

Teachers and college counsellors: A TEAM

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College ADMISSIONS Counselling

Is BIG Business in the U.S.A.

NACAC has a total of 14000 individual members

Many companies

<http://theivycoach.com/>



What is a college counsellor?

- It is NOT a therapist



College Admissions Counsellor

Can also be the person in a *college or university* who deals with your students' applications



What is a College Counsellor?

A college *admissions* counsellor in an IB school *should* be someone with infinite knowledge about:

- Colleges all over the world and the application process required to get in to a university in Australia, Canada, India, South America, United States; the UCAS system; the English speaking courses in universities in Europe;
- Deadlines for all of the above
- IB requirements for any (every?) university in Europe; the best (or just good) med schools; the best engineering schools; college courses and specialities; entrance requirements (SATs, ACTs, GPA etc); application stats; percentage of applicants to acceptances; locations; dorms; food at the colleges; extracurricular programmes; careers; financial aid possibilities

IB students capabilities; their strength and weaknesses; their grades; their parents' expectations; their family's financial situation . . .

Etc. . . Etc. . . Etc. . .



In other words



Three types of schools

- Big Schools



- Medium Schools



- Small schools



Big schools



- Usually have a CC office of at least two or three people
- One for the US
- One for UCAS
- One for rest of the world
- Know how to make good use of teachers



Medium Schools



Should be

- Building up their CC office
- Consider making it a full time job
- Inviting visits from universities
- Listening to teachers recommendations, advice etc.



Small schools



- No reason they can't have a coherent CC office
- Still need to invite universities to visit
- The CC needs to make full use of the good teachers



You NEED help

Teachers are the people best placed to provide
this



Why

- Teachers know the student
- Parents sometimes need a reality check
- Recommendations
- Can give the cc important insights
- Can (inadvertently) lighten your load



How

- Early conversations (10th grade)
- Updates
- Forms
- Parents



Help

- <http://www.questbridge.org/for-students/cps-counseling> *“We connect the world’s brightest low income students to America’s best universities and opportunities.”*
- <https://www.osc-ib.com/ib-products/professional-development/introduction>



Help

- <http://www.nacacnet.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- <http://extension.berkeley.edu/cert/college.html>
- http://education-portal.com/college_counseling_course.html
- <http://www.admissionsaccomplished.com/>





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Exam wallchart

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