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ISB High School Profile 2016/2017

Integrity in College and University Applications

- All students at ISB from Grades 10 to 12 are supported by a dedicated team of college and careers counsellors.
- Students are limited to a maximum of 10 university applications worldwide. Any university reading an application from an ISB applicant can therefore be sure that the student is a serious applicant.
- ISB students are required to sign and adhere to the school's Integrity in Applications policy that includes: if an ISB student applies Early Decision, they agree it is their first choice for universities worldwide and, if admitted, will withdraw all other university applications.
- Given our close working relationships with seniors, ISB counselors provide detailed, in-depth recommendations that best represent our students. It is our policy to not fill in Ratings.

School and Community

- Established in 1951, ISB is the oldest and largest English medium international school in Belgium and the largest single campus international school in Europe.
- With 1500 students from 70 countries, it is driven by a powerful mission of inclusion, challenge and success for all students. The Class of 2017 has 164 students.
- A not-for-profit organization, ISB is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and by the Council of International Schools. The most recent reaccreditation occurred in 2010.
- ISB is a member of the National and International Associations for College Admissions Counseling, the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS), The College Board, the National Honor Society, International Baccalaureate and Council of International Schools.
- Brussels, the capital of Belgium, is a multicultural city of one million. It is the home of the European Commission, NATO, and the headquarters of many Belgian and international organizations. ISB is the school of choice for the children of many of their employees.
- 12% of students receive Learning Support

The High School Academic Programme

- ISB is recognized as a global leader in international school curriculum development. Our challenging learning continuum leads to the High School Diploma and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma examinations.
- ISB offers three forms of High School Diploma: academic, general and individualized. The Individualized Diploma is awarded to students in our Special Education Unit who have achieved individually tailored goals.
- CAS (creativity, activity, service), a graduation requirement, is completed in regular and balanced projects and activities over the High School Programme.



The IB Diploma

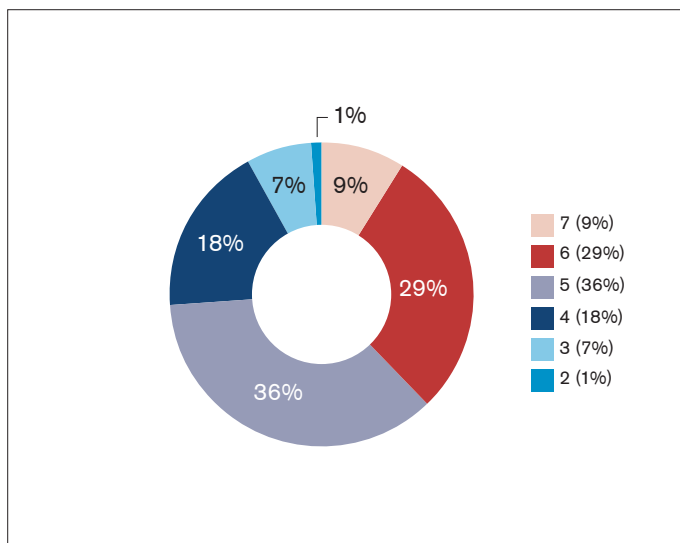
ISB has been authorized to offer the IB Diploma Programme since January 1977, and currently about 85% of ISB students follow this rigorous 2-year course of study.

ISB has an open enrolment policy which produces a widely diverse student body. Unlike many schools that are highly selective, students from ISB must only satisfy the minimum requirements in mathematics and language to be eligible to enter the programme. Full IB Diploma students will take 6 IB subjects, 3 at Higher Level and 3 at Standard Level.

2016 Results

Number of students taking IB exams	152
Number of IB Diploma candidates	131
Average diploma points per candidate	33
Percentage of students getting a Bilingual IB Diploma	47%
Highest IB Diploma score	43

Distribution of IB grades 2015/16



Course Offerings

The language of instruction is English, unless otherwise listed.

First Languages	Language Acquisition	Mathematics
Dutch 10	Dutch Language	Math Topics
English 10	ELD A	Algebra 2
English 11	ELD B1	Algebra 2+
English 12	ELD B2	Algebra 2 &
French 10	ELD C	Trigonometry (H)
IB Dutch A Language & Literature SL & HL	French 1	IB Mathematical Studies
IB English A Language & Literature SL & HL	French 2	IB Mathematics SL
IB English A Literature SL & HL	French 3	IB Mathematics HL
IB French A Language & Literature SL & HL	French 4	IB Further Math HL
IB Japanese A Language & Literature SL & HL	IB Dutch B SL & HL	
IB Tutored Languages	IB English B SL & HL	Business and Technology
A Literature SL	IB French ab initio	IB Business Management SL & HL
Japanese 10	IB French B SL & HL	IB Design Technology SL & HL
	IB Spanish ab initio	IB Computer Science SL & HL
	IB Spanish B SL & HL	IB Economics SL & HL
	Spanish 1	Design Technology Computer Programming Introduction to Business & Economics Web Design
	Spanish 2	
	Spanish 3	
Humanities	Sciences	Creative Arts
IB Geography SL & HL	Integrated Science	Choir
IB Global Politics SL & HL	IB Biology SL & HL	Digital Music
IB History SL & HL	IB Chemistry SL & HL	Drawing
IB World Religions SL	IB Physics SL & HL	Graphic Design
IB Theory of Knowledge	IB Environmental Systems and Societies SL	IB Music SL & HL
IB Theory of Knowledge in French	IB Science SL	IB Theatre Arts SL & HL
IB Psychology SL & HL	IB Sports Exercise and Health Science SL & HL	IB Visual Arts SL & HL
ELD Humanities B1	Physical Education / Sports Management	String Orchestra
ELD Humanities B2	Physical Education (G10)	Symphonic Band
Special Education Mentoring		Textile Design & Fashion
Challenge & Change in the 21st Century		Theatre Design & Technology
		Theatre Practice & Performance
		Studio Art

New SAT results – Class of 2017

A total of 35 students took the new SAT (20% of the graduating class), including students for whom English is not a first language.

Section	ISB Mean
Evidence based reading and writing	627
Math	637
Total	1264

Old SAT results – Class of 2017

A further 5 students took the old SAT (3% of the graduating class), again including students for whom English is not a first language.

Section	ISB Mean
Critical Reading	654
Math	706
Writing	646
Total	2006

ACT results – Class of 2017

A further 19 students took the ACT (12% of the graduating class), again including students for whom English is not a first language.

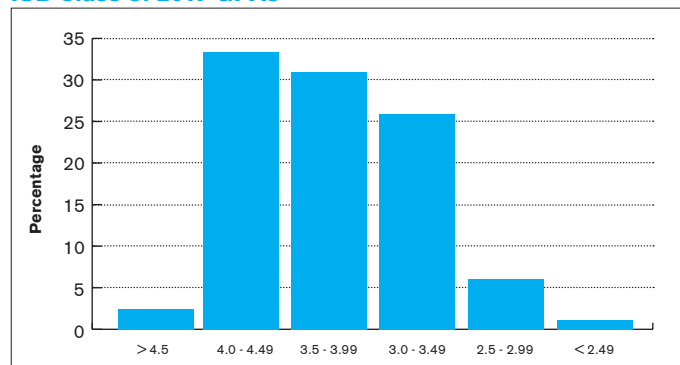
Section	ISB Mean
English	26.6
Math	27.5
Reading	26.1
Science	26.2
Composite	26.7

Grading and Ranking

Grades are recorded at the end of each quarter and reported at the end of each semester. ISB does not rank its students.

ISB	Descriptor	a-system		Unweighted GPA	Weighted GPA
7	Excellent	A+	Credit given	4.3	4.8
6	Very good	A		4.0	4.5
5	Good	B		3.5	4.0
4	Satisfactory	C		2.5	3.0
3	Below expectations	D	Passing Grade	1.5	2.0
2	Seriously below expectations	F	Credit not given	0.0	0.0
1	Serious intervention	F		0.0	0.0

ISB Class of 2017 GPAs



The High School Extra-Curricular Programme

The ISB learning experience is enhanced by its after-school programme. The school offers the largest athletics programme in Europe, an International Award programme at Bronze, Silver and Gold levels, as well as an outstanding visual and performing arts programme. Many students will also be actively involved in one of a number of after-school clubs offered each year. ISB is consistently amongst top European schools in both maths and speech & debate competitions.

In addition, many of our students each year are involved in our Beyond ISB programme, gaining valuable work experience through structured internships before leaving school.

2015-16 University Offers and Matriculations

Listed below are the universities who offered places to ISB students in 2015-16. Universities in **Bold** are those at which ISB graduates are matriculating in Fall 2016.

<p>CANADA</p> <p>Carleton University Concordia University - Montreal Douglas College HEC Montréal McGill University Simon Fraser University Trent University University of British Columbia University of Ottawa University of Toronto University of Victoria</p> <p>EUROPE</p> <p>Aarhus School of Business Amsterdam University College Artevelde University College Copenhagen Business School Cork Institute of Technology Delft University of Technology Dublin Institute of Technology École des Gobelins Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam Hogeschool van Amsterdam, University of Applied Sciences Hotelschool The Hague IE University Katholieke Universiteit Leuven Leiden University Leiden University College The Hague Reykjavik University Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University The Hague University of Applied Sciences Universiad Europea de Madrid Universita Bocconi Universiteit Maastricht University College Cork University College Roosevelt University of Amsterdam</p>	<p>Vatel International Business School Hotel and Tourism Management Vesalius College Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</p> <p>ISRAEL</p> <p>IDC Herzliya - Raphael Recanat International School</p> <p>UNITED KINGDOM</p> <p>Abertay University Arts University Bournemouth Bangor University Bath Spa University Bellerbys College - Brighton Bournemouth University British and Irish Modern Music Institute Brunel University London Buckinghamshire New University Cardiff Metropolitan University Cardiff University City University London Coventry University De Montfort University Durham University Glasgow Caledonian University Goldsmiths, University of London Hult International Business School in San Francisco and London Imperial College London Keele University King's College London Kingston University Lancaster University Leeds College of Music Leeds Metropolitan University Liverpool John Moores University London Metropolitan University London School of Business and Management London South Bank University Loughborough University Manchester Metropolitan</p>	<p>University of Central Lancashire University of Chester University of Chichester University of Dundee University of East Anglia University of East London University of Essex University of Exeter University of Glasgow University of Gloucestershire University of Hertfordshire University of Huddersfield University of Kent University of Leeds University of Leicester University of Liverpool University of Oxford University of Portsmouth University of Reading University of South Wales University of Southampton University of Stirling University of Surrey University of Sussex University of the West of England University of West London University of Westminster University of York</p> <p>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</p> <p>American University Bates College Berry College Boston College Boston University Brandeis University Brown University Bryant University Christopher Newport University Coastal Carolina University College of the Holy Cross Columbia University Emory University Fairfield University Fordham University Furman University Georgetown University</p>	<p>Georgia Institute of Technology Hood College Howard University Kenyon College Lesley University Lincoln Memorial University Loyola University Chicago Miami University, Oxford Middlebury College New York University North Carolina A&T State University Northeastern University Northwestern University Occidental College Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts Pennsylvania State University Pitzer College Princeton University Purdue University Rhode Island School of Design Saint Leo University Saint Michael's College Salisbury University Santa Clara University Savannah College of Art and Design School of Visual Arts St. Lawrence University Syracuse University The Culinary Institute of America The George Washington University The Ohio State University The University of Arizona The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Tufts University University of California, Berkeley University of California, Davis University of California, Irvine University of California, Los Angeles University of California, San Diego University of California,</p>	<p>Santa Barbara University of California, Santa Cruz University of Chicago University of Colorado at Boulder University of Dayton University of Denver University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign University of Maryland, Baltimore County University of Maryland, College Park University of Michigan University of Minnesota, Twin Cities University of Oregon University of San Diego University of South Florida, Tampa University of St. Thomas University of Tennessee, Knoxville University of Vermont University of Wisconsin, Madison Utah State University Virginia Tech Wake Forest University Washington University in St. Louis Wesleyan University Whitman College</p> <p>JAPAN</p> <p>At the time of publication, the complete results for students from the Class of 2016 planning on attending Japanese Universities were not yet available. The following is a sampling of acceptances over the past two years:</p> <p>Hiroshima University Keio University Kwansei Gakuin University Nagoya Institute of Technology Osaka Prefecture University Rikkyo University Sophia University Waseda University</p>
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