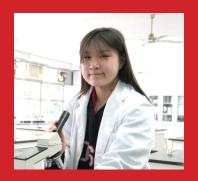


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DREAM!











SUCCEED!





CELEBRATE!



**WELCOME TO DSC!** 

### Vision & Mission

#### **Our Vision**

Inspire all to strive for excellence and contribute to a better world.

#### **Our Mission**

Provide an engaging and real world learning environment inspiring students to strive for excellence and make a positive difference within the local and global communities.

We will do this by promoting a love of learning and developing students' social, emotional, intellectual, and physical intelligence.

#### **Our Core Values**

- Fostering diversity
- Developing student success
- Supporting balance in life
- · Creating opportunities

#### Personality

- Integrity
- Dedicated
- Creative
- Collaborative
- Innovative

#### Performance

- Best value
- Global pathways
- Highly qualified teachers
- Excellent school leaders

#### Our Commitment to Safeguarding

We are committed to ensuring strong safeguarding policies, practices, and performance standards are in place to protect our students and community members. All staff undergo extensive background checks, criminal records checks, self-declaration processes, and sexual conviction record checks. Safeguarding is the responsibility of all school community members. Together, we ensure DSC offers a safe and inclusive learning environment so students can reach their maximum potential.

#### **Dream! Succeed! Celebrate!**

### Welcome



It is my privilege to extend a warm welcome to you on behalf of DSC International School (DSC), a distinguished Canadian International School with a rich legacy of over 38 years in educational excellence. Our innovative programs and dynamic curriculum are meticulously crafted to equip students with essential skills, comprehensive knowledge, and a global perspective. Our dedicated educators cultivate a supportive, challenging, and engaging learning environment that prepares graduates to excel in an ever-evolving world. This approach ensures that students develop transferable skills through our crosscurricular and integrated learning model. DSC's educational philosophy inspires students to pursue excellence and make a meaningful impact in both local and global communities. We achieve this by fostering a passion for learning and nurturing students' social, emotional, intellectual, and physical intelligence.

Our diverse student body represents over 50 nationalities, with more than 1,300 students enrolled from Early Years (4 years old) through Grade 12. As a through-train school, with all grades on the same campus, students forge strong connections, and our senior secondary students gain valuable leadership skills while mentoring and coaching younger students. DSC's community is founded on the principles of inclusivity, kindness, student success, and extracurricular enrichment.

A key strength of DSC lies in our professional and dedicated teaching team. On average, our educators have been part of the DSC community for over 9 years, ensuring continuity in planning, teaching, and learning. Our teachers embody the love of learning that they passionately advocate for within our student community. We firmly believe that ongoing professional development and upskilling are essential to maintaining our focus on student success by continually enhancing our teaching strategies, curriculum planning, assessment and evaluation methods, and other professional competencies.

DSC's Individual Pathways Program, commencing in Grade 7, is designed to assist students in identifying their aptitudes, passions, and interests, aligning these with appropriate post-secondary programs and destinations. DSC graduates receive offers from the top 50 universities worldwide, with popular destinations including Canada, the UK, Hong Kong, Japan, the USA, and Australia.

DSC has established a comprehensive five-year strategic plan aimed at steering organizational development to align with our strategic objectives, vision, and mission. This plan is subject to annual updates to promote a continuous improvement cycle, allowing for the modification of existing initiatives and the introduction of new ones in response to our evolving needs for school enhancement and community engagement. In recent years, we have established various learning environments focused on fostering innovation and creativity. Our comprehensive school improvement plan outlines our vision to modernize the campus learning spaces over the next five years.

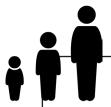
I encourage you to explore our website at www.dsc.edu.hk or contact us for a personalized campus tour and admissions consultation.

Dr. Jason Walter Head of School



Book a consultation

## Why DSC?



#### Through-train Program

We offer an excellent program for students ages 4 – 18. Students who enter DSC during Elementary years gain automatic admissions to our Secondary program.



#### Canadian Curriculum

Recognized as one of the best education systems in the world, Canada outperforms many other English speaking countries in international assessments (PISA).



#### **Global Pathways**

Students who graduate from DSC receive the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD). The OSSD is internationally recognized, allowing DSC graduates to receive offers from the top 50 universities worldwide, with many students receiving conditional acceptances prior to graduation.



#### **International Languages**

DSC is proud to be one of a few international schools in Hong Kong that offers three international languages (Chinese, French, and Japanese) starting from Pre-Grade 1.



#### **Multi-Cultural Environment**

DSC is one of the most diverse international schools with over 50 student nationalities, encouraging students' global perspective.

# Why DSC?



#### **Quality Teachers**

100% of our teachers are Education Bureau (EDB) qualified educators with more than 90% having additional registration in Canada with the Ontario College of Teachers (OCT).

DSC teachers also regularly pursue advanced degrees and specialized qualifications through OCT and top universities around the world. Nearly 50% of our teaching staff hold advanced degrees (Masters and/or Doctorates)



#### **Excellent Chinese Studies Program**

DSC's First Language Chinese program follows the National Curriculum designed by the People's Education Press in Beijing.



#### Social-Emotional Learning (SEL)

Whole-child education is necessary for the overall success of all children. Social Emotional Learning (SEL) is a key requirement for the success of students. SEL is built into the Canadian curriculum, integrated into daily classroom activities, academic lessons and school events.

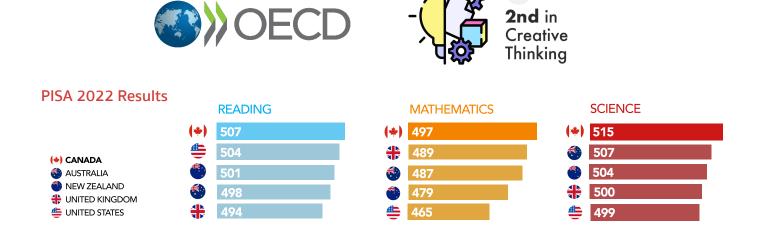


#### **Innovation and Design Thinking**

Students are constantly involved in multiple passion-based learning projects that require students to start, research, develop, experiment, and connect their knowledge to real-world scenarios.

### **Canadian Curriculum**

The Canadian Curriculum is an internationally recognized curriculum equivalent to many other leading curricula and education systems around the world. It has demonstrated its success through the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) 2022 results. Canada outperformed all other English-speaking countries in Reading, Mathematics, and Science. In addition, Canada also tied for 2nd place in the PISA Creative Thinking Assessment, placing significantly higher than the average across all OECD countries.



The Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) program is particularly suitable by design for students transitioning from a local curriculum into an international curriculum, and for athlete scholars or creative scholars who need the support of a flexible program that can be designed around their individual needs.

#### Comparison chart of OSSD / IB / A-levels / AP / DSE

|                               | Canadian  | IBDP             | A-Levels  | Advanced<br>Placement | DSE              |
|-------------------------------|---|------------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Country                       | Canada (Ontario)  | International    | UK        | US                    | НК               |
| Duration                      | Flexible  | 2 years          | 2 years   | Flexible              | 3 years          |
| Graduation Point              | January<br>June, August   | June             | June      | June                  | June             |
| Subject<br>Combination        | Flexible  | More constraints | Flexible  | Flexible              | More constraints |
| Community<br>Experience       | Yes   | Yes              | No        | No                    | No               |
| Exams                         | Internal with a compulsory Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test | External         | External  | External              | External         |
| Post-Secondary<br>Destination | Worldwide   | Worldwide        | Worldwide | Worldwide             | Worldwide        |

## **Our Teachers**

DSC International School is registered with the Ontario Ministry of Education where it is a requirement to maintain a minimum of 80% Ontario certified teachers within the school. However, we are committed to ensuring that all of our teachers are members of the Ontario College of Teachers (OCT).



## **Our Community**

We are proud of being a multicultural school with students enrolled from all around the world. We regularly host multicultural-themed events for our school community. One of our popular events – The DSC International Food Fair has been a special annual event supported by our vibrant

consulate community.



Albania

Argentina

Australia

Bangladesh

Belgium

Brazil

Brunei

Canada 9%

China 9%

Cuba

Egypt

France

Germany

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Hong Kong 29%

India 13%

Indonesia

Israel

Italy

Japan 15%

Korea 6%

Kuwait

Malaysia

Nepal

Netherlands

New Zealand

Norway

Pakistan

**Philippines** 

Poland

Russia

Saudi Arabia

Serbia

Singapore

South Africa

Spain

Sri Lanka

Taiwan

**Thailand** 

Türkiye

Turkmenistan

**United Kingdom 2%** 

**United States 4%** 

Vietnam

# **Our Campus**

Our school is conveniently located in the heart of Hong Kong, right next to the Tai Koo station. We operate our Early Years, Elementary, and Secondary sections in three buildings within the same campus. With **over 100 classrooms** and a large outdoor courtyard that consists of three basketball courts and a running track. DSC offers a spacious learning environment for all students.

- 5 STEAM and Robotic Studios
- 3 Art Studios
- 3 Drama and Dance Studios
- 3 Stages (Auditorium, Poets' Corner, and International Languages Open Stage)
- 3 Music Studios
- 2 Libraries (English and International Languages)









In addition, DSC students also enjoy many external facilities within walking distance, such as the Victoria Habour promenade, Tai Tam Country Park, Quarry Bay Park (football pitch and tennis court) and more ...

## **Through-train School**

### For students aged 4 – 18 years old

| Section     | Age* | Grade at<br>DSC | Canada/USA          | UK(Year)  | Hong<br>Kong |
|-------------|------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Early-Years | 4    | PG1B            | Junior Kindergarten | Reception | K2           |
|             | 5    | PG1A            | Senior Kindergarten | 1         | K3           |
| Elementary  | 6    | 1               | 1                   | 2         | P1           |
|             | 7    | 2               | 2                   | 3         | P2           |
|             | 8    | 3               | 3                   | 4         | P3           |
|             | 9    | 4               | 4                   | 5         | P4           |
|             | 10   | 5               | 5                   | 6         | P5           |
|             | 11   | 6               | 6                   | 7         | P6           |
| Secondary   | 12   | 7               | 7                   | 8         | F1           |
|             | 13   | 8               | 8                   | 9         | F2           |
|             | 14   | 9               | 9                   | 10        | F3           |
|             | 15   | 10              | 10                  | 11        | F4           |
|             | 16   | 11              | 11                  | 12        | F5           |
|             | 17   | 12              | 12                  | 13        | F6           |

<sup>\*</sup>The cut-off date for grade entry is December 31.







My family believes that "learning is a lifelong journey" and thus, we choose DSC to help my kids with a lovely and warm childhood that can support their lives. The school's unique approach to education strongly emphasizes teaching social skills, emotion management, and kindness from a young age, which we believe is the cornerstone of future success and effective learning.

The dedicated teachers at DSC foster a nurturing environment where children feel valued and supported. This focus on emotional intelligence and empathy enhances their social interactions and lays a solid foundation for their academic and personal growth.

At DSC, our child has thrived, developing meaningful friendships and a deep understanding of the importance of kindness. We couldn't have asked for a better educational experience.

Shawn (Grade 1) and Stephen (Grade 9) parent





I joined DSC when I was 5 years old. I wasn't fluent in English when I first joined, but caught up quickly with the supportive school environment here. I believe that my time at DSC shaped my positive attitude towards learning and overcoming challenges. During the younger years, the class activities were always fun to participate in and I looked forward to going to school everyday. This eventually led to my love of learning and motivation to aim higher, which still continues now in high school.

Another thing that I love about DSC is the multicultural community, it gave me the opportunity to make many friends from different countries, and I believe this really helped me to be more open-minded and conscious about the global awareness.

Kokoro (Grade 12)

I was a student at DSC from PG1 to Grade 12 and I have the honour of being back here, teaching English to Grade 7s. I always knew I wanted to be a teacher because I was inspired by all the wonderful teachers I had at DSC. This school guided me in finding my passion in English and turning that into a career by helping me develop and strengthen all the academic and learning skills I needed for university. Growing up, I loved being immersed in a multicultural environment and learning about different cultures through all the diverse friendships I made. I also loved having access to different subjects that enhanced my awareness of the world and challenged my critical thinking, collaboration and application skills. These are the qualities that brought me back to DSC to once again be immersed in a diverse environment, where I can now encourage students to grow their confidence and love for learning.

Ms. Ray (DSC Teacher and Alumni)





## **University Pathways**

Our ongoing success ensures a bright pathway to higher education worldwide. Every year, our graduates receive offers from the **top 100 universities** worldwide.

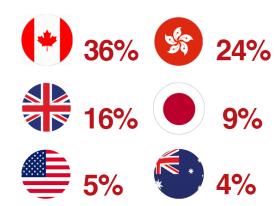
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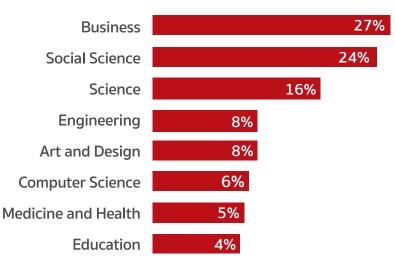
University Acceptance Rate (2021 – 2024)



Top 6 University Destinations (2021 – 2024)



Top 8 University fields accepted by our graduates (2021 – 2024)



## **Admissions**

#### Join us now!

We offer a rolling admissions policy throughout the school year so that students can start school at any time. Your child can join DSC any day of the month, any month of the school year. For High School Students we welcome new students at any point throughout their High School career. Students can join in Grade 9, Grade 10, Grade 11 or even in their final year (Grade 12) and still receive the world recognized Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

#### **Application Journey**

School tour and private consultation

Submission and review of application package and supporting documents

Interview and assessment/ evaluation

Acceptance to DSC



Visit www.dsc.edu.hk/admissions/application for more information.

#### Meet our Admissions team!

As a school that greatly celebrates diversity, we offer school tours and consultation in Cantonese, English, French, Hindi, and Putonghua.



## Information

Find out more about DSC from our website and publications:



**Videos and Brochures** 

dsc.edu.hk/admissions





Early Years (Pre-Grade 1B & A)

dsc.edu.hk/learning/early-years





Elementary (Grade 1 – 6)

dsc.edu.hk/learning/elementary





Secondary (Grade 7 – 12)

dsc.edu.hk/learning/secondary





**OSSD**<sup>†</sup> Signature Programs

dsc.edu.hk/learning/signature-program





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