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KSAT encourage event

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IBDP Final Exams

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(CHEM) Unit test

Nov 7
KSAT day
Dormitory open house
Fire drill

Nov 8
(KOR) Formative evaluation
(Eng L&L) Written task draft

Nov 11
Training at the UN: Korea submit due
(KOR) Formative evaluation

Nov 12
(MATH) Essay test

Nov 13
(MATH) Essay test

Nov 16
Senior YMS

Nov 17
TOKL

Nov 18
(MATH) Test

Nov 20
(Eng) IOP

Nov 22
(Eng L&L) Written task final draft
(TOK) Essay draft

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2013 Global Youth Forum Korea

Nov 25
Class evaluation survey
(Eng Lit) Written task
(Eng B) Written assignment (~27)

Nov 27
(CHEM) Unit test
(CAS) Completion due

Nov 29
(Eng B) Written task

COLOR CODES

Purple = Pre DP
Blue = DP1
Red = DP2
Green = All Grades
Sky Blue = All Grades
(outside activity)

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- **The 10th Youth National Assembly of the Republic of Korea**

What Suggest the policy to keep peaceful relationship between North and South Korea

When 1st December 1st, 2013 Sun. am 9:30 ~
2nd December 22nd, 2013 Sun. am 9:30 ~

Where Seoul Youth hostel conference room

How <http://www.youthassembly.or.kr>, in order of application

- **2013 Global Youth Forum Korea**

What Debate, progressed by 3 language field (Korean, English, Chinese)

When November 23rd, 2013 Sat

Where Chungnam university

How <http://www.globaleducation.or.kr/>, application due October 25th, Fri. ~ pm 6:00

- **Global Leader Training at the UN: Korea**

What International education program of the UN

When January 24th, 2013 ~ February 2nd, 2013

Where Headquarter of the UN at Geneva, Swiss

How Submit English essay, English public certification test score due to November 11th 2013, <http://gleader.or.kr>

- **Senior YMS (Youth Model Summit)**

What Debate upon a multitude of international issues from the structure of G20 Summit

When November 10th, 16th~17th, 2013. Sat. Sun.

Where Incheon, Songdo Convensia

How <http://summit.ktet.org/apply/apply012.html>
due to October 17th, 2013

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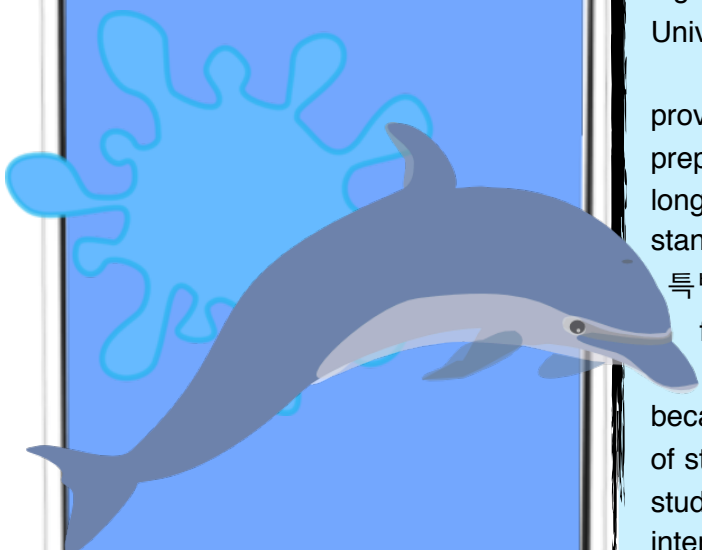


HOW TO SURVIVE IN THE IB

The Korean University Interview

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I'm sure that there are many of you in GAFL who are thinking of applying to university in Korea. This time of the year (September to November) is when students mostly worry about university interview. If you have already finished writing personal statement and other evidential documents, now is the time for you to make specific preparation for the interview. Not only for the Dp-2 students, but also for all others including pre-dp & dp-1, it would be useful to know how the interview is practiced in Korean universities.

Interview indicates face-to-face oral examination that allows the interviewer and the university to know the interviewee's potential intelligence and capability that cannot be assessed by the transcript of school record. The basic types of interview can be dichotomized into two, which are the interview of elementary ability (ordinary interview) and interview of academic aptitude (interview with more depth).

The interview of elementary ability looks at the personal information, motives for application, values that students have and academic plans for future. All of these information are used as a supplementation for the transcript of school records and documents that you have submitted to school. At times, the interviewer asks questions for knowledge of subjects based on the subject of the major that you apply for in order to verify the school activities and contents written in personal statement. This form of interview are in Seoul National University's admission for regional balance (지역균형 선발 전형), Sogang University's admission for high achiever in school life (학교생활 우수자 전형), and Hanyang University's admission for high academical achiever.

On the other hand, the interview of academic aptitude provides a question for the interviewee given 20 minutes to prepare for the answer that needs to be about 6 to 10 minutes long. This type of interview is in Seoul university's admission standard (일반 전형) and Koreyo university's special admission (특별전형 국제 인재) Ihwa women's university's admission for future oriented intellect (미래 인재 전형).

At the past interview was considered not very important because it was like a conversation that did not affect the selection of students but nowadays it is partaking a significant role to select students. So we will now look at one of the 2013 main universities' interview postscripts.

- Koryeo University special admission (international intellect)

Koryeo University gathers the students by the unit of recruitment. In the order of examinee's number, 3 groups are made (1,2,3groups). In front of the interview place, interviewee has to wait for 12 minutes. At this time students should read the given question and prepare for it. The waiting room's atmosphere is most of the times, very comfortable. To prevent cheating, you have to be escorted by a teacher when you go to the bathroom. In the interview place there are 2 professors (interviewers) and the clock is set so that only interviewers could see. So students should bring their own watch.

2013 sample questions:

1. What do you think about our societies tendency towards multicultural society + personal experience related to multicultural society
2. What would be the solutions to the multicultural societies' inner conflicts? What policy or laws would you set if you were the president?
3. If you were to have multicultural family in the future, how would you educate your children?
4. (Additional question) If your wife/husband is from developing countries?

You are given about 6 minutes to answer. The reactions of professor differ by interviewee but there is mostly no counterclaim and even if you exceed time limit, it is unlikely that the professors will stop you.

Just be careful of these when you are doing the interview!

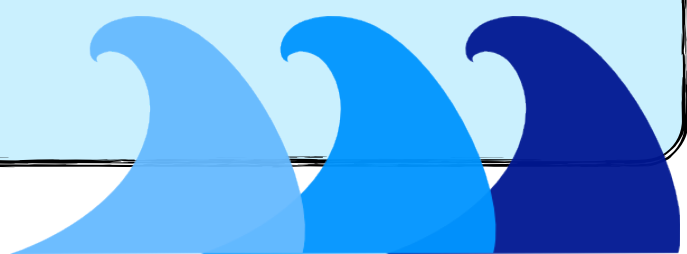
Most students express dissatisfaction because it is very hard to show their capabilities in a short, limited time. However experts who have picked the students for years, say that 6 to 10 minutes of interview is more than enough to know necessary things about the student. This is because your facial expression and even small gestures are considered as well. Therefore polite manner and attitude is very important

Some students who have failed from the interview test say that the interviewers did not ask them lot of questions possibly because they weren't interested at the student. In this case, there are great possibilities that the interviewer thinks you are not as 'good' as the documents and personal statement shows. Mostly when you stutter a lot or give answers off the topic, interviewers will react this way.

On the other hand some students say that they had sweat down their back because the interviewer asked too much questions. In this case, there is a great possibility that the interviewer has positive attention towards the interviewee. Although the submitted documents may not be as good, if they feel depth and sincerity in your answer they will try to measure the potential ability of the students by asking lot of questions.

It is very difficult to get a good result from practice over short period of time. But logical thinking in usual life that allows you to become objectified (unbiased, open-minded) will help you improve. If you are you are scheduled an interview, it means you have already passed the first step, and you are half way there (from the personal statement and documents), so don't get too nervous!

P.S. In some cases your interview schedule might overlap with another. You might have Yonsei University and Koryeo University interview at the same day/same time. So it is important to think about the "opportunity cost" and pick one carefully.





Interview With DP2 Hye-Rim Yi

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1. What is the main difference between DP2 and the other two years of GAFL, IB?

First of all, this is when you truly begin to prepare for the IB finals. You also have to finish your college applications. You have to compile all of the information you've learned and your activities and organize them effectively. Even if you have learned a lot and participated in many activities if you can't effectively organize them they're worthless.

2. Is there anything you would like to advice Pre DP students to do during their first grade of high school or winter vacation?

Please get a head start on Japanese. It is really convenient to have a subject you're confident in and don't have to study for much when you're in DP2. It is also great if you can get some standardized tests done. I was lucky to have finished my tests before DP2 so I could focus on IB and applications

3. What are some advices for current DP1 students about the upcoming last year of IB?

Take some time to organize everything you've done so far. You probably won't be able to add all of your activities to your applications so it's best to figure out which activities are more important to you.

4. What do you think is the most important skill required in taking IB?

I think it is critical thinking. Every single subject requires analytic skills, even science subjects.

5. So far, a lot of DP2 students got accepted by domestic colleges. Why do you think this result was possible?

I think the fact that we were doing the IB program and that we had participated in so many activities outside the classroom gave us an advantage over the other students in normal high schools. Though our *naesin* was comparatively low, the colleges appreciated the rigor of the IB program and favorably regarded our extracurricular.

6. Could you give some tips on self studying?

I personally had to self study for everything since I didn't go to academies. I recommend setting a specific goal right before studying. Okay I'm going to read and understand 10 pages for the next thirty minutes. I personally found that for subjects I was confident in, like literature, it was better for me to solve many questions. However for new subjects like physics, I found it much helpful to read and understand the concepts first. In fact I barely solved any problems for physics before the exams. It's best to try and test out which methods work best for you.

The College Times



Amherst College

Introduction

Amherst College's ranking in the 2014 edition of Best Colleges is National Liberal Arts Colleges, 2.

Amherst College, located in Amherst, Mass., is known for its rigorous academic environment. Amherst is a member of the Five Colleges consortium, which also includes Smith, Mount Holyoke, Hampshire and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Students may take courses at any of these colleges. Amherst offers more than 100 student organizations. Amherst claims to have the oldest athletics program in the nation, along with the third oldest football field. The Amherst Lord Jeffs participated in the NCAA Division III sports in the New England Small College Athletic Conference. The school is also part of the unofficial Little Three athletic conference with Williams and Wesleyan, which has lasted more than 100 years. Freshmen are required to live on campus in one of seven residence halls.

Amherst is an undergraduate college that offers degrees in more than 35 different majors. Amherst, known as the "singing college" has many acappella groups, including the Zumbyes, the Bluestocking, and Route 9, just to name a few. Amherst is also taking great steps to become more sustainable, and it protects 500 acres of open land

and water in its wildlife sanctuary. Notable alumni include former U.S. President Calvin Coolidge, Prince Albert II of Monaco, and former Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court Harlan Fiske Stone.

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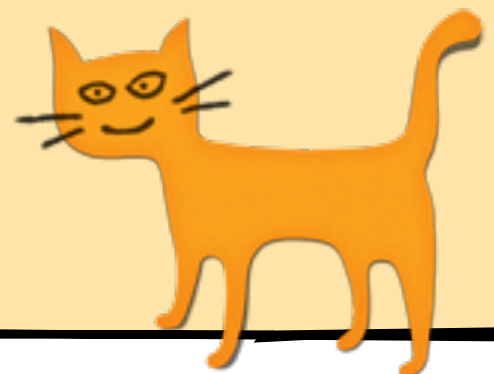


GENERAL FACTS		ENTRANCE INFORMATION	
Website	www.amherst.edu	Admissions Rate	Most Selective
Amherst College	A private institution that was founded in 1821. Its setting is rural, and the campus size is 1000 acres. It utilizes a semester-based academic calendar.	Average SAT Scores of Accepted Students	CR: 730 Math: 740 Writing: 740
Students : Professors	8:1	Average ACT Scores of Accepted Students	Com: 33 / Eng:N/A / Math: N/A
Acceptance Rate	13% (as of Fall 2012)	Early Decision Deadline	November 15th
Early Decision Acceptance Rate	N/A	Regular Decision Deadline	January 1st
Application Fee	\$60	GPA	Minimum 3.5
Degrees Offered	Bachelor's	Tuition + Residence Fees	\$46,574 + \$12,170 (2013~14)
Average Freshman Retention Rate	98%	Total Undergraduate Enrollment	1,817
4-Year Graduation Rate	86%	:)	:)

College Evaluation

	D	D+	C-	C	C+	B-	B	B+	A-	A	A+
Academy	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Sports	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Food	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Dormitory	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Facilities	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Local Environment	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Outside-school Accommodation	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Parking	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Transportation	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										
Weather	[Bar chart showing grade distribution]										

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Services Offered

- ◆ **Basic student services offered**
 - non-remedial tutoring
 - women's center
 - placement service
 - health service
 - health insurance
- ◆ **Campus safety and security services offered**
 - 24-hour foot and vehicle patrols
 - Late night transport/escort service
 - 24-hour emergency telephones
 - Lighted pathways/sidewalks
 - Controlled dormitory access (key, security card, etc.)
- ◆ **Career services offered**
 - on-campus job interviews
 - alumni network
 - internships
 - interest inventory
 - resume assistance
 - interview training
 - career/job search classes
- ◆ **Services for physically disabled students**
 - note-taking services
 - braille services
 - tape recorders
 - special housing
 - tutors
 - interpreters for hearing-impaired
 - talking books

Required documents for college admission

- Application (Common application)
- (Signed Early Decision Agreement) (Early decision applicants only)
- High school academic record

- Amherst Supplement
- Secondary School Report
- Mid-Year School Report
- SAT (only CR and Math considered)/ACT(with essay recommended)
- 2 SAT Subject Tests
- TOEFL(100~)/IELTS(7.5~) (those who have studied over 4 years in U.S. or those who have CR scores over 700 are not required to take these)
- Common Application Essay
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
- (Supplementary Materials/Portfolios) (not required, or essential but those who have prodigious talents in arts may include these) (through <http://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/firstyear/arts>)

Requirements for college admission

Amherst college practices the need-blind financial aid system. Thus, international students who apply for financial aid do not need to worry about having that affect their application in general. International students need to submit CSS Profile and proof of financial aid through College Board until either November 1st (early decision applicants) or February 15th (regular applicants).

(https://www.amherst.edu/offices/financialaid/international_students/appleton)

- Academic GPA
- Application Essay
- Letters of Recommendation
- Rigor of secondary school record
- Standardized Test Scores
- Extracurricular Activities
- Talent/Ability



Williams College

Introduction

Williams College - located in Williamstown, Mass., at the foothill of Mount Greylock in the Berkshire Mountains - is one of the oldest colleges in the country. The school was originally a men's college until 1970, when women were first admitted. The school has many unique student activities, including the semi-annual, school-wide trivia contest and the annual Mountain Day in October when students hike Mount Greylock. The Williams Ephs (named after the school's founder Ephraim Williams) participate in NCAA Division III varsity sports in the New England Small College Athletic Conference. Williams is also part of the unofficial Little Three athletic conference with [Amherst](#) and [Wesleyan](#). The school requires freshmen to live on campus in any of six different residence halls.

Williams College's ranking in the 2014 edition of Best Colleges set by US News is 1. Williams College has three academic branches-languages and the arts, social sciences, and science and mathematics - and graduate programs in history of art and economics. The school also has Oxford-style tutorials, which rely heavily on

student participation. The college is home to many firsts, including the world's first society of alumni, the first to wear caps and gowns at graduation and the first to host an intercollegiate baseball game. The school has a tradition at each graduation to drop a watch from the top of the college chapel. If the watch breaks, tradition holds that the class will be lucky.

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Acceptance Rate	17% (as of Fall 2012)	Early Decision Deadline	November 10th
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Application Fee	\$65	GPA	Minimum 3.5
Popular Majors	Economics, History, English Language and Literature, Psychology, Political Science and Government	Tuition + Residence Fees	\$46,600 + \$12,300 (2013~14)
Average Freshman Retention Rate	97%	Total Undergraduate Enrollment	2052
4-Year Graduation Rate	91%	:)	:)

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