

Graded is an American school serving an international community of learners by inspiring individual excellence.

CEEB Code: 910650  
UCAS Center Number: 46382

mission  
**inspire  
challenge  
succeed**  
every student  
every heart  
every mind

**Richard Boerner**  
Superintendent  
[richard.boerner@graded.br](mailto:richard.boerner@graded.br)

**Bryan Bordelon**  
High School Principal  
[bryan.bordelon@graded.br](mailto:bryan.bordelon@graded.br)

**Jeffrey Neill**  
Director of College Counseling  
[jeff.neill@graded.br](mailto:jeff.neill@graded.br)

**Trevor Rusert**  
Director of College Counseling  
[trevor.rusert@graded.br](mailto:trevor.rusert@graded.br)

**Janan Sabeh**  
Director of College Counseling  
[janan.sabeh@graded.br](mailto:janan.sabeh@graded.br)

**Mariana Mardegam**  
Registrar & Testing Coordinator  
[mariana.mardegam@graded.br](mailto:mariana.mardegam@graded.br)

**Natalia Perides**  
Office Manager  
[natalia.perides@graded.br](mailto:natalia.perides@graded.br)

**Want to visit Graded?**  
[Find us on CIALFO!](#)

## OUR SCHOOL

Founded in 1920, Graded - The American School of São Paulo (*Associação Escola Graduada de São Paulo*) is a PK-12, independent, coeducational, nonsectarian, nonprofit day school. At Graded, we strive to graduate learners who are curious, creative, collaborative, driven, and ethical. English is the language of instruction across all grade levels at Graded, which is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) in the United States and São Paulo Board of Education. Students earn a US high school diploma upon graduation and have the option of pursuing the International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma and/or a Brazilian diploma.



## OUR STUDENTS

Graded has a diverse student body. More than half of Graded students are international, and more than one-third hold citizenship in more than one country. Whether they are a part of the school community for a few years or progress through all 15 years as "lifers," students at Graded learn to embody the school's values of intellectual curiosity, perseverance, respect, integrity, and kindness in all they do.

Graded students have a love for learning and their school that is palpable. Inherently balanced, they understand the importance of a well-rounded education that incorporates academics with the arts, athletics, and service learning. There truly is a club for everyone, as extracurricular activities are an integral part of the overall Graded high school student experience. In addition to participating in JV and varsity sports, students initiate and lead 50+ clubs each year.

## 1312 STUDENTS

443  
High  
School

297  
Middle  
School

572  
Lower  
School

42 NATIONALITIES  
1/3 of students hold  
citizenship in more than  
one country

50%  
Brazilian



Class of 2023:  
111 STUDENTS

## OUR ACADEMIC PROGRAM

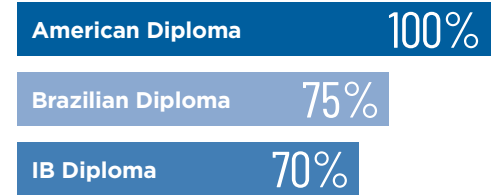
In order to graduate from Graded and earn an American high school diploma, students must earn a minimum of 24 credits across eight disciplines. In addition to the American high school diploma, students can earn the IB diploma and/or the Brazilian diploma by adhering to their specific program requirements.

No matter their intended diploma(s), all Graded students take IB courses in grades 11 and 12. Although all Graded students take IB courses as part of the American high school diploma requirements, they are not required

to sit for IB exams unless enrolled in the IB Diploma Program. Students enrolled in the IB Diploma Program are restricted from taking more than 3 SL and 3 HL courses. A complete list of course offerings at Graded can be found in our [Course Catalog](#).

The American high school diploma graduation requirements also fulfill the majority of the Brazilian Accredited Program (BAP) requirements. However, to earn the Brazilian diploma, students must also take Portuguese language courses each year and meet Brazilian Social Studies competencies.

**Class of 2023**  
**111 STUDENTS**



## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS BY DIPLOMA TYPE

American Diploma (grades 9-12)	IB Diploma (grades 11 and 12)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 years of English</li> <li>3 years of World Languages</li> <li>3 years of Mathematics</li> <li>3 years of Social Studies</li> <li>3 years of Science</li> <li>1.5 years of Visual &amp; Performing Arts / Design &amp; Technology</li> <li>1.5 years of Physical Education</li> <li>0.5 years of Health</li> </ul>	<p>Year 1 and 2 of SL/HL courses in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Studies in Language and Literature</li> <li>Language Acquisition</li> <li>Individuals and Societies</li> <li>Sciences</li> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>The Arts</li> </ul> <p>And successful completion of the IB Core:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Theory of Knowledge (TOK)</li> <li>The Extended Essay (EE)</li> <li>Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS)</li> </ul>

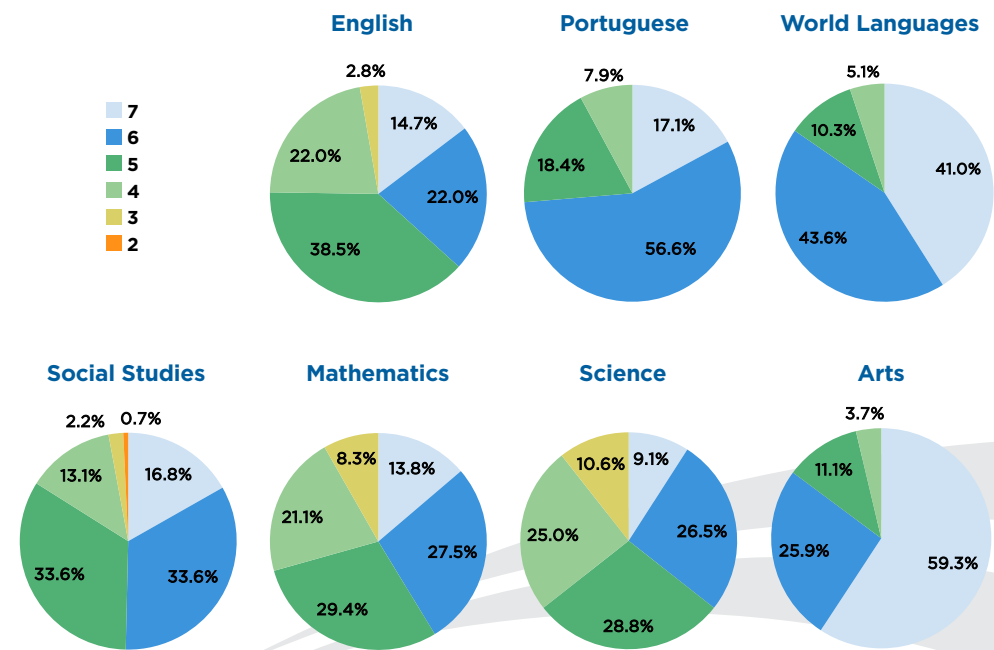
## GRADING SCALE

The Graded 1-7 grading scale is informed by but not equivalent to the IB 1-7 grading system. We do not calculate GPAs or rank our students, nor do we provide IB predicted grades unless explicitly requested by an institution as part of the college admissions process.

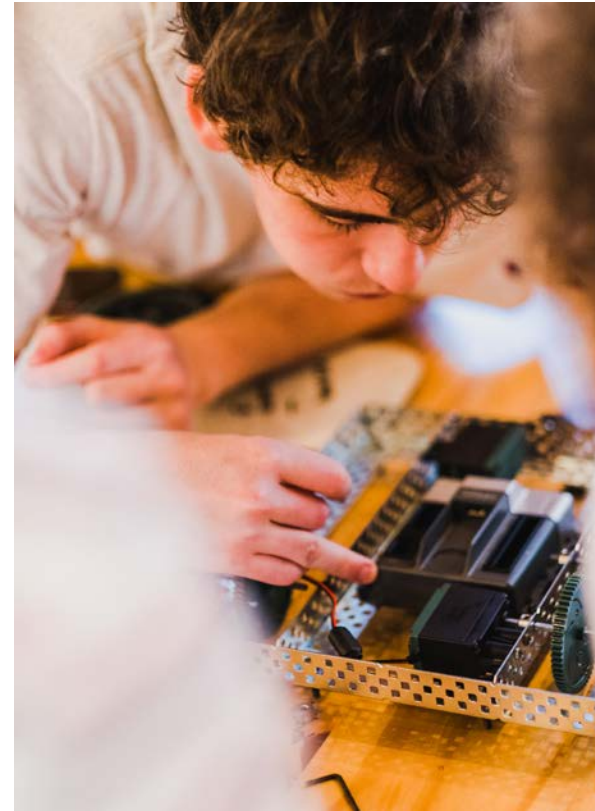
Grade	Grade Descriptor	Comparison
7	Exemplary	97-100
6	Accomplished	90-96
5	Proficient	84-89
4	Approaching Proficiency	77-83
3	Progressing	70-76
2	Emerging	65-69
1	Insufficient	0-64
NE	Not Enough Evidence to Report on Learning	

Shaded grades indicate non-passing grades.

## % GRADE DISTRIBUTION DURING SENIOR YEAR (CLASS OF 2023)



NOTE: Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.



## HIGHLIGHTS

- English is the language of instruction at Graded. The only exceptions are world language courses and the Brazilian Social Studies (BrSS) courses required for the BAP. While we provide English Language Learner (ELL) courses to a small number of students in grades 9 and 10, these courses are taken in addition to their regular English classes, indicating a high level of fluency.
- Deeper learning at Graded is grounded in the belief that enduring learning experiences occur when students have a strong sense of belonging, purpose, autonomy, and motivation. Graded students are taught to "learn how to learn" by applying effective cognitive learning methodologies. To this end, all faculty participate in a deeper learning model of continuous professional development.
- Graded offers a wide array of extracurricular programs and activities, including more than 50 student-run clubs, nine interscholastic sports teams, and several elite music performance groups. Additionally, students in grades 4 through 12 participate in Classroom Without Walls (CWW) experiences, which involve trips to different parts of Brazil focusing on community and leadership development.
- Graded is intentional about its work around Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB). As such, efforts are being made to address the needs for belonging and SEL amongst our student body and community; to provide faculty with meaningful and relevant professional learning experiences related to DEIB; to review our curriculum through the lens of DEIB; and to engage our families in our efforts to engender a more inclusive and equitable community.

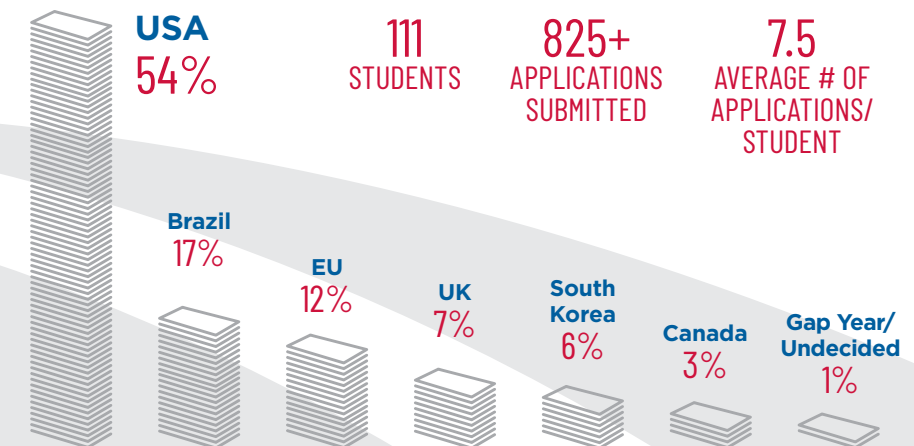
## ACCREDITATIONS

- New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)
- São Paulo Board of Education
- The International Baccalaureate (IB)

## MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS

- American International Schools in the Americas (AMISA)
- Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools (ACCIS)
- Council of International Schools (CIS)
- National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC)
- International Association for College Admission Counseling (IACAC)
- EXPLO Elevate

## WHERE DID THE CLASS OF 2023 GO?





## MATRICULATION LIST (2021-2023)

We include multiple years of matriculations because many colleges and universities around the world begin the academic year after the publication of our annual school profile, including Brazil, South Korea, and Australia. A three-year listing is more representative of the diversity of institutions our students attend.

AERES UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES  
AMSTERDAM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE  
BABSON COLLEGE  
BARNARD COLLEGE  
BAYLOR UNIVERSITY  
BEACON COLLEGE  
BELAS ARTES  
BENTLEY UNIVERSITY  
BERKLEE COLLEGE OF MUSIC  
BOCCONI UNIVERSITY  
BOSTON COLLEGE  
BOSTON UNIVERSITY  
BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY  
BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY-IDAHO  
BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY-PROVO  
BROWN UNIVERSITY  
CALVIN UNIVERSITY  
CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY  
CITY, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON  
COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON  
COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS  
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
CORNELL UNIVERSITY  
DENISON UNIVERSITY  
DEPAUL UNIVERSITY  
DUKE UNIVERSITY  
ECOLE HOTELIERE DE LAUSANNE  
EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY  
EMORY UNIVERSITY  
ERASMUS UNIVERSITY ROTTERDAM  
ESPM  
FAAP  
FUNDAÇÃO GETULIO VARGAS  
FORDHAM UNIVERSITY  
FRANKFURT UNIVERSITY OF MUSIC  
& PERFORMING ARTS  
FRANKLIN & MARSHALL COLLEGE  
GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE  
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY  
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
GOLDSMITHS, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON  
HUMANITAS UNIVERSITY  
INSTITUT FRANÇAIS DE LA MODE  
IBMEC  
IE UNIVERSITY - MADRID CAMPUS  
IE UNIVERSITY - SEGOVIA CAMPUS  
IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON  
INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON  
INSPER  
INSTITUTO DE TECNOLOGIA E LIDERANÇA  
JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY  
KOREA ADVANCED INSTITUTE OF  
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (KAIST)  
KING'S COLLEGE LONDON  
LEIDEN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE THE HAGUE



LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND  
POLITICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON  
LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY  
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO  
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS  
LYNN UNIVERSITY  
MARIST COLLEGE  
MCGILL UNIVERSITY  
MCMASTER UNIVERSITY  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE  
NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY  
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY  
NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY  
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY  
OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE  
PARSONS SCHOOL OF DESIGN  
PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY  
POMONA COLLEGE  
PURDUE UNIVERSITY  
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY  
SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY  
SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO  
SEMMELOWEIS UNIVERSITY  
STANFORD UNIVERSITY  
STRATHCLYDE UNIVERSITY  
SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY  
SUNY AT ALBANY  
SWARTHMORE COLLEGE  
SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY  
TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITEIT EINDHOVEN  
THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER  
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY  
THE NEW SCHOOL  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN  
TILBURG UNIVERSITY

TRINITY COLLEGE  
TUFTS UNIVERSITY  
TULANE UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS LONDON -  
LONDON COLLEGE OF FASHION  
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE MAASTRICHT  
UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM  
UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO  
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT  
URBANA-CHAMPAIGN  
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-ANN ARBOR  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA-TWIN CITIES  
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME  
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER  
UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA  
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH  
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA  
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON  
UNIVERSITY OF WESTMINSTER  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON  
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY  
VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY  
VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT AMSTERDAM  
WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY  
WELLESLEY COLLEGE  
WILLIAMS COLLEGE  
YALE UNIVERSITY

### GRADED - THE AMERICAN SCHOOL OF SÃO PAULO

CEEB 910-650

Av. José Galante, 425 • São Paulo, SP • 05642-000 • Brazil  
+55 11 3747 4800 • [www.graded.br](http://www.graded.br)