DEVELOPMENT PLAN is created for the student that allows them a glimpse into what is expected and their journey ahead.

The admissions team looks at each student as a whole package, a combination of talents, interests, passions, and skills. In this way, they look beyond grades and test scores to recruit the most dynamic group of students possible. A wide variety of backgrounds, intellectual passions, and interests make up the typical applicant. The team at IPC, Gulf identifies the activities and academic interests to pursue through the Skill Development Plan that promises to have a positive impact on the admissions team.

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APPLICATION PROCESS

Our experienced team of specialist consultants possesses a comprehensive understanding of academic institutions, current information on the latest developments and a sound understanding of the issues concerning academic, personal and financial matters. Our team provides students with expert and highly informed support in every aspect of their applications to simplify the competitive and complex application process.



College Essays



Documentation



Statement of Purpose



Visa Counselling



Letter of Recommendation



Accommodation

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Why IPC, Gulf?

International Placewell Consultants Gulf is a reputable educational consulting company that has been operating since 2003. We are authorized by the Ministry of Education in Abu Dhabi and KHDA and represent several top-ranked universities worldwide.

Our team of experienced consultants specializes in providing comprehensive guidance on academic institutions, keeping up-to-date with the latest developments and understanding the issues related to academic, personal, and financial matters. We offer personalized support to students through a thorough profiling and individual counselling process, simplifying the competitive and complex application process.

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PROFILE BUILDING

IPC, GULF enables you to build a distinguished profile

Most universities expect the students to indicate their passion and interest in the subject by undertaking projects in addition to their academic requirements. The career exploration activity helps students demonstrate self-awareness and maturity in their undergraduate applications, thus creating the desired distinction in the application.

The EXTRA-CURRICULAR profile needs to be built in addition to enhancing the SKILLSET of the students enabling them to reach the University of their choice.

IPC, Gulf provides several options to the students to ensure that they build an impressive portfolio to create an impactful university application thereby increasing their chances of reaching the desired university.

The experienced team identify and design the activities as per the students' need and interest.

IPC, Gulf undertakes all aspects of university application with personalised attention and mentoring.



Skill Gap

When a student walks in the door, IPC team gets busy understanding the STUDENT's ASPIRATIONS. An honest attempt is made to match the student skill set to the universities, thus arriving at the SKILL GAP.



Roadmap

IPC, Gulf will identify the potential roadmap for the student after evaluating the existing credentials. We help identify the skills and achievements needed to create an enviable profile. To provide a clear view of their journey ahead a REAL TIMELINE and ROADMAP is crafted.



Art Portfolio

IPC, Gulf represents several art colleges and are equipped to guide the students for the Art portfolio. We assist the students to choose the right course and ensure that the portfolio is crafted adhering to the strictest guidelines as set by the universities and colleges.



Counselling

Counselling concentrates on EMPOWERING the students with updated knowledge about career options which are futuristic and one that matches their skill set.



Profile Building

Create a plan and strategy for admissions success with a compelling application showcasing a WORTHY list of Extra-Curricular activities. IPC team helps you identify the right activities that include:

Community Service

Research Paper

Internship / Work

Cultural Activities

Athletics/Sports

Debate/Speech

Publication

Foreign Exchange

Robotics / Coding

Career Orientation

OUR SERVICES

IPC, GULF AT EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

EDUCATION COUNSELLING

Our team of dedicated Counselors help you to PURSUE YOUR DREAMS. Each student is encouraged to think objectively and arrive at a solution that is aligned with their CAREER GOALS.



UNIVERSITY SELECTION

We ensure that the students get the complete information required to make the CORRECT DECISION.



ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Updated with all the changes and requirements we make sure that our students make an INFORMED CHOICE.



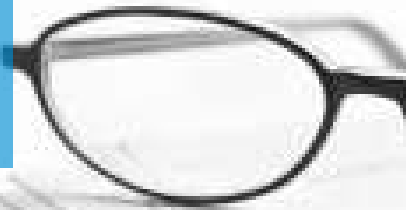
PROFILE BUILDING

IPC, Gulf team prepares the students to undertake several activities that enable a DISTINGUISHED PROFILE aligned with the UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS.



DOCUMENTATION

The student is informed about all documentation Admission & Visa to ensure that the documentation is **ERROR-FREE.**



TUITION FEES

We ensure that the students get the complete information for both Living & Tuition Costs and have no **HIDDEN COSTS.**



VISA COUNSELLING

We keep updated with the ever changing visa rules & regulations to ensure that the visa application is in the **RIGHT FORMAT & ORDER** for the students.

ACCOMODATION

Our team has a **COMPREHENSIVE KNOWLEDGE** about the accommodations for the university and the process for the students. We ensure that the process is done well in time to make the stay **COMFORTABLE & SAFE.**





How do you engage with your community-academic, personal, and social? What personal qualities do you possess that would make you a good fit for our campus? Universities look for students who are eager to follow their interests at the college level and are enthusiastic about joining the campus community.

READY TO APPLY?

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