



Seoul International School

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2023 – 2024 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 804, with 295 students in grades 9-12. Of the 72 seniors, 98% 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 have 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. Teacher recommendations and departmental approval are required. 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 classes also had the choice to take AP US History in 10th grade.

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. In spring 2023, 224 students took 669 A.P. exams. Students earned 5s on 43% of exams, 4s on 27% of exams, and 3s on 18% of exams.

Most SIS students take 8-10 AP classes. 26% of the 2023 graduating class earned the *AP Capstone Diploma*.

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

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+) and Award of Merit (Average 88+). 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, we do not rank students, as it exaggerates negligible differences between our students who tend to fall in a very narrow, high band of performance.

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE: CLASSES OF 2019-2023

First number reflects five-year total (Second number reflects the class of 2023)

United States

Adelphi University 1 (1)
 Amherst College 1
 Art Center College of Design 1
 Bard College 1
 Barnard College 1 (1)
 Bennington College 1
 Berklee College of Music 2 (1)
 Boston College 3
 Boston University 3 (1)
 Brandeis University 2
 Brown University 6 (2)
 California College of the Arts 2
 California Institute of the Arts 1 (1)
 Carnegie Mellon University 24 (2)
 Case Western Reserve University 6 (3)
 Claremont McKenna College 2 (1)
 Colgate University 1
 Columbia Sciences Po 1 (1)
 Columbia University 6 (2)
 Cooper Union 5
 Cornell University 22 (2)
 Dartmouth College 4 (3)
 Dickinson College 1
 Drew University 1
 Duke University 8 (1)
 Emerson College 2
 Emory University 8 (2)
 Eugene Lang College 1
 George Washington University 1
 Georgetown University 10 (3)
 Georgia Institute of Technology 3 (2)
 Hardin-Simmons University 2
 Harvard University 5 (1)
 Johns Hopkins University 11 (1)
 Michigan State University 1
 Middlebury College 1
 MIT 2
 Mount Holyoke College 1
 New York University 52 (11)
 Northeastern University 12

Northwestern University 12 (1)
 Occidental College 2
 Otis College of Art and Design 1
 Oxford College of Emory Univ. 2 (2)
 Parsons School of Design 6 (3)
 Pratt Institute 3
 Princeton University 2
 Purdue University 2
 Rhode Island School of Design 10 (1)
 Rice University 4 (1)
 Saint Louis University 1
 School of the Art Inst. of Chicago 2
 Smith College 1
 Stanford University 10
 Stevens Institute of Technology 1
 Syracuse University 1 (1)
 Tufts University 7 (1)
 Univ. of California: Berkeley 41 (4)
 Univ. of California: Davis 1 (1)
 Univ. of California: Irvine 9 (2)
 Univ. of California: Los Angeles 11 (6)
 Univ. of California: San Diego 4
 Univ. of California: Santa Barbara 6
 Univ. of Chicago 6 (2)
 Univ. of Detroit Mercy 1
 Univ. of Illinois: Urbana-Champaign 14 (3)
 Univ. of Michigan 6 (2)
 Univ. of Nevada: Las Vegas 1
 Univ. of North Carolina: Chapel Hill 2
 Univ. of Notre Dame 3 (1)
 Univ. of Pennsylvania 4
 Univ. of Rochester 3
 Univ. of Southern California 18 (4)
 Univ. of Texas: Austin 3 (2)
 Univ. of the Pacific 1
 Univ. of Vermont 1
 Univ. of Virginia 1
 Univ. of Washington 2 (1)
 Univ. of Wisconsin: Madison 1
 Vanderbilt University 4
 Vassar College 1

Washington University in St. Louis 12 (3)
 Wellesley College 3
 Wesleyan University 6 (1)
 Wheaton College (MA) 2
 Yale University 2 (1)

Australia

University of Sydney 2

Canada

University of British Columbia 1
 University of Toronto 7 (2)
 University of Western Ontario 1

China

Hong Kong University of Science & Technology 3
 University of Hong Kong 3 (1)

Japan

Temple University 1
 Waseda University 2

Korea

Ewha Woman's University 2
 George Mason University 1

Netherlands

Leiden University 1

Singapore

National University of Singapore 1

Switzerland

Glion Institute 1

United Kingdom

Durham University 1 (1)
 London School of Economics 2 (1)
 University of Oxford 2



Class of 2023 SAT SCORES	Section Scores			Test Scores			Cross-test Scores	
	Total	ERW	Math	Reading	Writing & Language	Math	Analysis in History/ Social Studies	Analysis in Science
75th	1570	770	800	38	39	40	39	39
50th	1530	740	790	37	38	39.5	37	37
25th	1470	700	760	34	36	38	35	35

Impact of COVID-19 on the SIS community

SIS students were online continuously from February-June 2020 and spent a large percent of the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years online. Following government guidelines, we adjusted and readjusted to being fully online, having only two high school grades in person at the same time (i.e., 50% capacity), and having all high school grades in person at the same time. Students have consistently been in school in person since March 2022. Summative assessments were conducted when students were physically in school (except during spring 2020). The indoor mask mandate was lifted as of January 30, 2023.

Disciplinary Policy

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