

2024 – 2025 HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Founded in 1973, Seoul International School provides a challenging college preparatory, American curriculum. The preK-12 total enrollment is 802, with 300 students in grades 9-12. Of the 72 seniors, 95% are ethnically Korean and nearly all are bilingual, often speaking English as a second or third language. Most hold citizenship or permanent residency from the United States and/or the Republic of Korea.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Over 70 courses are offered, and at least six of eight blocks in students' schedules are devoted to core requirements. Students have four 80-minute periods daily alternating Day A, Day B. All classes are designed and taught at accelerated levels.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students may graduate from SIS with a diploma after accumulating at least 25 credits. Students who earn 29 credits or more, meet core course requirements, and have no semester grade below 74 receive a *Diploma with Honors*. The school recommends students take the following units (one year, or two semesters, is equivalent to one credit):

English – 6 required	Social Studies – 3 required	PE / Health – 2 required
Mathematics – 3-4 (2 required)	World Languages – 2	Academic Electives – 9
Science – 3 (2 required)	Fine/Performing Arts – 1 required	

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

We offer 23 AP courses. 10th grade students may take AP Biology *or* AP World History. We recommend a maximum of three AP courses for 11th graders and a maximum of four AP courses for seniors. Most SIS students take 8-10 AP classes.

Teacher recommendations are required to take AP classes. Students are required to sit for the AP exam, and students who complete AP exams independently are not allowed to later take the AP course at SIS.

AP Computer Science Principles is no longer offered as of 2023-2024 but was taken by some students in the classes of 2024 and 2025. These cohorts also had the choice to take AP US History in 10th grade.

In spring 2024, 214 students took 642 AP exams. Students earned 5s on 60% of exams, 4s on 28% of exams, and 3s on 9% of exams. 31% of the 2024 graduating class earned the *AP Capstone Diploma*.

Biology	English Language & Composition	Art History
Chemistry	English Literature & Composition	Drawing
Environmental Science		2-D Design
Physics I	Chinese	3-D Design
Physics II	Spanish	
Calculus AB	Economics	Seminar
Calculus BC	Psychology	Research
Computer Science A	US History	
Statistics	World History	

GRADING

Academic progress is reported at the end of every semester. The minimum passing grade is 66. All semester grades are unweighted and based on summative assessments. SIS emphasizes skills-based assessment that evaluates students' understanding through the transfer of content knowledge and skills.

The school maintains an Honor Roll: *Award of Excellence* (Average 94+; no grade below an 84) and *Award of Merit* (Average 88+; no grade below 74). Students with a 95 average and no grade below 90 are invited to become part of National Honor Society in 11th grade.

CLASS RANK

Valedictorian and Salutatorian are determined based on class rank after fall semester senior year. Beyond that, SIS does not rank students, as it exaggerates negligible differences between students who tend to fall in a very narrow, high band of performance.

DISCIPLINARY POLICY

SIS does not disclose disciplinary records to colleges/universities or other external organizations.

Top 15 Private Schools in Asia
2023 Global School Index
by CARFAX Education

World's Top High School Outside US and UK
HSBC Hurun Education Global High Schools, 2024

**Best International High Schools
in the World (#15)**
CEOWorld Magazine, 2024

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE: CLASSES OF 2020-2024

(Orange reflects the class of 2024)

United States

Adelphi University 2 (1)
Art Center College of Design 1
Barnard College 1
Berklee College of Music 2
Boston College 3 (1)
Boston University 3 (1)
Brandeis University 1
Brown University 9 (3)
California College of the Arts 2
California Institute of the Arts 1
Carnegie Mellon University 21 (3)
Case Western Reserve University 8 (3)
Claremont McKenna College 2
Columbia Sciences Po 1
Columbia University 8 (2)
Cooper Union 4
Cornell University 20 (4)
Dartmouth College 8 (4)
Dickinson College 1
Duke University 8 (2)
Emerson College 1
Emory University 7 (1)
Eugene Lang College 1
George Washington University 1
Georgetown University 8
Georgia Institute of Technology 3
Hardin-Simmons University 1
Harvard University 5 (1)
Johns Hopkins University 9 (2)
Michigan State University 1
MIT 2
Mount Holyoke College 1
New York University 51 (11)
Northeastern University 11 (2)
Northwestern University 12 (3)
Occidental College 2
Otis College of Art and Design 1
Oxford College of Emory Univ. 2
Parsons School of Design 5
Pratt Institute 2

Princeton University 3 (1)
Purdue University 3 (1)
Rhode Island School of Design 11 (3)
Rice University 3
Saint Louis University 1
School of the Art Inst. of Chicago 2
Stanford University 11 (1)
Stevens Institute of Technology 1
Syracuse University 1
Tufts University 9 (2)
Tulane University 1 (1)
Univ. of California: Berkeley 31 (3)
Univ. of California: Davis 2 (1)
Univ. of California: Irvine 10 (2)
Univ. of California: Los Angeles 12 (1)
Univ. of California: San Diego 5 (1)
Univ. of California: Santa Barbara 5
Univ. of Chicago 7 (1)
Univ. of Detroit Mercy 1
Univ. of Illinois: Urbana-Champaign 12 (2)
Univ. of Michigan 5
Univ. of Nevada: Las Vegas 1
Univ. of North Carolina: Chapel Hill 1
Univ. of Notre Dame 2
Univ. of Pennsylvania 3 (1)
Univ. of Rochester 3
Univ. of Southern California 17 (1)
Univ. of Texas: Austin 3
Univ. of the Pacific 1
Univ. of Vermont 1
Univ. of Virginia 1
Univ. of Washington 2
Univ. of Wisconsin: Madison 1
Vanderbilt University 2
Vassar College 1
Washington Univ. in St. Louis 11 (3)
Wellesley College 1
Wesleyan University 6 (1)
Wheaton College (MA) 2
Yale University 2

Australia

University of Sydney 2

Canada

University of British Columbia 1
University of Toronto 9 (2)
University of Western Ontario 1

China

Hong Kong University of Science & Technology 1
University of Hong Kong 2

Japan

Temple University 1
Waseda University 1

Korea

Ewha Woman's University 1
George Mason University 1

Netherlands

Leiden University 1

Singapore

National University of Singapore 1

Switzerland

Glion Institute 1

United Kingdom

Durham University 1
London School of Economics 1



Class of 2024 SAT SCORES

Percentile	Total	ERW	Math	Reading	Writing & Language	Math	Analysis in History/ Social Studies	Analysis in Science
75th	1560	770	800					
50th	1530	750	790	39	40	40	40	40
25th	1480	710	770	37	38	39.5	38	38