

Frequently Asked Questions



Post Graduate Certificate in IB Education (PGC-IB)

IB Certificate in Teaching and Learning (PYP)

1. What is the Post Graduate Certificate in IB Education (PGC-IB)?

The PGC-IB is a 10-month online program by *I Am A Teacher (IAAT)* that prepares educators to teach through the lens of IB philosophy. It leads to **dual certification**:

1. *Post Graduate Certificate in IB Education* – awarded by IAAT, endorsed by the **University of Melbourne**
 2. *IB Certificate in Teaching and Learning (PYP)* – awarded by the **International Baccalaureate (IB)**
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2. Who is this course designed for?

The program is ideal for:

- Educators transitioning from national or state boards into the IB
 - Educators seeking global opportunities in international schools
 - Teachers returning after a career break who want an internationally recognised qualification
 - Recent graduates looking to deepen their pedagogical perspective
 - Those who love working with children and are exploring a future in teaching
 - Individuals who feel called to education and want a purposeful career
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3. What makes this program unique?

- The program is designed collaboratively by **IAAT**, the **IB**, and the **University of Melbourne**, thus bringing together:
 - Global credibility and recognition
 - Academic rigour
 - Alignment with IB philosophy and intent
 - Human-centered approach
 - Inquiry-based, child-centred pedagogy

4. How will the program be delivered and what are the highlights?

The program is completely online with the following features:

- Weekly live online (synchronous) sessions, inquiry circles, and collaborative design tasks
 - Focus on classroom-based case studies and reflective tasks
 - Practice-based, conceptual assignments
 - Mentorship from experienced IB educators, evaluators and school leaders
 - A curated, thoughtfully sequenced curriculum for depth and clarity
 - Culmination in a professional portfolio demonstrating readiness for the IB classroom
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5. What certifications will I receive after completion?

You receive two coveted credentials:

1. **Post Graduate Certificate in IB Education (PGC-IB)** — IAAT, endorsed by The University of Melbourne
2. **IB Certificate in Teaching and Learning (PYP)** — International Baccalaureate

These are recognised by IB schools worldwide.

6. What are the eligibility criteria?

Applicants must have one of the following:

- **B.Ed. (or equivalent) from a recognised university**
- OR
- **Bachelor's degree in any discipline with a minimum of 3 years of teaching experience**
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7. Do I need prior experience in IB schools?

No, prior IB experience is **not required** to pursue this program. The program is structured to skill educators in IB philosophy, PYP frameworks, inquiry-led classrooms, and assessment practices from the ground up.

8. What will I learn in the program?

The course modules include:

- Curriculum and processes
 - Learning and Teaching
 - Learning and Assessments
 - Professional Learning
 - Mindful Personal Leadership
 - Teaching of Math
 - Teaching of Languages
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9. What are the graduate attributes of PGC-IB educators?

PGC-IB graduates learn to:

- Design with thoughtfulness and conceptual clarity
 - Facilitate inquiry with openness and curiosity
 - Assess with integrity and purpose
 - Engage in reflective practice and community learning
 - Lead with mindfulness and presence
 - Teach responsively to create inclusive classrooms
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10. Does the program include practical exposure?

Yes, a minimum of 50 hours of practice in an IB school is required as part of the program. The program also included components like micro-teaching to build confidence for real classrooms.

11. What career opportunities does PGC-IB unlock?

PGC-IB graduates can pursue roles in leading IB, Cambridge, and progressive schools in India and abroad.

Alumni of IAAT's programs are teaching at some of India's most respected schools, including Shiv Nadar School, The Shri Ram School, Heritage Schools, Pathways, American School of Bombay, B.D. Somani, Ascend International School, JBCN, Oberoi International, and many more.

12. How is this program different from generic IB training?

Unlike short workshops, the PGC-IB offers:

- Deep, structured learning aligned with IB intent
 - Sustained mentorship from veteran IB educators to support a mindset shift
 - Reflective, human-centred pedagogy
 - A strong portfolio on program culmination, demonstrating competence
 - Endorsement from the University of Melbourne, a top-ranked global university (No.19 in the World and No.1 in Australia)
 - Certification by IB itself (exempting you from Category 1 training for IB educators)
 - A balance of philosophical grounding and practical strategies
 - Access to a network of alumni working with top IB schools
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13. Is the certificate internationally recognised?

Yes. The **IB Certificate in Teaching and Learning (PYP)** is recognised by IB schools in **160+ countries**.

I Am A Teacher's certification, endorsed by the University of Melbourne, adds academic and global credibility.

14. Will I receive placement support?

Yes, IAAT provides comprehensive placement support:

- Expert guidance for resume & portfolio building
- Interview preparation and counselling
- Access to IAAT's placement network
- Recommendation for suitable IB roles

Previous IAAT batches have consistently had a high placement success rate of 90 per cent plus.

15. Can I pursue this course while working full-time?

Yes, the program is designed for working educators and professionals and is delivered in flexible, thoughtfully paced online sessions over weekends.

16. What is the application process?

- Step 1- Submit an online application form (<https://forms.gle/WM3frdphRMy1SJSEA>)
- Step 2- Online language proficiency and comprehension evaluation
- Step 3- Interaction/interview with IAAT faculty members
- Step 4- Review of eligibility and performance in earlier steps
- Step 5- Admission result declaration
- Step 6- In case selected, payment of the registration amount and enrolment

17. What documents would be required to be furnished at the time of enrollment?

The following documents would be required:

- Aadhar card
- Graduation marksheet and certificate
- Post Graduation marksheet and certificate (if applicable)
- B. Ed. or equivalent qualification marksheet and certificate (if applicable)
- Experience letter from the school or educational institution where you were employed, to verify years of teaching experience (if applicable)

18. When does the next cohort begin?

Next cohort begins in July 2026

19. Are session recordings provided?

No, session recordings are not provided, and attendance for all sessions is strongly recommended to make the most out of the programme.

20. What is the requirement with respect to attendance?

90 per cent attendance is mandatory, and the certification is dependent on the same.



21. What would be the language for instruction?

The program would be delivered in English, and all tasks and assignments would also be in English.

22. What are the hardware and software requirements to pursue the programme?

A laptop or desktop would be required for the synchronous sessions. A functional camera and microphone on the device being used is a mandatory requirement.

The sessions would be on the Zoom platform, and session links would be provided to you in advance. An IAAT email ID would also be created for learners, and all reading materials, reflections, tasks and assignments would be shared through Google Classroom, which will be created for each batch of this programme.

23. How can I connect for more information?

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