Tianna Tu Bio

What year did you graduate from CHS? 2010

Where do/did you attend/graduate from college?

University of Utah, University of Utah School of Medicine Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

What is your current career?

Resident OBGYN physician at The University of Alabama at Birmingham. Was previously a Senior Health Policy Consultant at Leavitt Partners (now Health Management Associates).



How did taking IB classes and/or graduating with an IB certificate or diploma help you be prepared for your college experience?

The IB curriculum helped me develop critical thinking skills, resilience, and an open-minded perspective of solving problems and experiencing the world. As a Diploma graduate, I was able to earn college credit towards my Bachelor's degree, which gave me more freedom to explore courses during my freshman and sophomore year. However, I think the most valuable aspect of my IB experience was helping me develop an open-minded perspective and strategic thinking skills. I have had the opportunity to compete on a national-level for various scholarships that have historically been awarded to students with a private school education and deep pedigree of professional degrees within the family. As a first generation student, I owe much of my success with competitive scholarships, jobs, internships, volunteer positions, and community positions because of the foundational life skills I learned as an IB Diploma student.