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School & Community

Established in 1951, The International School of Brussels (ISB) is the oldest and largest English medium international school in Belgium and the largest single campus international school in Europe. Located in Brussels, the capital of Belgium, in the heart of Europe, ISB is a part of this multicultural city of over one million people which is the home of the European Commission, NATO, and the headquarters of many Belgian and international organizations. ISB is a not-for-profit organization with a non-selective, open enrollment admissions policy driven by a powerful mission of inclusion, challenge and success for all students. With over 1,480 students from 75 countries as well as faculty and staff from 28 countries, ISB is a diverse international community which is reflected in the school culture built on its mission to develop independent learners and global citizens. ISB is an IB World School. Our qualified and experienced faculty are passionate and committed educators, many of whom hold advanced degrees, are IB trainers or examiners.

Accreditations & Memberships

ISB is accredited by;

- The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSA)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Council of International Schools (CIS)

ISB is an active member of;

- The National Association for College Admissions Counseling (NACAC)
- The International Association for College Admissions Counseling (IACAC)
- The International School Counselor Association (ISCA)



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Academic Programmes & Diploma Pathways

ISB is recognized as a global leader in international school curriculum development. Our challenging learning continuum leads to the U.S High School Diploma, accredited by the Middle States Association and Council of International Schools, and the option to complete the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) or International Baccalaureate Career Related Programme (IBCP). In addition, students with intensive learning needs are awarded an Individualised Diploma based on the achievement on individually tailored goals.

US High School Diploma

ISB offers a US High School Diploma programme accredited by the Middle States Association and Council of International Schools. We offer a broad range of subjects across various disciplines allowing students to build an academic programme tailored for their success.

Minimum Graduation Requirements:

19 academic credits over four years of study.

Academic Credits: 4 English, 2 Mathematics, 2 Science & Technology, 2 Arts, 2 Social Sciences, 7 additional credits and Service Learning.

ISB Individualised Diploma

As an open enrolment inclusive school, ISB strives to challenge and guide each student to success by offering an Individualised Diploma programme for students with intensive learning support needs. This diploma provides an opportunity for students in our Intensive Learning Support programme to develop their potential and independence through personalised targets documented in their Individual Learning Plan (ILP) and Transition Plans. Students who qualify for this program have the opportunity to access an ISB education until age 21.

Minimum Graduation Requirements:

Graduation timing decisions are made on a case-by-case basis in collaboration with the team and family with special consideration given to relocation and post-secondary opportunities.

The IB Diploma Programme (IBDP)

ISB has been authorised to offer the IB Diploma Programme since January 1977. The IBDP is an academically challenging and balanced programme of education with final examinations that prepares students for success at university and life beyond. ISB offers more IBDP courses than any other school in Belgium, thereby providing students with the choice and flexibility to pursue an IB Diploma programme that best suits their needs.

Minimum Graduation Requirements:

In this pathway, the IBDP is offered alongside the ISB US High School Diploma, adhering to the minimum credit requirements. Over the course of two years IBDP pathway students take six IB subjects, three at standard level (SL), three at higher level (HL) as well as the Core which consists of CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service), TOK (Theory of Knowledge), and the Extended Essay.

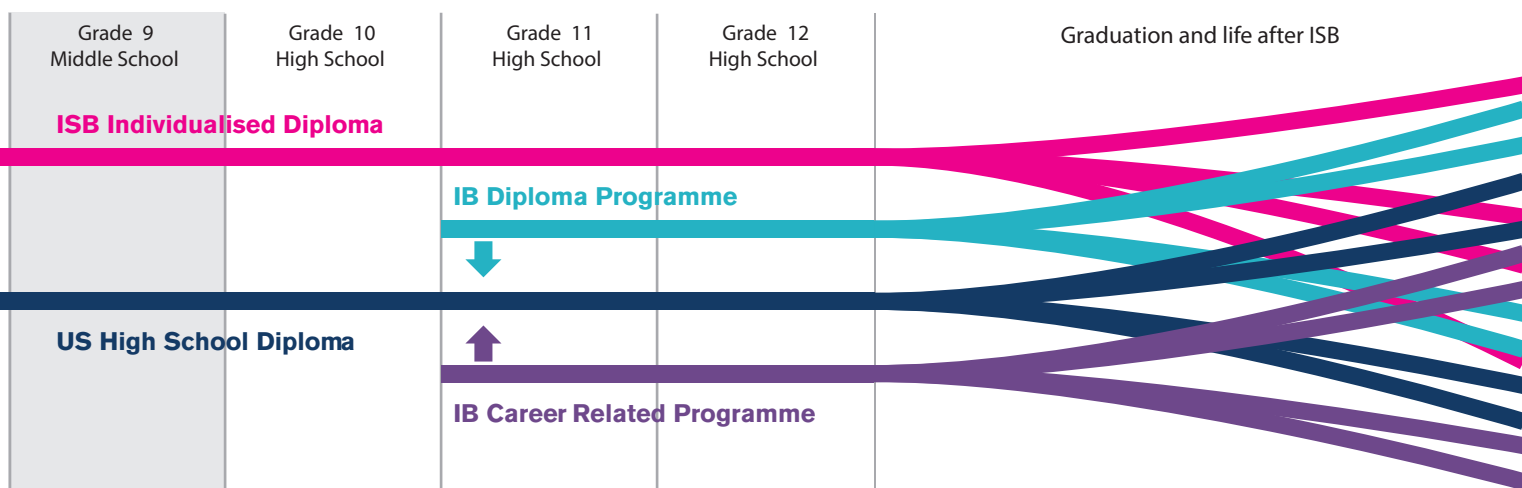
The IB Career Related Programme (IBCP)

Established in 2012 by the IBO, ISB is proud to offer this flexible, focused, and rigorous curriculum for pre-university education. It is recognised and respected by universities throughout the world. The IBCP prepares students for flexibility and mobility by integrating broad, academic learning areas as well as specific career-related content into a challenging framework of education.

Minimum Graduation Requirements:

In this pathway, the IBCP is offered alongside the ISB US High School Diploma, adhering to the minimum requirements. IBCP pathway students take a minimum of two and a maximum of four IBDP Courses with one at Higher Level (HL), a career-related study offered through one of the three BTEC Level 3 Diploma Programmes, as well as the IBCP Core which consists of courses in Personal & Professional Skills (PPS), Language Development, Service Learning, and the Reflective Project.

ISB Graduation Pathways



Integrity in College and University Applications

ISB has an open enrollment policy which produces a diverse student body. With students joining us from many different educational systems from around the world, it is our policy not to rate or rank our students. GPAs are not calculated, but are available upon request. All students at ISB from Grades 10 to 12 are individually supported by a dedicated team of college and careers counsellors. Because of our close working relationships with seniors, ISB counsellors provide detailed, in-depth recommendations that best represent our students. ISB students are required to sign and adhere to the school's Integrity in Applications Policy. Students are limited to a maximum of 10 university applications worldwide. Therefore, any university reading an application from an ISB applicant can be sure that the student is a serious applicant.

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Grades and Descriptors

Descriptor	ISB	BTEC
Excellent	7	D*
Very good	6	D
Good	5	M
Satisfactory	4	P
Below expectations	3	Unclassified
Seriously below expectations	2	Unclassified
Serious intervention	1	Unclassified

Note: Grades are reported twice a year in Grade 9 and once per year in Grades 10-12. For BTEC individual unit grades are Distinction (D), Merit (M), and Pass (P). D* grades are only awarded at the end of each reporting period.



Course Offerings 2020-2021



Note: The language of instruction is English, unless otherwise listed. All courses are offered at Higher Level (HL) and Standard Level (SL), unless otherwise indicated. The Core provides an emphasis on developing thinking, researching, communicating, self-management and social skills. Students who take two A languages courses will be awarded a bilingual diploma.

Extra-curricular activities

ISB Plus is our after-school programme. It is a non-competitive environment in which students can discover new activities and sports, improve existing skills and learn new ones. Activities include Art, Baton, Cricket, Chinese, Cooking, Drama, Chess, Climbing, Math, Martial Arts, Science, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, Yoga. ISB Plus also offers a Home Language Programme. The Elementary, Middle and High Schools also offer a wide range of in-school clubs and activities for students in a variety of subjects, including Green Team, Student Council, Yearbook, Math, Art, MUN, Jazz Lab Band, Coding, Games, Speech and Debate, and E-Sports. ISB also offers the International Award to students in the Middle and High School.

Sports

During the Fall season, there are 21 teams from the following sports: Volleyball, Soccer, Field Hockey, American Football, Tennis and Cross Country. During the Winter season, there are 13 teams from the following sports: Basketball, Swimming and Rugby, with developmental teams for Rugby and Swimming. During the Spring season, there are 12 teams from the following sports: Softball, Baseball, Tennis, Golf, Lacrosse, and Track and Field, with developmental teams for Softball and Tennis depending on numbers.

Arts

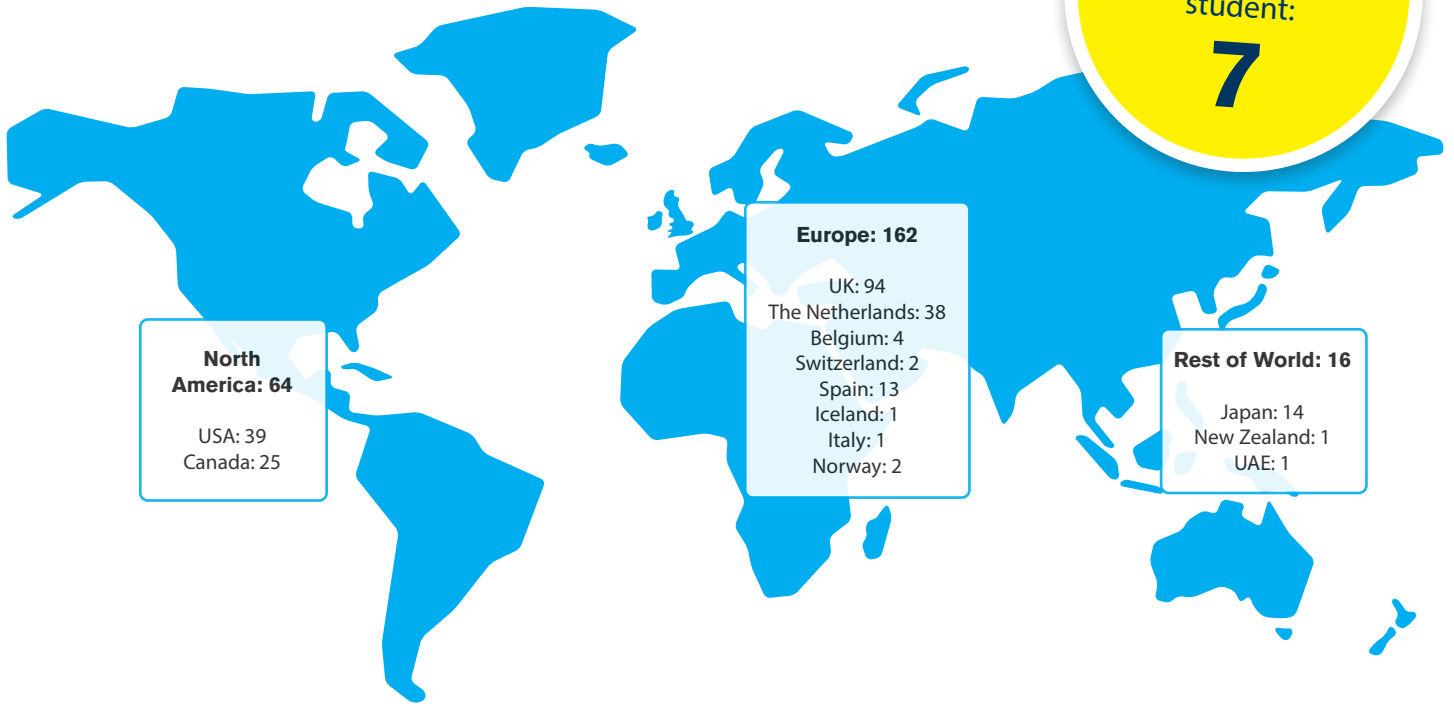
ISB offers performance opportunities from Grade 1 to 12, both as part of the Curriculum and after-school, including: full-scale theatre productions including musicals, self-devised works and straight plays; technical theatre opportunities; strings, band (including jazz) and choir concerts from Grade 5 through High School on Campus and at local venues; opportunities to take private music lessons are all available to ISB students.

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2019-2020 University Offers and Matriculations

Average number of applications per student:

7



Listed below are the universities that offered ISB students places in 2019-20. Universities listed in bold are those to which ISB graduates matriculated to in the Fall of 2020.

United Kingdom

Abertay University
Arts University Bournemouth
 Cardiff University
 City, University of London
Goldsmiths, University of London
King's College London, University of London
Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts
London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London
London South Bank University
New College of the Humanities
Plymouth University
Queen Mary University of London
 Royal Holloway, University of London
SOAS, University of London
London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London
University of Bath
University of Bristol
University of Chichester
 University of Edinburgh
University of Exeter
University of Kent
University of Leeds
 University of Liverpool
University of Manchester
University of Reading
University of St Andrews
University of Sussex
University of Warwick
University of York
The University of Law (including De Broc School of Business)
York St John University

Europe

College of Art & Design
Delft University of Technology
École de Recherche Graphique
École des Hautes Etudes Commerciales du Nord
Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne
Erasmus University College Rotterdam
ESADE Business School
ESCP Business School
Eindhoven University of Technology
Humanitas University
Iceland University of the Arts
IE University
John Cabot University
Leiden University
LUISS Guido Carli University
Maastricht University
The Arctic University of Norway
The Hague University of Applied Sciences
The Polytechnic University of Milan
The Polytechnic University of Turin
Tilburg University
Université libre de Bruxelles
United International Business Schools
University College Utrecht
University College Roosevelt
University of Amsterdam
University of Groningen
University of Oslo
Willem de Kooning Academie

North America

Berklee College of Music
College of Charleston
College of William and Mary
Concordia University
Grinnell College
Hartwick College
Loyola University New Orleans
McGill University
McMaster University
New York University
Pace University
Purdue University
Queen's University
Radboud University
 Ryerson University
Saint Louis University
Salt Lake Community College
Savannah College of Art and Design
 Simon Fraser University
Smith College
The New School
Trinity College - Hartford, Connecticut
University of Connecticut
University of Toronto
 University of Maryland-Baltimore County
University of Maryland-College Park
University of North Carolina Wilmington
University of Vermont
Virginia Commonwealth University
Wake Forest University
 Western University

Rest of the World

American University Sharjah
Aoyama University
Aichi Gakuin University
Aichi Shukutoku University
Bunka Fashion College
Hokkaido University
Kwansei Gakuin University
Meiji University
Nagoya University
Okayama University
Osaka Prefecture University
Shinsyu University
Sophia University
Tokyo University
University of Auckland
Waseda University

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