

PROFILE 2009-2010

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CHARACTERISTICS: The Anglo Colombian School was founded in 1956 to provide students with a bilingual college preparatory education. It is a private, coeducational, non-denominational, international day school based upon the British educational system. It is accredited by the Colombian Ministry of Education, the International Baccalaureate Organization, as well as the Council of International Schools (CIS).

The campus has 17 buildings located on a 29.5 acre site in the northern part of Bogotá. Apart from classrooms, the school has 8 science laboratories, Art, Design and Technology rooms, 3 computer rooms, a gymnasium, 2 cafeterias, 3 libraries, 2 multiple use rooms, a theatre with 550 seats, 1 video room, football fields, sports fields and large green areas. In February 2009 it inaugurated a new 4.700 square meter building that will have 2 auditoriums, 2 music rooms with 5 practice rooms, 3 art rooms, 1 drama salon and 18 classrooms.

The academic year begins the second week of August and finishes at the end of June. The Upper and Lower school day is comprised of six 60-minute lessons. More than 60% of the classes are taught in English. The school year is divided into four bimesters; due to the timing of IB exams, the Senior school year is divided into trimesters.

STUDENT BODY: Present total enrolment is 1782 students, of which 292 have dual nationality and 32 are foreign. There are 836 in Upper and Middle school. All 122 graduates in the class of 2010 will attend university in Colombia, North America, Europe or elsewhere abroad.

FACULTY: The faculty consists of 186 fully qualified teachers of whom 28 are British, including the Rector and Vice-Rector, 21 are of other nationalities and 137 are Colombian. In Upper and Middle school there are 84 subject teachers. All staff members hold a Bachelors degree and a majority a Masters degree from well known higher education institutions.

CURRICULUM: The Colegio Anglo Colombiano has offered the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme since 1980. The Primary Years and Middle Years Programmes of the IB complement and contribute towards the Diploma Programme offered in grades 10 and 11. All courses are college preparatory. All sophomore students (grade 9), are registered for the IB Middle Years Programme certificate. Using these results as a guide, they have the option of choosing 3 subjects at IB Higher Level with an intensity of 5 hours per cycle and 3 at Standard Level with an intensity of 4 hours per cycle. Approximately 80% of the seniors register for the IB Diploma and the rest prepare for obtaining the compulsory IB English A1 or A2 certificate along with any other subject of their choice. Furthermore, the syllabus has been complemented in order to meet with the requirements of the Colombian system of secondary school education and to obtain optimum results on the national college entrance exam, the ICFES.

All juniors and seniors (grades 10 and 11) must complete 36 hours of lessons in a cycle of six days as follows:

- Six IB courses (Any combination of 3 higher and 3 standard level courses) 27 hours
- TOK Theory of Knowledge 2 hours
- Colombian and Latin American Studies 3 hours
- Physical Education 3 hours
- Electives (ICFES, Publications, Model United Nations) 1 hour

CAS: In order to fulfil the IB and Colombian Ministry of Education requirement for Social Service, students participate for a total of 150 hours in a structured programme of projects in education, communication, recreation, sports, and prevention of psychoactive substance abuse in the poverty belts of Bogota.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

HOUSES: The House System is a sound and motivating Anglo tradition. Every student is a member of one of the four Houses: Beatty, Hood, Nelson and Rodney. Competitions in sports, dance, drama, song and recital, as well as debates and general knowledge quizzes are enthusiastically organised by the students themselves, who also enjoy team sports and a variety of clubs.

SPORTS: Boys' and Girls' soccer, basketball, volleyball, gymnastics and athletics teams compete internally as well as with other bilingual schools that are also members of UNCOLI (Union of International Schools). Students regularly participate in national and international tournaments.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS: The Colegio Anglo Colombiano has actively participated in the Model United Nations since 2001. This activity gives the students of the participating schools the opportunity to understand the principles and the work done in this organization and it creates awareness about the importance of Human and International Rights. This activity is offered as an elective in the curriculum for grades 10 and 11 and as an extracurricular activity for students in Middle School. This academic year the school is hosting its third conference of the United Nations (CACMUN).

Round Square:

Since 2007, Colegio Anglo Colombiano has been a member of Round Square, a consortium of schools around the world committed to a philosophy that supports the growth of the "whole person". This philosophy is based upon the Round Square "IDEALS" (an acronym that represents the six pillars around which Round Square schools function): Internationalism, Democracy, Environment, Adventure, Leadership, and Service. The common goal is to develop every student into a whole person through academic, physical, cultural and spiritual experiences.

IB DIPLOMA COURSES OFFERED BY THE SCHOOL:

*Only for May 2010

* *Only for May 2011

	SUBJECT	HL	SL
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Group 1	English A1	x	x
	Spanish A1	x	x
Group 2	English A2	x	x
	Spanish A2	x	x
	French B	x **	
	Spanish B	X*	
Group 3	History of Europe/Middle East	x	
	History		x
	Geography	x	x
	Economics	x	x
	Philosophy	x	x
	ITGS	x	
Group 4	Design Technology		X**
	Biology	x	x
	Chemistry	x	x
	Physics	x	x
Group 5	Mathematics	x	x
	Mathematical Studies		x
	Computer Science		x
Group 6	Visual Arts	x	x
	Music	x	x

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Pass	6.1 - 7.0	Outstanding	A	7	
	5.0 - 6.0	Very Good	B	5-6	
	4.0 - 4.9	Satisfactory	C	4	
Fail	Under 4.0	Underperformance	F	3	

Students ARE accustomed to high academic standards and a competitive atmosphere.

GRADING SYSTEM: This school does not rank its students. Achievement is evaluated on a criteria-referenced qualitative system, based on 1 to 7 levels of achievement similar to the IB. This system provides a comprehensive profile of the student's strengths and weaknesses.

COMPARISON OF EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS:

AGE	ANGLO COLOMBIAN SCHOOL				US		UK		
	ED. SYSTEM				ED. SYSTEM		ED. SYSTEM		
4-5 years	Pre School	Pre	Escolar	Prekinder	Elementary	Pre-kinder	Key Stage	Reception	
5-6 years				Kinder		Kinder		1	year 1
6-7 years				Transition		1 st Grade		2	year 2
7-8 years	Elementary	Primaria	1 st Grade	2 nd Grade	3	year 3			
8-9 years			2 nd Grade	3 rd Grade	4	year 4			
9-10 years			3 rd Grade	4 th Grade	5	year 5			
10-11 years			4 th Grade	5 th Grade	6	year 6			
11-12 years	Lower School	Bachillerato	Básico	5 th Grade	Middle School	6 th Grade	3	year 7	
12-13 years				6 th Grade	7 th Grade	4	year 8		
13-14 years				7 th Grade	8 th Grade	5	year 9		
14-15 years	Upper School	Bach. Superior		8 th Grade	High School	9 th Grade	4	year 10	
15-16 years				9 th Grade		10 th Grade		year 11	
16-17 years				10 th Grade		11 th Grade		year 12	
17-18 years		11 th Grade	12 th Grade	5	year 13				

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED BY THE CLASSES OF 2005-2009

COLOMBIA	
Universidad de los Andes	Bogotá
Universidad Javeriana	Bogotá
Colegio de Estudios Superiores de Administración (CESA)	Bogotá
Universidad Jorge Tadeo Lozano	Bogotá
Universidad de la Sabana	Bogotá
Universidad Nacional	Bogotá
Universidad del Rosario	Bogotá
Universidad de la Salle	Bogotá

OTHER	
Concordia	Canada
Fundación U. del Cine	Argentina
Instituto Marangoni	Italy
James Cook University	Australia
Les Roches School of Hotel Magmt.	Switzerland
Seneca College	Canada
The Sorbonne	France
Universidad de Navarra	España
Universidad de Palermo	Italy
University of Bath	UK
University of Queensland	Australia
University of Southampton	UK

UNITED STATES	
Babson College	(MA)
Columbia University	(NY)
Full Sail University	(FL)
George Washington University	(DC)
Indiana University	(IN)
Northeastern University	(MA)
NY Film Academy	(NY)
Parsons School of Design	(NY)
Princeton University	(NJ)
Purdue University	(IN)
Savannah College of Art and Design	(GA)
University of California-Berkley	(CA)
University of Chicago	(IL)
University of Miami	(FL)
University of New Orleans	(NO)
University of Utah	(UT)
Wentworth Institute of Technology	(MA)

The Colegio Anglo Colombiano develops leadership and offers each student the opportunity to take full advantage of his or her potential