

# **IBCC FAQs**

## **What is a 'career-related education'?**

Career-related qualifications use different terminology in different parts of the world. They can be described as vocational, professional or technical qualifications and there will be other definitions in different local or national systems.

## **How does the IBCC prepare a student for the future?**

The IBCC prepares students for flexibility and mobility in a range of employment opportunities as well as continuing lifelong learning.

## **What are the aims of the IBCC?**

**The IBCC has four aims.**

- A) Providing a more inclusive provision for students aged 16-19,
- B) Responding to the IB's mission statement and extending the influence of international education,
- C) Filling a gap in international education,
- D) Reducing the 'academic versus vocational' divide.

## **What do students receive on completion of the IB Career-related Certificate (IBCC)?**

If completed successfully, students will receive From the IB the IB career-related Certificate (IBCC) as well as a statement of results. Additionally they will receive a certificate from the awarding body of the career-related qualification

## **Why should students choose the IB Career-related Certificate (IBCC)?**

The IBCC provides an opportunity for more students to benefit from an IB education. The approach of blending local and international elements is an excellent solution to allow local economic, cultural and educational choices to be made according to the local or national context. Similarly, such a flexible framework will create a dynamic network of internationally minded schools sharing a vocabulary and educational aims for lifelong learning and responsible citizenship, collaborating to develop a truly international educational experience for their students.

## **What are the advantages to University entry of doing IBCC rather than two IB Diploma Programme courses?**

The IBCC is a holistic qualification framework in its own right and the incorporation of the IBCC core gives greater overall value to the student. The IB expects this to be reflected in a slightly higher credit or tariff for the whole IBCC rather than two DP certificates alone. The value to the student in application to further or higher education is the linkage with a career-related qualification which, if passed to an appropriate standard or grade, will add further credit or tariff for the student's application to the further learning of his/her choice.

## **Is the IBCC recognized by universities?**

The IB is currently applying to the UK education regulator for accreditation. The IB will consult with schools in every country on the requirements of their national education framework and apply for accreditation or approval as required.

## **What sort of school can offer the IBCC?**

Any IB World School authorized to offer the Diploma Programme can apply to offer the IBCC. The IBCC is likely to be very popular in where there is usually a history of offering a career-related course.

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