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Founded in 1947, the United Nations International School (UNIS) is celebrating its 73rd year as an independent college preparatory day school. With approximately 1,600 students from pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade, the school is accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and chartered by the New York State Board of Regents. There are two campuses: in Queens, schooling children from kindergarten through eighth grade, and a pre-kindergarten through twelfth-grade school in Manhattan. The High School at UNIS is called Tutorial House. Overall, the students represent 112 countries and speak 91 languages.

IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON THE UNIS COMMUNITY

- On March 7, 2020 UNIS moved from in-person to virtual instruction for all students for the remainder of the 2019-2020 academic year and all co-curricular activities were suspended. Despite the quick move to online learning, students were held to the same high standard and received grades according to the IB 7-point scale.
- In the 2020-2021 academic year, students will meet with their teachers and classmates synchronously in a hybrid model, with one day in school followed by one day online; a small subset of students have opted to remain fully online. Students continue to receive grades according to the IB 7-point scale. While many co-curricular activities have resumed, some, like sports and theater, remain suspended.
- Spring 2020 International Baccalaureate examinations were canceled. Instead, students were awarded final IB grades based on the externally marked IB Internal Assessment for each subject, coursework, and the established assessment expertise, rigor and quality control already built into the program.
- The International Baccalaureate organization plans to reinstate testing this spring but will continue to monitor the health and safety of the community during the pandemic on Diploma (DP) and Certificate (CP) students.

MISSION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Under the auspices of the United Nations and guided by its ideals, UNIS provides an inclusive and diverse learning environment in which rigorous international programs foster academic excellence, innovation, creativity and cross-cultural communication to educate and inspire its students to become an active force in shaping a better world: peaceful, compassionate and sustainable.

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A MULTILINGUAL ENVIRONMENT

Multilingualism permeates the UNIS campus, in the school's mission, curriculum, and student activities. All eight official languages of the United Nations are offered at UNIS, and taught by native speakers. The Modern Language department, the largest faculty at UNIS, organizes many events to enrich students' learning and the community. All students begin the study of French or Spanish in Kindergarten and another second language (Arabic, Chinese, German, Italian, Japanese or Russian) in Middle School. UNIS students usually take three languages, including English, through Grade 10.

In Grades 11 and 12, students continue to study two or three languages, including English, to meet IB Diploma requirements; 29% of students in the last three graduating classes graduated with the Bilingual IB Diploma. The French and Spanish mother tongue programs include the option to study Humanities (Grades 9-10) and IB History (Grades 11-12) in French or Spanish. In addition, UNIS fosters the study of other mother tongue languages through an after-school program with UNIS-approved tutors and the IB Self-Taught option in grade 11 and 12.

A STRONG CONNECTION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS

About 51% of our families are affiliated with the United Nations, and students are frequently given the opportunity to participate in events connected with the UN:

- Our yearly UN Day emphasizes the ideals of the UN Charter.
- Students are frequently invited to the UN Headquarters for various events (e.g. UN General Assembly, International Day of Peace, Signature of the Paris Climate Accord in 2016, UNICEF events, etc).
- The UNIS graduation takes place in the General Assembly Hall of the UN Headquarters in New York.

STUDENT ACTIVISM

- The UNIS-UN Conference is a yearly student-led event focusing on a major social theme, with students from around the world. Organized by Grade 11-12 students, the conference is held in the UN General Assembly. The topic of the 2019-2020 was "Megacities: A Sustainable Future;" the 2020-2021 topic is "A Global Catastrophe: The Impact of COVID-19."
- The Equity and Inclusion Board is a student-led initiative that strives to increase the representation of racially marginalized groups within the UNIS community and its culture, through collaborations with various constituents of the school, in order to fulfill UNIS' mission to create an inclusive and diverse learning environment for all students.
- The Human Rights Conference is another yearly student-led event held at UNIS and the UN headquarters, focused on a human rights issue. The topic of the 2019-2020 conference was "Defending Women's Rights: Gender Justice;" the 2020-2021 topic has yet to be determined.

A RICH STUDENT LIFE

46 clubs, committees, and publications: 9 Activism/Political, 9 Media/Publication, 8 Advocacy, 7 Academic, 7 Arts/Recreation, and 6 Cultural clubs. Many increase awareness for causes and raise money to support them. Students participate in academic conferences such as Model UN and the Student Diversity Leadership Conference, and a range of student-led programs such as the annual UNIS-UN, Model UN, and Human Rights conferences, and Teen Tech New York. The student newspaper UNISverse, Literary Magazine LitMag, and Yearbook provide numerous editorial opportunities.

THE ARTS AND ATHLETICS

- **Music Department:** Music students participate in a variety of ensembles: Jazz Band 1&2, Senior Wind Ensemble, Camerata String Orchestra, Senior Chorus, and the Vocal Chamber Ensemble. Students perform at multiple NYC venues including Carnegie Hall and the United Nations General Assembly Hall. Guest artists, clinician-led workshops and private music lessons complement the program of study.
- **Theater Department:** Theatre students perform in a host of annual productions, including original plays, musicals, student-directed one-acts, and a multilingual International Festival of Performing Arts. Previous year's highlights include an original devised production performed at the 2019 Edinburgh Fringe Festival, and an annual "International Festival of Performing Arts" showcasing original works performed in multiple languages. 2019-20 highlights include: a virtual production of Shaina Taub's Twelfth Night, originally produced at NYC's Public Theater.
- **Visual Art and Film Department:** Visual arts students produce and curate a body of work for exhibition. The 2020 exhibition titled "Cultural Collisions" was shown publicly in NYC's Chelsea art district. Visual art students also work with UNIS theater productions to create sets and costumes. Film students use college-level film production equipment to complete works for submission into local and national film festivals.
- **Athletics: 8 Varsity Sports:** Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Track and Field (indoor and outdoor), Volleyball; 15 Varsity Teams; 3 Junior Varsity Teams (Grades 9 & 10).

PREPARATION FOR THE IB (GRADE 9-10):

- Required courses are English or English Language Learning (ELL), two modern languages, mathematics, sciences, humanities, physical education and health (in grade 9). Students must select up to two electives.
- Elective subjects include Visual Art, Drama, Game Design in Java and many more.
- Languages offered are Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Spanish. English Language Learning (ELL) is also offered at each grade level.

IB PROGRAM (GRADE 11-12):

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program is a rigorous, externally assessed, two-year college preparatory program, in which candidates are expected to choose six courses: two languages (including at least one at the native speaker level), a social science, an experimental science, a mathematics course, and an elective course (one of the arts, or a second social science, or a second science, or a third language). In order to obtain an IB Diploma, three of these courses must be taken at the Higher Level (IBH), and three at the Standard Level (IBS). IB Diploma candidates must also meet the following core requirements:

- Follow an epistemology course, known as Theory of Knowledge (ToK).
- Develop their civic responsibility through Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) projects.
- Complete an Extended Essay, a 4,000-word individual research paper.

OUR FACULTY MEMBERS:

High School faculty members	96
Countries represented	29
Doctoral degrees	9
Masters degrees	68
Faculty speaking two or more languages	71%

UNIS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

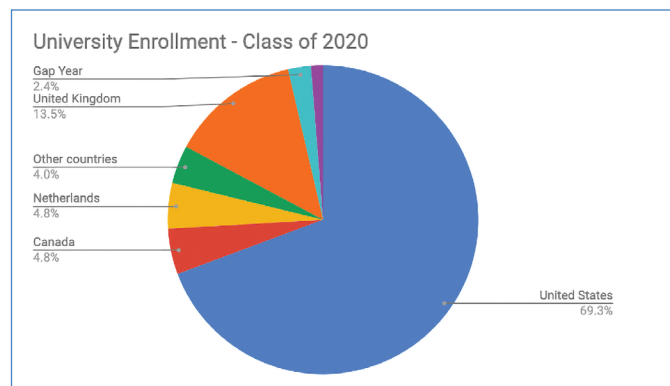
26 credits are required for the UNIS High School Diploma as well as 30 hours of community service each year

English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Humanities	4
Modern Language	4
Physical Education	2
Health	0.5
Electives	2
Community Service	1
Independent Study Project (Gr. 12)	0.5
Total Required	26

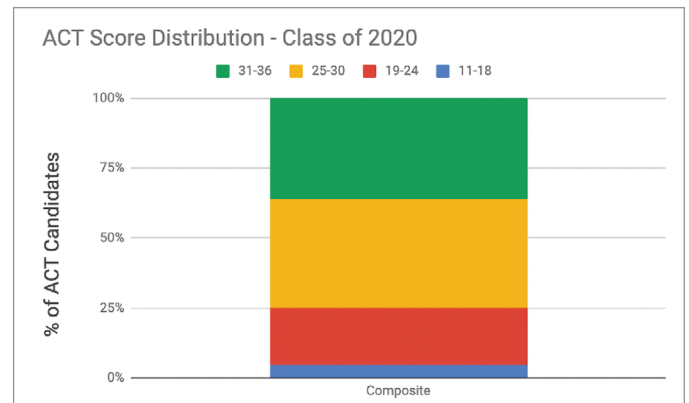
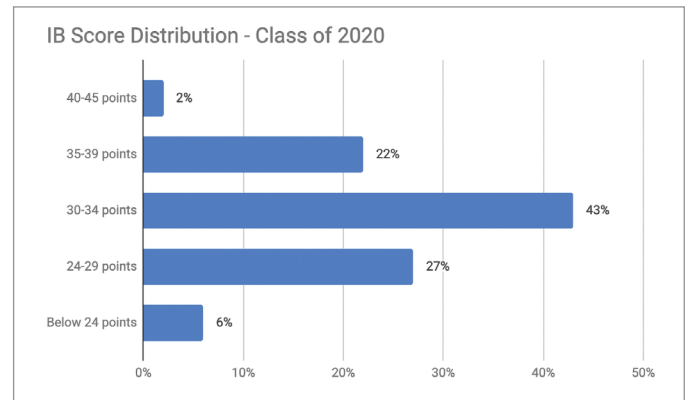
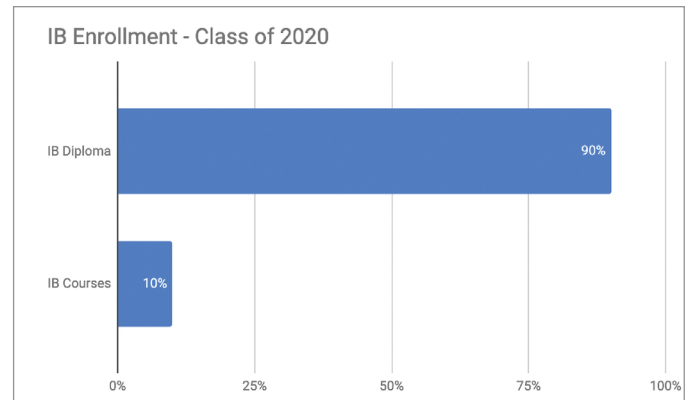
A DIVERSE STUDENT BODY

Students enrolled grades 9-12	518
Grade 12 enrollment	127
UN affiliation	51%
Nationalities represented	48
Two or more nationalities	33

UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT - CLASS OF 2020



EXAM RESULTS 2020



Average ACT Scores (Class of 2020):
Composite 27



Average SAT Scores:
ERW 649 Math 630

UNIVERSITY ATTENDANCE

CLASSES 2016 - 2020

UNIVERSITIES IN THE U.S.A.

Albright College
 American University 2 (1)
 Amherst College 4 (2)
 Babson College 3
 Bard College 7 (1)
 Barnard College 10
 Bates College 2
 Beloit College
 Bentley University 2 (1)
 Boston University 5 (1)
 Brandeis University 3 (1)
 Brown University 2 (1)
 Bryn Mawr College 2 (1)
 Bucknell University
 Canisius College (1)
 Carnegie Mellon Univ. 4
 Case Western Reserve 2 (1)
 Champlain College
 Chapman University (1)
 City University of New York:
 Baruch College 5 (2)
 Guttman Community College
 Hunter College 3 (1)
 Clark University 2 (1)
 Colby College
 Colgate University 2 (1)
 College of William & Mary 2
 Colorado College
 Columbia University 4
 Connecticut College 2
 Cooper Union
 Cornell University 10 (1)
 DePaul University
 Dickinson College (1)
 Drexel University (1)
 Duke University 6
 Elon University
 Emerson College 2
 Emory University 7 (3)
 Fordham University 15 (3)
 George Mason Univ. 2
 George Washington University 14 (1)
 Gettysburg College (1)
 Goucher College
 Hamilton College
 Hampton University (1)

Harvard University
 Harvey Mudd College 2
 Haverford College 2
 Hofstra University (2)
 Howard University (2)
 Illinois Institute of Tech.
 Ithaca College 6 (3)
 Johns Hopkins University 3
 Kenyon College (2)
 Lafayette College 3
 Lehigh University 2
 Loyola Marymount Univ.
 Lynn University (2)
 Macalester College 2 (1)
 Manhattan School of Music
 Marist College 2
 Maryland Inst. College of Art
 Marymount Man. College 3
 Monroe College
 Mount Holyoke College 2
 New York University 27 (4)
 Northeastern University 14 (5)
 Northwestern University 2
 Oberlin College 4 (2)
 Occidental College 6
 Pace University 3 (1)
 Pennsylvania State Univ. 4 (3)
 Pitzer College 4
 Pomona College
 Princeton University 2 (1)
 Purdue University 3
 Reed College
 Rhode Island School of Design 4 (1)
 Rice University
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 San Diego State University (1)
 Sarah Lawrence College 4 (1)
 School of the Art Institute of Chicago
 Scripps College (1)
 Skidmore College 7 (2)
 Smith College 3
 Stanford University (1)
 State University of New York:
 Albany
 Binghamton 2 (1)
 Buffalo

Fashion Inst. of Tech. 4 (1)

Purchase College 2
 Stony Brook 3
 Stevens Institute of Tech. 2
 Suffolk University (1)
 Swarthmore College 3
 Syracuse University
 Temple University (1)
 The New School 9 (3)
 Trinity College
 Tufts University 3 (1)
 Tulane University 2 (1)
 Union College
 Univ. of California at:
 Berkeley 7 (1)
 Davis
 Los Angeles 5
 San Diego 2
 Santa Barbara (1)
 Santa Cruz
 University of Chicago 4 (1)
 University of Maryland 4
 University of Miami 8 (1)
 University of Michigan 3 (1)
 Univ. of Pennsylvania 2
 University of Rochester
 Univ. of San Francisco 4
 University of Virginia 2
 University of Washington (1)
 University of Wisconsin 2 (1)
 Vassar College 5 (1)
 Villanova University 3 (1)
 Virginia Military Inst.
 Wagner College (1)
 Wake Forest University
 Wash U. - St. Louis 7 (1)
 Wellesley College
 Wesleyan University 12 (3)
 Williams College
 Worcester Polytechnic Inst.

UNIVERSITIES OUTSIDE THE U.S.A.

Armenia
 Foundation Universite Francais en Armenie

Australia
 University of Canberra
 Monash University
 Queensland University of Technology

Belgium

University of Leuven 2

Canada
 Bishops University
 Concordia University 11 (1)
 McGill University 11 (1)
 McMaster University
 Queens University 3 (1)
 Univ. of British Columbia 7
 University of Toronto 8 (3)

China
 NYU Shanghai 3

Czech Republic
 Charles University Law School Prague (1)

Estonia
 University of Tallin

Finland
 Aalto University

France
 American Univ. of Paris 2 (1)
 Sciences Po 3 (1)

Germany
 Bard College Berlin
 Ludwig Maximilian Universitat Munchen
 Technion Israel Institute of Technology
 University of Hamburg

Ireland
 Trinity College Dublin/Columbia University -Dual Program

Italy
 Università attolica del Sacro Cuore, Rome (1)

Israel
 IDC Herzliya-Raphael Recanati Int'l School

Japan
 Sophia University 2

Malaysia
 International Islamic Univ.

Netherlands
 Amsterdam Univ. College
 Erasmus University College
 Erasmus Univ. Rotterdam
 Leiden University College (1)
 Radboud College
 Technical University Delft
 Univ. College Maastricht (1)
 Univ. College Utrecht (1)
 University of Amsterdam (1)
 University of Groningen

Paraguay

Universidad Catolica "Nuestra Señora de Asuncion"

Singapore
 Yale - NUS College

Spain
 IE University Madrid
 Universidad de Navarra
 Univ. Europea de Madrid

Switzerland
 EHL-Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne (1)

Taiwan
 Ming Chuan University

United Kingdom
 Bath Spa University
 Kings College London (2)
 London School of Economics 4 (1)
 Manchester Metropolitan University (1)
 Northumbria University (1)
 Queen Mary, University of London 2
 Queen Mary University/London Medical School
 School of African & Asian Studies 2 (1)
 University College London 3
 University of Aberdeen
 University of Bath 2 (1)
 University of Birmingham
 University of Bristol 3
 University of Edinburgh 2
 University of Exeter 6 (3)
 University of Goldsmiths (1)
 University of Kent 3
 University of Leeds 3
 University of Liverpool
 University of Oxford 3
 University of Plymouth
 University of Royal Holloway (3)
 University of Sheffield (1)
 Univ. of Southampton 2
 University of Sussex (1)
 University of St. Andrews 3
 Univ. of the Arts London (1)
 University of Winchester

(First number represents five year total; highlighted universities and number in brackets represent the Class of 2020)