

Academic Bridge Program PROFILE 2017-2018



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ABOUT US

The Academic Bridge Program (ABP), a center of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development, is a premier pre-university program established for high school graduates from Qatar and other countries in the region. The ABP is located in the architecturally stunning, LAS (Liberal Arts and Sciences) building on the campus of Qatar Foundation in Qatar. Since our program was established in 2001, more than 2,800 students (mostly Qatari high school graduates, but also students from over 30 other countries) have graduated from our program. Many have enrolled at one of the universities in Qatar Foundation, at Qatar University, or at universities in the U.S or the U.K. Over 90% of our graduates are admitted to university each year.

ACCREDITATION

The ABP is fully accredited by the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA) in the United States.

MISSION

The mission of the ABP is to provide high school graduates in Qatar with the academic and personal skills for success in reputable English language universities around the world, with special emphasis on preparing students for the universities in Qatar Foundation's Education City.

Currently the universities represented in Education City are Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar, Virginia Commonwealth University in Qatar, Texas A&M University in Qatar, Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar and Northwestern University in Qatar. Many of our graduates are currently enrolled in these six universities.

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FACULTY AND STAFF

The ABP has 6 full time administrators, a counselor, a librarian, 26 faculty members, and 12 support staff members. All of the faculty and administrators have Bachelors

degrees, over 90% have at least one Masters degree, and 7 hold Doctorates. Countries that faculty and staff members are drawn from include Australia, Canada, Egypt, Jordan, India, Ireland, Lebanon, New Zealand, Palestine, Pakistan, the Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Sudan, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

PROGRAM ORGANIZATION

Our one-year program consists of two semesters (August-December, January-May). There are 84 instructional days in the first semester and 81 in the second for a total of 165 instructional days.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The ABP's rigorous academic program provides students with the knowledge and skills required to participate effectively in higher education oriented environments thus enabling them to transition seamlessly from high school to university. The ABP has an American curriculum and the language of instruction is exclusively English. Placement tests are given in English, Mathematics, and Computer Skills to all admitted students. Students are placed in one of three levels based upon placement test results and other indicators of English proficiency: Foundation 1 (F1), Foundation 2 (F2) and Academic English (AE).

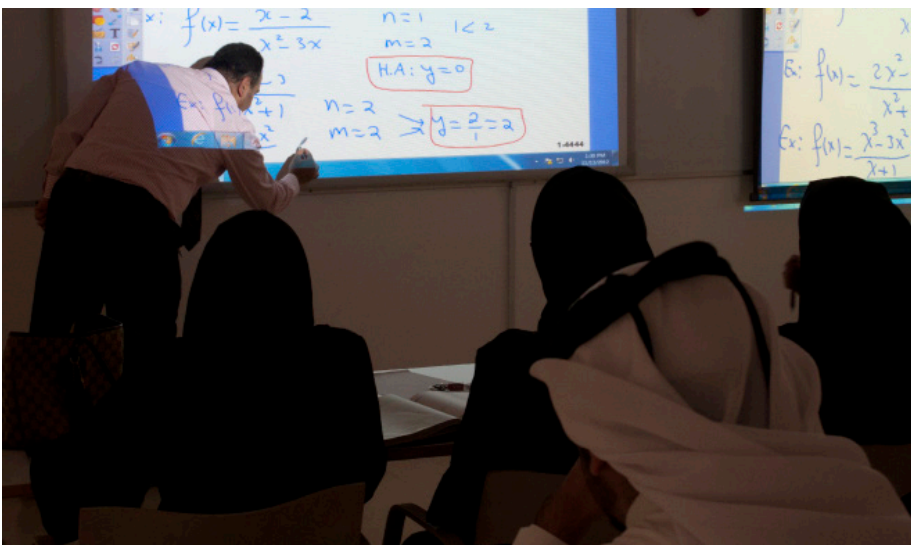
CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

An active and extensive co-curricular program complements the curriculum, and helps to enhance personal and social development. Student clubs and teams that are active this year include Creative writing, Basketball, Football/Soccer, Model United Nations (MUN), Newsletter, Robotics, Science, and a Student Association. In addition to clubs and teams, students are encouraged to participate in multiple community service activities throughout the year.



GRADING POLICY

A	93-100	4.0	Excellent
A-	90-92	4.0	Very Good
B+	87-89	3.67	Very Good
B	83-86	3.33	Good
B-	80-82	3.0	Above Average
C+	77-79	2.67	High Average
C	73-76	2.33	Average
C-	70-72	2.0	Low Average
D+	67-69	1.67	Unsatisfactory
D	63-66	1.33	Unsatisfactory
E	60-62	1.0	Very Poor
F	59 and below	0.0	Failing



GRADE POINT SCALE AND GRADE POINT AVERAGES

The grade point average (GPA) is calculated by dividing the total grade points earned by the total number of credits at the end of each semester.

FAILURE TO MEET GPA EXPECTATIONS

There are three grading/marketing periods in each semester. A student with an average of 70% or less in any marking period or semester may be placed on academic probation. Students on probation for several marking periods maybe referred to the Director's Office to be considered for dismissal from the ABP.

CLASS RANK

The ABP does not calculate class rankings.



COURSE OFFERINGS

ENGLISH

Grammar 1
Grammar 2
Grammar 3
Reading Skills 1
Reading Skills 2
Reading Skills 3
Writing 1
Writing 2
Writing 3
Extensive Reading 1
Extensive Reading 2
Extensive Reading 3
Academic Composition 1
Academic Composition 2
Academic Literature 1
Academic Literature 2
Communications

MATH

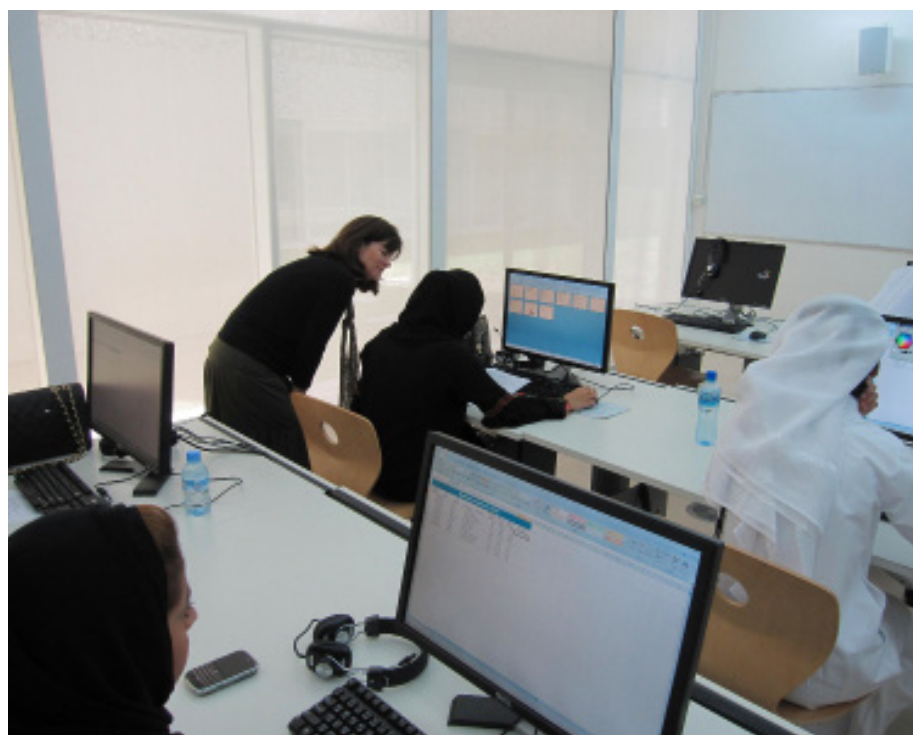
Math for Liberal Arts 1
Math of Liberal Arts 2
College Algebra 1
College Algebra 2
Pre-Calculus 1
Pre-Calculus 2
Calculus 1
Calculus 2

SCIENCE

Science Language & Skills 1
Science Language & Skills 2
Integrated Science 1
Integrated Science 2
Physics 1
Physics 2
Biology 1
Biology 2
Chemistry 1
Chemistry 2

COMPUTERS

Essential Computer Applications 1
Essential Computer Applications 2
Intermediate Computer Applications 1
Intermediate Computer Applications 2
Advanced Computer Concepts and Applications 1
Advanced Computer Concepts and Applications 2
Robotics
Computer Programming



COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

In the past 5 years, ABP graduates were admitted to the following universities.

EDUCATION CITY-QATAR

Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar
 Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar
 Northwestern University in Qatar
 Texas A&M University in Qatar
 Virginia Commonwealth University in Qatar
 Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar
 Hamad bin Khalifa University (HBKU) in Qatar

OTHER UNIVERSITIES IN QATAR

College of the North Atlantic in Qatar
 Community College of Qatar
 Qatar Aeronautical College
 Qatar University
 Stenden University Qatar
 University of Calgary in Qatar

UNITED STATES

Arizona State University
 Colorado School of Mines
 Colorado State University
 Mesa Community College, San Diego
 Ohio State University
 Oregon State University
 University of Colorado, Boulder
 University of Colorado, Denver
 University of Oregon
 University of Michigan
 University of South Florida

UNITED KINGDOM

Cardiff University
 Coventry University
 City, University of London
 King's College London
 Kingston University
 Leeds Metropolitan University
 London South Bank University
 Middlesex University
 Northampton University
 St. George's University of London
 Swansea University
 University College London
 University of Birmingham
 University of Bradford
 University of Central Lancashire
 University of East Anglia
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 University of Portsmouth
 University of Southampton
 University of Sheffield
 University of Surrey
 University Of Sussex

CANADA

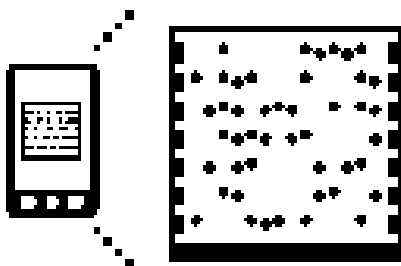
Carleton University
 University of British Columbia
 University of Manitoba
 University of Toronto
 University of Victoria

OTHER COUNTRIES

American University of Paris, France
 American University of Sharjah, UAE
 Gulf Medical University, UAE
 International Maritime College, Oman
 International University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 King Saud University, KSA
 Petroleum Institute of Abu Dhabi, UAE

ABP CLASS OF 2017 TOTAL POST-SECONDARY PLANS

72 Students	Universities in Education City	51%
27 Students	Universities Outside of Qatar (UK, US, World)	19%
10 Students	Universities in Qatar (excluding Education City)	6%
26 Students	Waiting on Application decisions: Plan to Enroll in University in the Fall	18%
7 Students	Consider Other Options	6%
142 Students	(142 Graduates)	100%



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