

The Value of CSEC® and CAPE® to Candidates

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Presentation Overview



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Background and Purpose

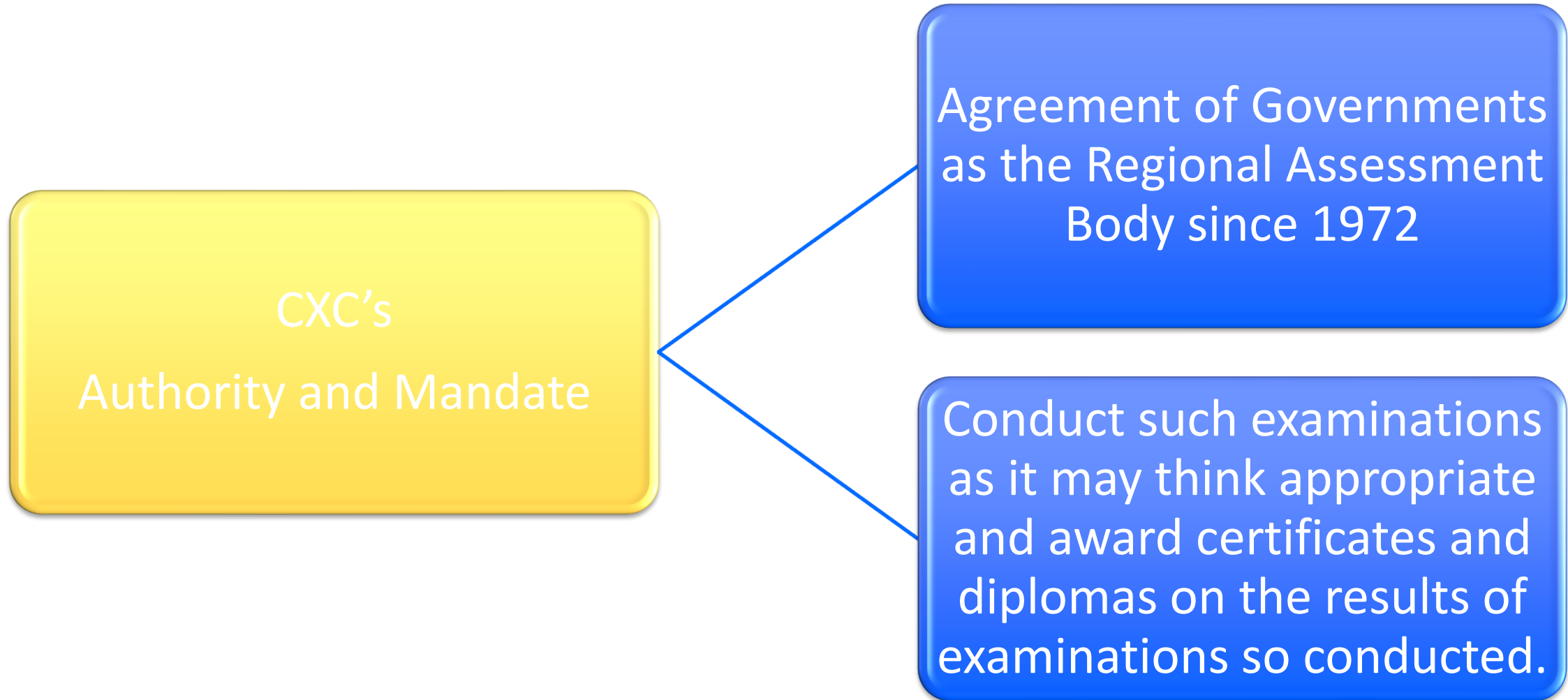
System of Examination and Grading

Qualifications Impact

Diploma and Associate Degrees

Recognition and Articulation

Background and Purpose



Participating Countries (16)



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Antigua & Barbuda



Cayman Islands



Montserrat



Trinidad & Tobago



Anguilla



Dominica



St. Kitts & Nevis



Barbados



Grenada



St. Lucia



Belize



Guyana



Turks and Caicos Islands



British Virgin Islands



Jamaica



St. Vincent and the Grenadines

Vision



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- To assure the **global competitiveness** of the **Caribbean** through the assurance in our **certificates** of **quality** **educational** **performance** **and** **diversity**

Economic Value Proposition
– **Enhanced Human Capital Development**

Our Mission



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- To provide the region with:

- **syllabuses of the highest quality; valid examinations; and certification** of international relevance, abilities and interests;

- **services** to education and the development of **syllabuses, examinations and administration.**

Next Generation
Assessment and
Certification Services

Strategic Imperative



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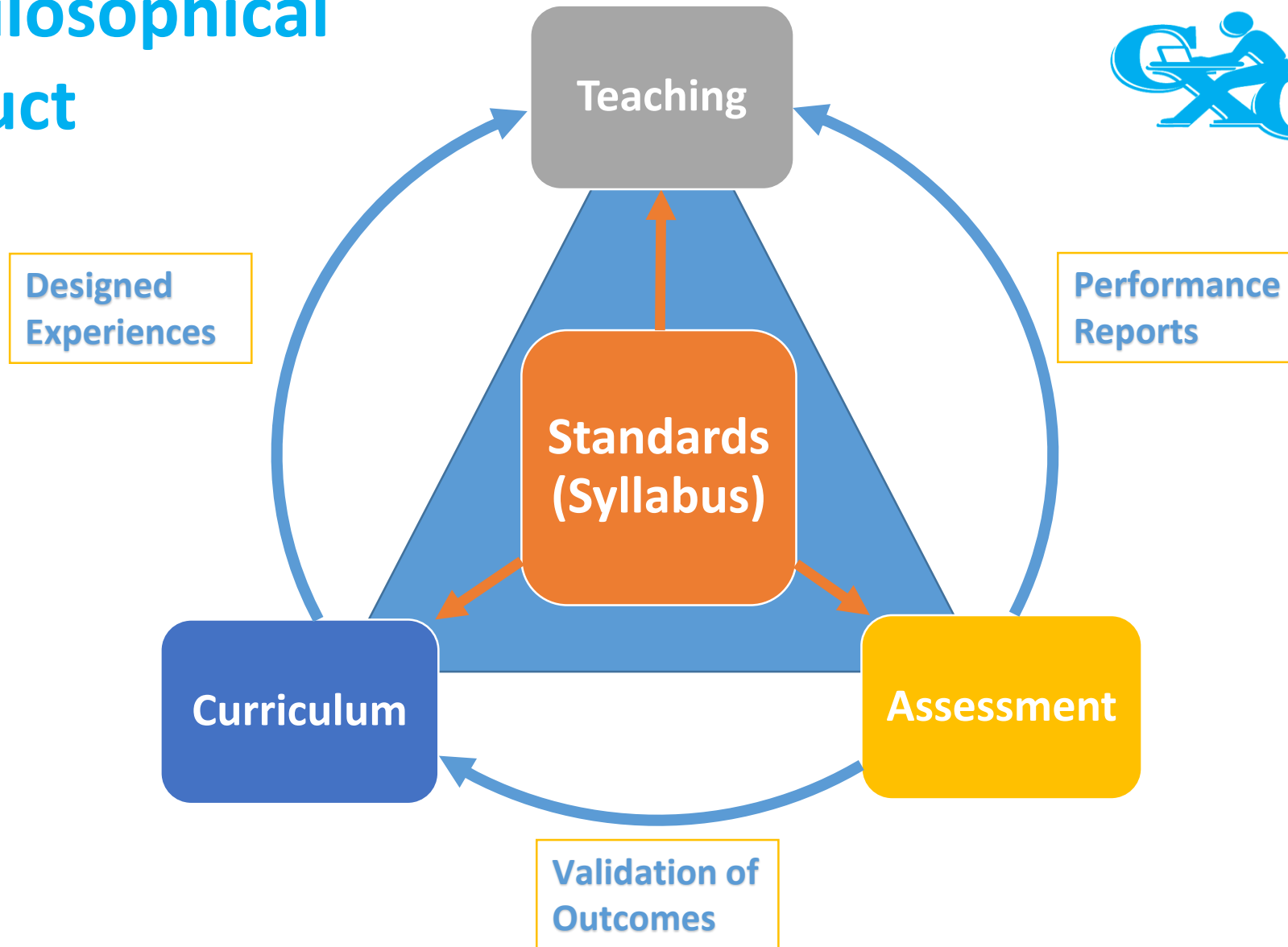
Human Capital
Development

Enhanced
Economic
Competitiveness
of the Region

The Philosophical Construct



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Criterion Referenced VS Norm Referenced

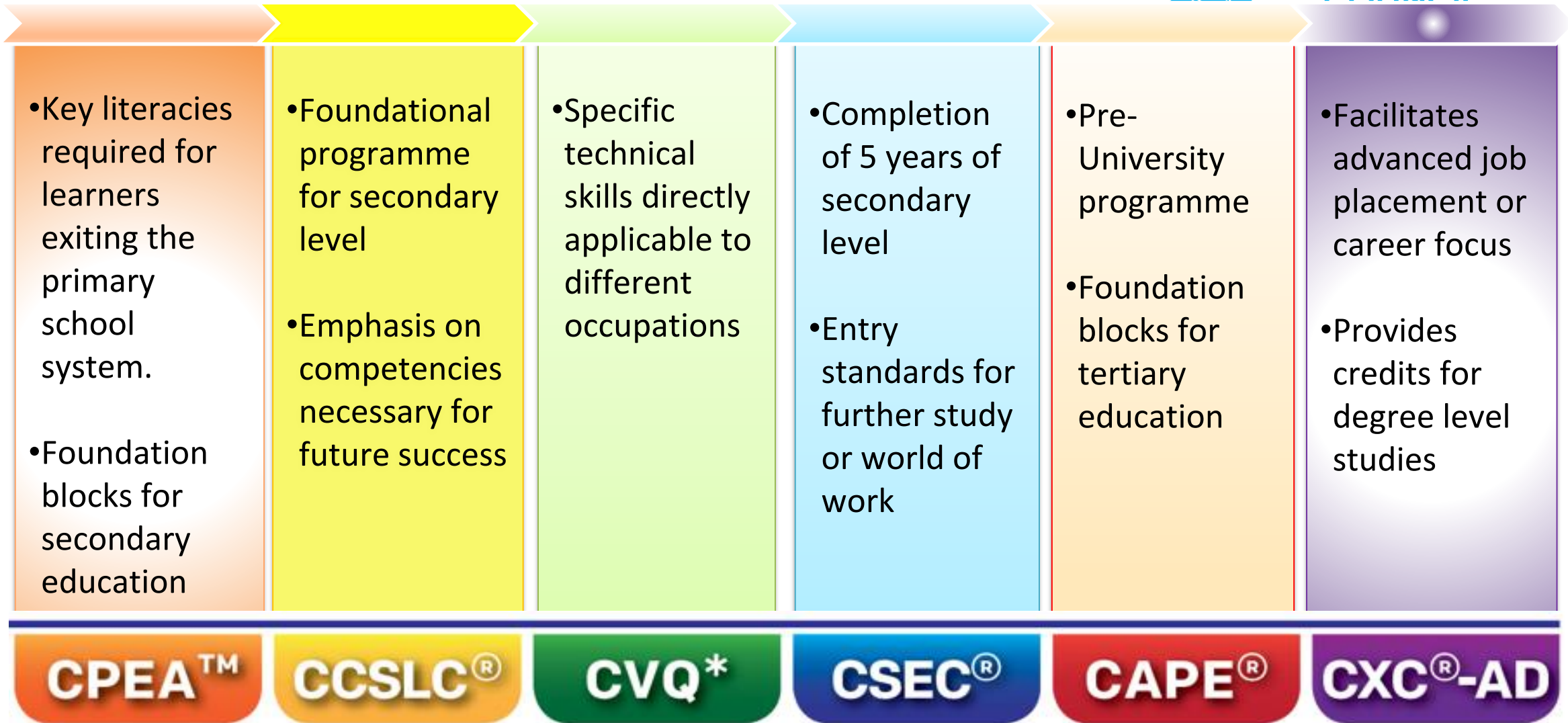
At CXC, we develop criterion referenced assessments. Performance is measured against specific objectives, set criteria or standards.

Unlike norm-referenced, we do not measure against the cohort.

CXC's Suite of Products



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CSEC[®]

1. Profile grades (Knowledge, Skills and Attitude)

- i. A – Outstanding
- ii. B – Good
- iii. C – Fairly Good
- iv. D – Moderate
- v. E – Weak
- vi. F – Poor

2. Overall grade

- i. Grades I – III recognized as acceptable grades

CSEC® Grading System

Grade I

- Shows **COMPREHENSIVE** grasp of concepts, knowledge, skills and competencies

Grade II

- Shows **good** grasp of concepts, knowledge, skills and competencies

Grade III

- Shows **fairly good** grasp of concepts, knowledge, skills and competencies

Grade IV

- Shows **moderate** grasp of concepts, knowledge, skills and competencies

Grade V

- Shows **limited** grasp of concepts, knowledge, skills and competencies

Grade VI

- Shows **very limited** grasp of concepts, knowledge, skills and competencies

CSEC General Proficiency

- Offers Candidates deeper understanding of the topics covered in the subject
- Designed for learners who are likely to pursue studies in the subject beyond the secondary level

CSEC Technical Proficiency

- Candidates with Technical Proficiency will have the skills and knowledge to pursue tertiary education or to be employed at the pre-technician level

CAPE[®]

1. Modularized 1 and 2 Unit Courses

- i. A 1-Unit course consists of three modules
- ii. A 2-Unit course consists of six modules

1. Overall grade

- i. Grades I – V recognized as acceptable grades

CAPE® Grading System

Grade I

- Shows **EXCELLENT** grasp of principles, concepts and skills

Grade II

- Shows **very good** grasp of principles, concepts and skills

Grade III

- Shows **good** grasp of principles, concepts and skills

Grade IV

- Shows **satisfactory** grasp of principles, concepts and skills

Grade V

- Shows **acceptable** grasp of principles, concepts and skills

Grade VI

- Shows **limited** grasp of principles, concepts and skills

Grade VII

- Shows **very limited** grasp of principles, concepts and skills

CSEC[®] Impact

CSEC® Subjects



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1. Additional Mathematics
2. Agricultural Science (DA)
3. Agricultural Science (SA)
4. Biology
5. Caribbean History
6. Chemistry
7. Clothing and Textiles
8. Electrical and Electronic Technology
9. English A
10. Economics

11. Geography
12. Information Technology
13. Integrated Science
14. Mathematics
15. Office Administration
16. Physics
17. Principles of Business
18. Principles of Business
19. Social Studies
20. Spanish

CSEC® Subjects



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- 21. Building Technology – Construction
- 22. English (B)
- 23. Building Technology – Woods
- 24. Electronic Document Preparation and Management
- 25. Food and Nutrition
- 26. French
- 27. Home Economics Management

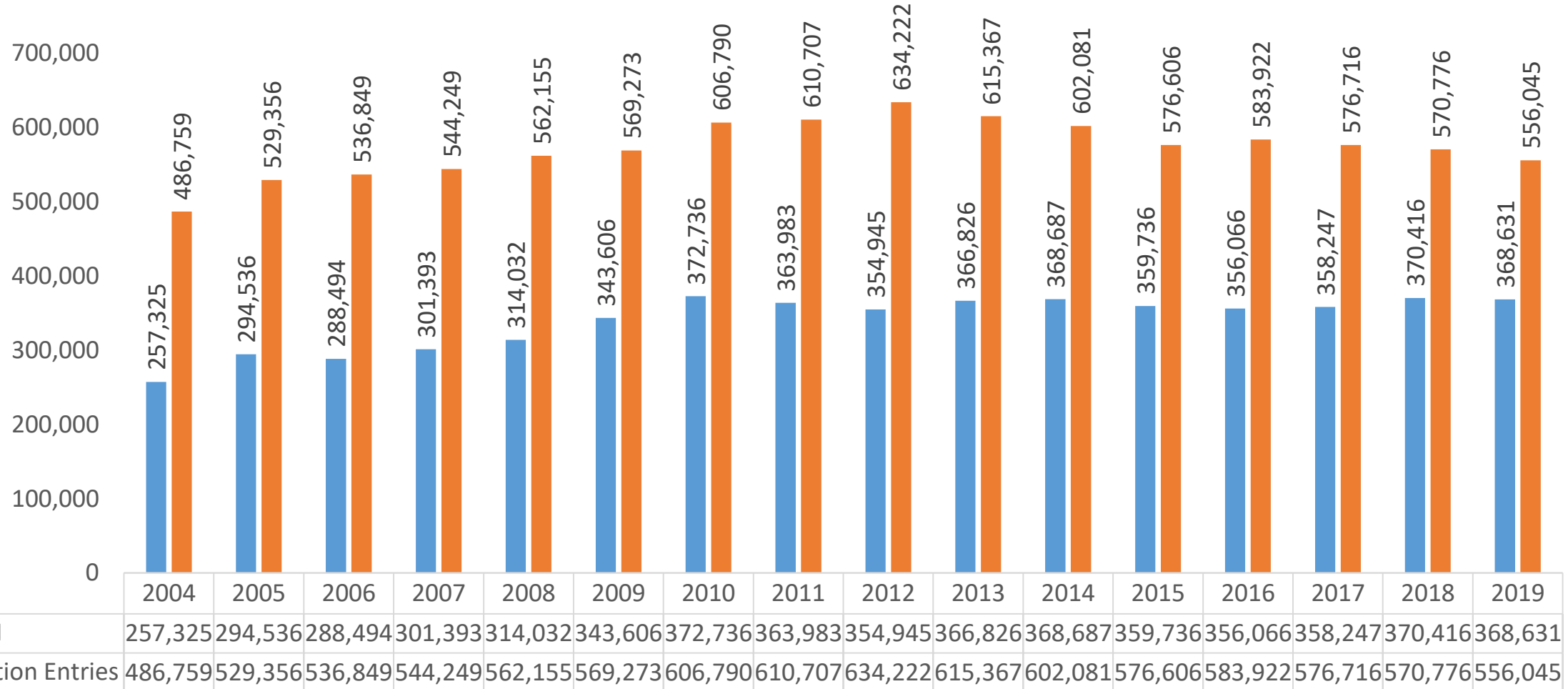
- 28. Human and Social Biology
- 29. Mechanical Engineering Technology
- 30. Music
- 31. Physical Education and Sport
- 32. Religious Education
- 33. Technical Drawing
- 34. Theatre Arts
- 35. Visual Arts

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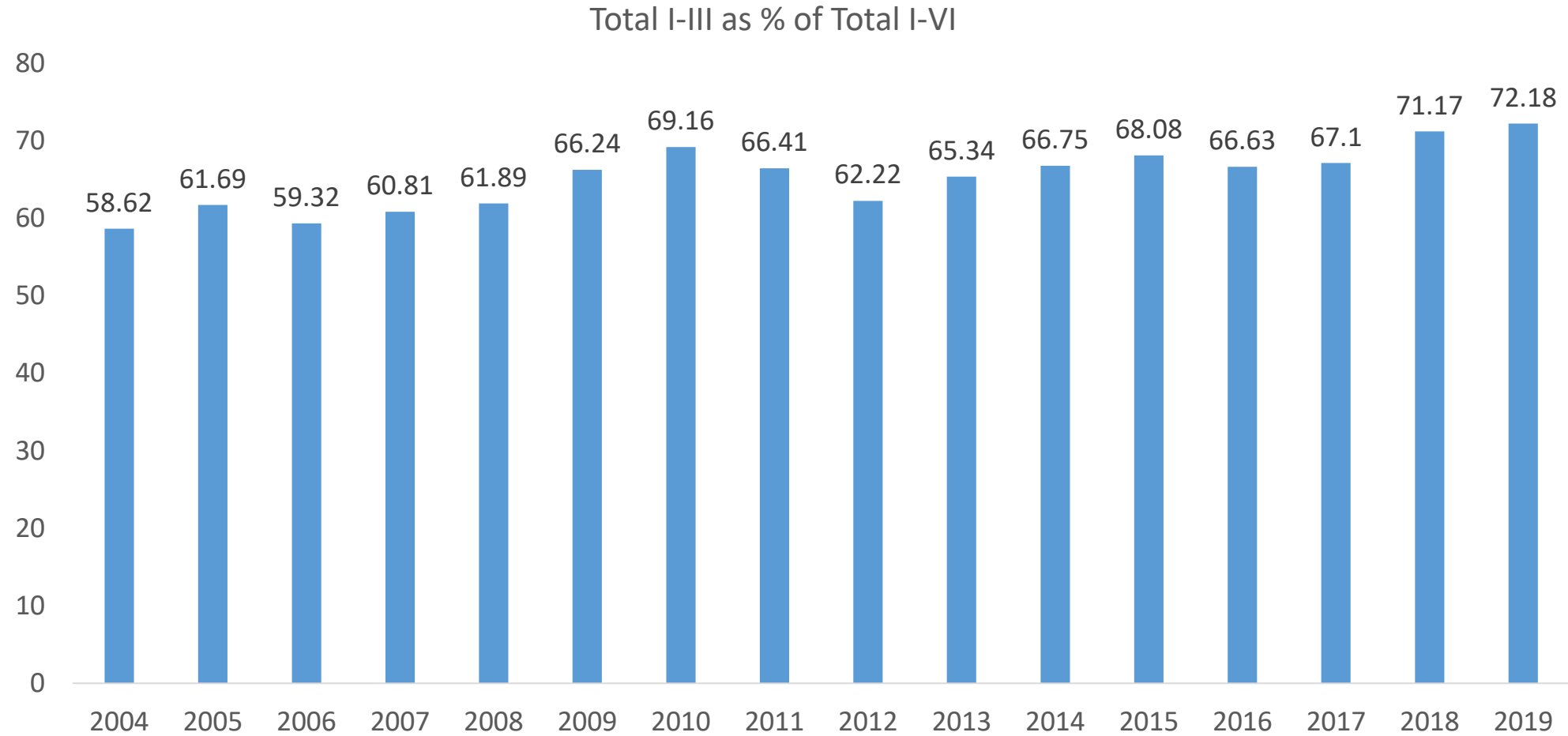
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CAPE[®] Impact

CAPE® Subjects



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1. Accounting
2. Applied Mathematics
3. Art and Design
4. Biology
5. Caribbean Studies
6. Chemistry
7. Communication Studies
8. Computer Science
9. Economics
10. Electrical & Electronic Technology
11. Environmental Science
12. Food and Nutrition
13. French

14. Geography
15. Geometrical & Mechanical
16. Engineering Drawing
17. History
18. Information Technology
19. Law
20. Literatures in English
21. Management of Business
22. Pure Mathematics
23. Physics
24. Sociology
25. Spanish

CAPE NEW GENERATION SUBJECTS



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CAPE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE



CAPE ENTREPRENEURSHIP



CAPE DIGITAL MEDIA



CAPE TOURISM



CAPE PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORT



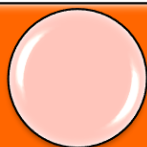
CAPE PERFORMING ARTS

CAPE NEW GENERATION SUBJECTS



Logistics and Supply Chain Operations

September 2015



Intergrated Mathematics

September 2015



Animation and Game Design

September 2016



Green Engineering

September 2016



Financial Services Studies

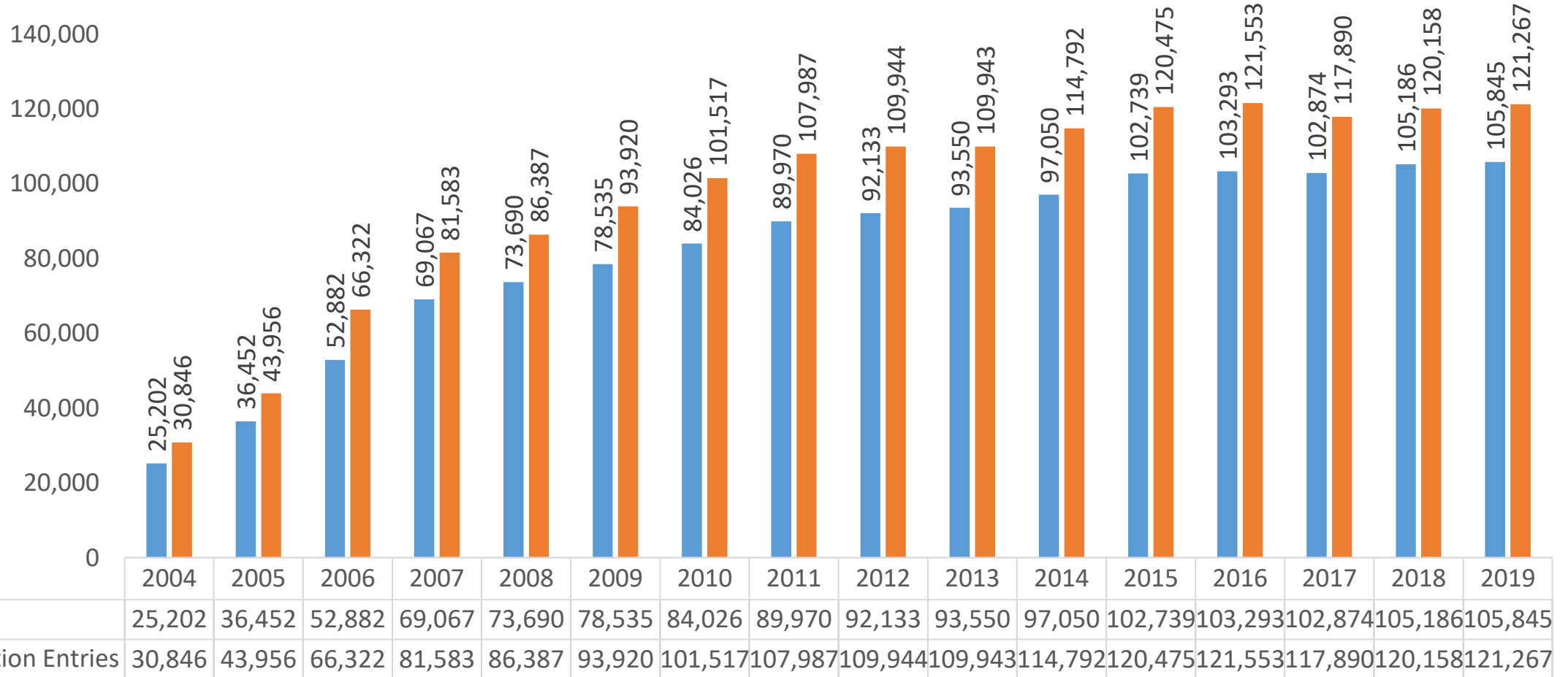
September 2016

CAPE® June 2004 - 2019



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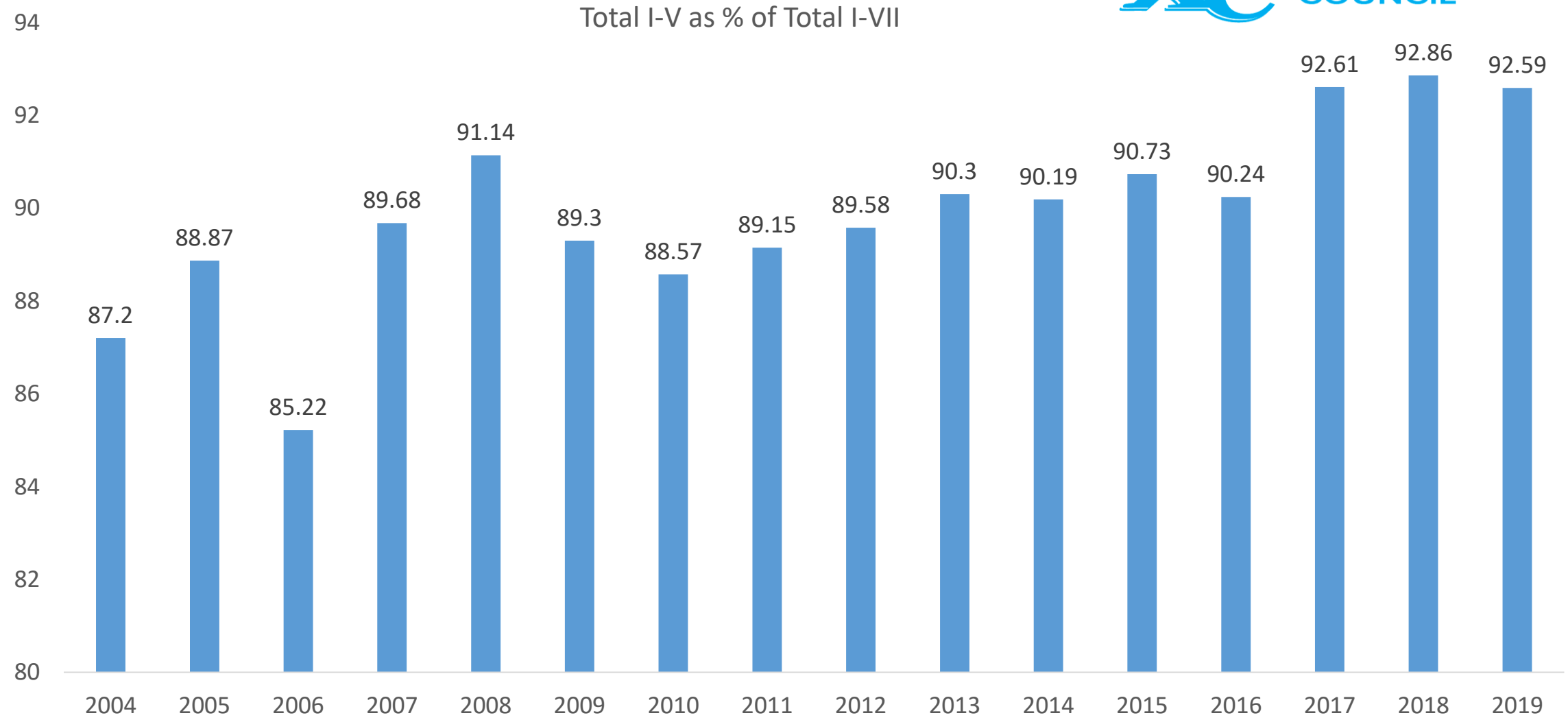
Total I-V versus Registration Entries



CAPE® June 2004 - 2019



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- ☐ **CAPE Certificate** – Successful completion of any CAPE Unit
- ☐ **CAPE Diploma** – Successful completion of six Units of CAPE, including Caribbean Studies
- ☐ **CXC Associate Degree** – Successful completion of ten CAPE Units in a specific course of study

CXC Associate Degree: Framework



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General Education Courses

- Caribbean Studies
- Communication Studies
- *Integrated Mathematics – not required for Maths majors*
- 18 Credits

Core Courses

- Four CAPE® Units relevant to their area of specialisation.
- 24 Credits

Adjunct/ Supporting Courses

- Two CAPE® Units chosen from Humanities and Fine Arts and Natural, Physical Sciences and Technology OR Social and Behavioural Sciences
- 12 Credits

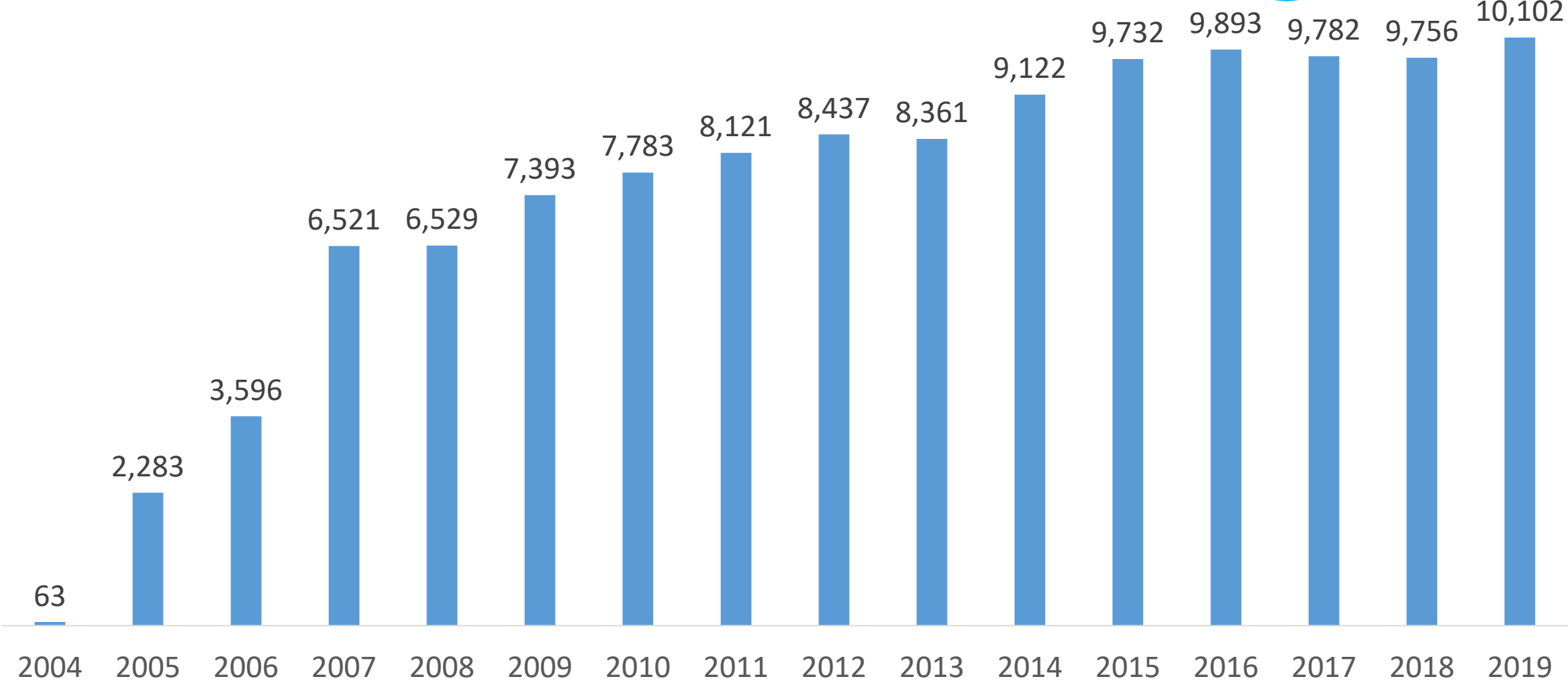
Electives

- Any CAPE® Unit
- 16 Credits

CAPE[®]

Diplomas & Associate Degrees

CAPE® Diploma 2004 -2019

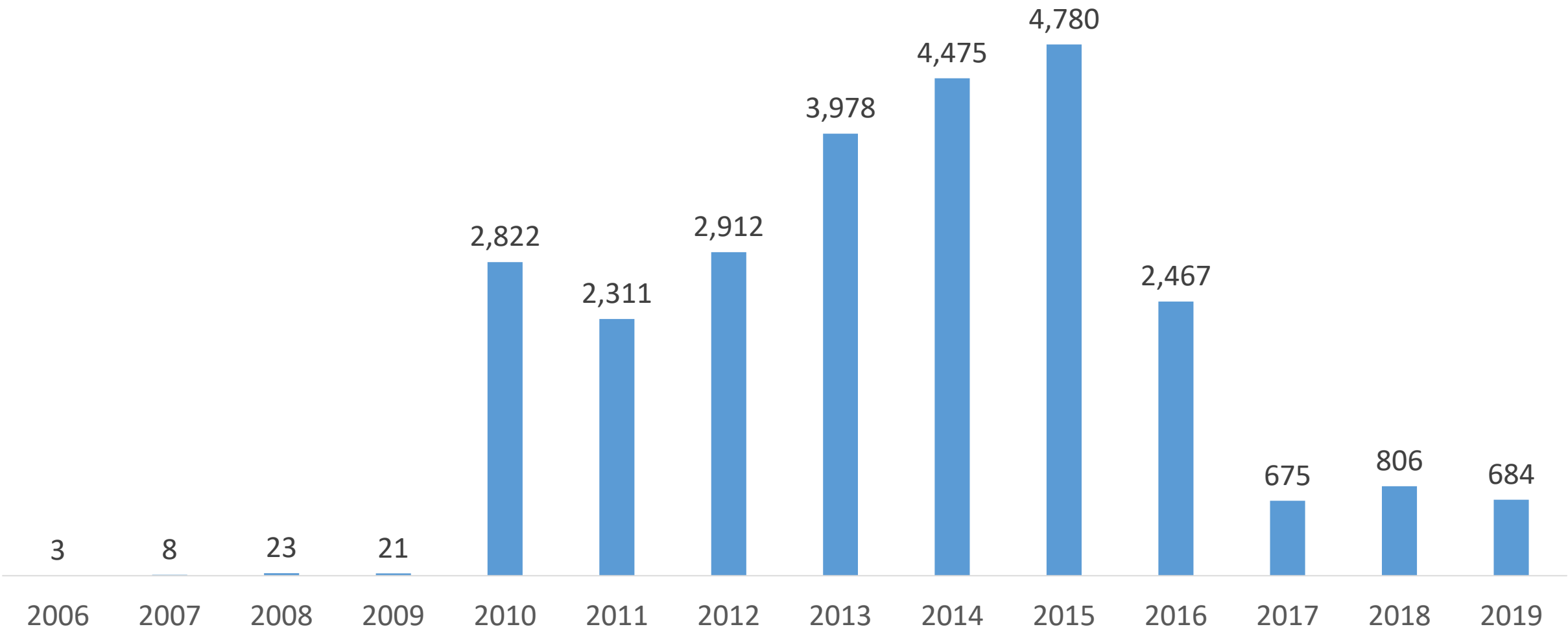


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CAPE® Associate Degree 2006 - 2019



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CXC Associate Degree: Conclusion



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CAPE, the foundation of the CXC Associate Degree is recognised by a number of institutions to include:

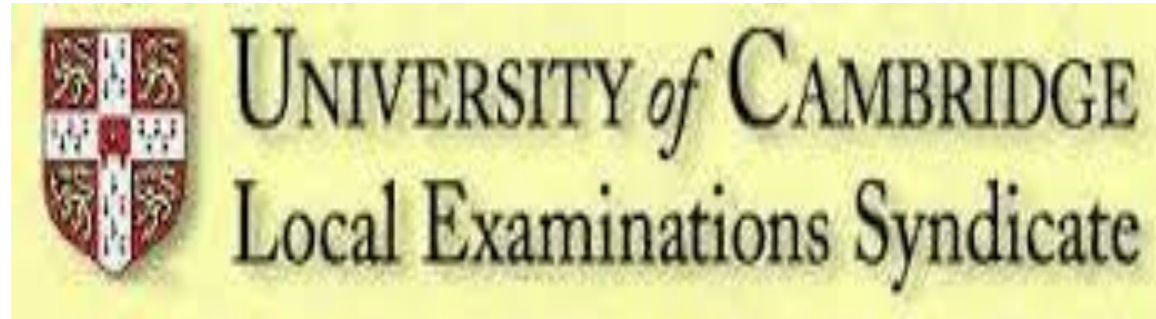
1. The University of the West Indies
2. The University of Guyana
3. The United Kingdom National Academic Recognition Information Centre (UK NARIC),
4. The Association of Indian Universities (AIU)
5. Several Canadian and United States Universities

Articulation Agreements



1. Berkeley College
2. University of South Florida (USF)***
3. Monroe College
4. SUNY-Plattsburgh
5. Oglethorpe University
6. Johnson and Wales
7. Illinois Institute of Technology (MOU, not articulation)
8. Northern Caribbean University (2019)
9. Jamaica Theological Seminary

CSEC Recognition



CSEC Recognition



- Association of Indian Universities (AIU) has granted equivalence to Caribbean Secondary Education Certificate (CSEC) conducted by Caribbean Examinations Council with minimum of 5 subjects in Grades I & II with Grade 10 Examination of an Indian Board...”

CSEC Recognition



- We have found that these results accurately reflect students' academic abilities and preparation for post-secondary study

State University of New York, Plattsburgh

CAPE Recognition



- Association of Indian Universities (AIU) has granted equivalence to CAPE with a minimum of 5 subjects with +2 stage qualification of an Indian board
- Candidate having passed CAPE are eligible to join conventional degree programmes at Indian universities

CAPE Recognition



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- “Acceptable at the two-Unit level in lieu of GCE A 'Levels on a subject for subject basis.”

UCAS – International Qualifications Booklet 2006

- SUNY Plattsburgh has been **awarding transfer credit** for successful completion of CAPE for several years. Students with satisfactory CAPE results enter with advanced standing which enables them to complete their bachelor's degrees in **three (3) years**.

*Jacqueline "Jackie" Girard Vogl
International Enrolment Management, SUNY, Plattsburgh*

CAPE Recognition



“If you are taking CAPE Unit 2 level exams and score Grades I and II on any of the following subjects, and you are admitted to AU and join our global community, you will receive advanced standing AND credits... We at AU value CAPE and the education that you have receive at home...”

Evelyn Levinson, Director of International Admissions, American University

CAPE Recognition



- Mathematics CAPE courses include all the college level topics covered in an Elementary Statistics course plus additional topics from Discrete Mathematics. Students mastering Units 1 and 2 of Applied Mathematics should be able to take more advanced courses in Statistics in college. Students mastering Units 1 and 2 of Pure Mathematics should be ready to continue with second semester Calculus in college

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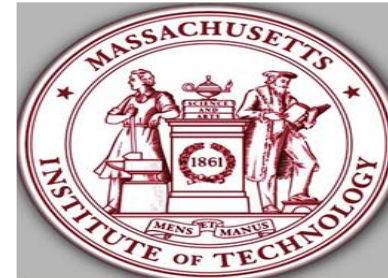
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UNIVERSITY



KING'S
College
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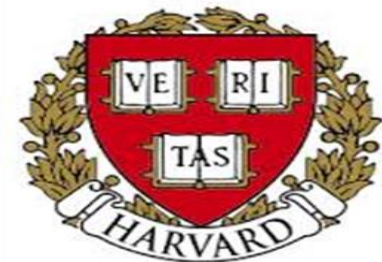
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