



# DWIGHT SEOUL

## School Profile 2023 - 2024

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### THE DWIGHT SCHOOLS

The Dwight Schools, a world-renowned network of independent International Baccalaureate World Schools, was founded in New York in 1872. Dwight now has campuses in New York, London, Seoul, Shanghai, Dubai, Hanoi (opening in 2024), and a campus in the cloud, Dwight Global Online. Each Campus is independent yet connected to the network's central administration in New York, ensuring all students receive an excellent, personalized education experience. Students participate in various cross-campus exchanges, curricular and creative collaborations, community service, and leadership programs. The Dwight schools network boasts an international student body representing over 50 nationalities with graduates who enroll in top colleges and universities worldwide, including North America, Europe, Asia, and Australia.

### DWIGHT SEOUL

Dwight Seoul is the first international school in South Korea to offer the comprehensive International Baccalaureate curriculum for Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 students. Students engage with global challenges through inquiry, action, and reflection. We serve both international and Korean students with overseas exposure. English is the language of instruction. Dwight Seoul is in a strategic partnership with the Global School Foundation (GSF), with headquarters based in Singapore.

### ADMINISTRATION

**Tom Ferguson**  
Head of School

**Cameron Forbes**  
Upper School Principal

### UNIVERSITY & CAREER COUNSELING

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Student : Teacher Ratio

8:1

Staff with Advanced Degrees

94%

469

Pre-K - G12  
Enrollment

39

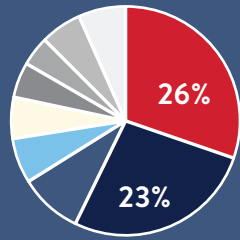
Class of 2024

41

Nationalities

### STUDENT NATIONALITIES

USA  
KOREA  
SAUDI ARABIA  
JAPAN  
CANADA  
INDIA  
CHINA  
EUROPE/UK  
OTHER



### MISSION & PRINCIPLES

The mission of Dwight Seoul is to provide an international education to the highest recognized academic standards. Dwight Seoul is committed to finding and igniting the spark of genius in every child. Kindling their interests, we develop inquisitive, informed, self-aware, and ethical citizens who will build a better world. Each Dwight School rests on three pillars: personalized learning, community, and global vision.

### ACCREDITATION

International Baccalaureate Organization , Council of International Schools, New England Association of Schools & Colleges, East Asia Regional Council of Schools.

### MEMBERSHIP

Eco Schools, Common Sense Education, National Association for College Admission Counseling, International Association for College Admission Counseling.

Class of 2024  
US Citizens

13%

140

Students in  
grades 9 - 12



## DWIGHT SEOUL'S RESPONSE TO COVID -19

Due to the spread of COVID-19, Dwight Seoul transitioned to online, synchronous classes from March 2020 until the end of the school year; the grading rubric remained unchanged. Synchronous online classes were offered until the end of the 2019-20 school year, and the grading rubric remained the same throughout. Dwight Seoul opened its Upper School for the Fall semester on August 16, 2020, with a hybrid plan for attendance: two-thirds of each graduating class attended school in person every other week. Dwight Seoul has been entirely in-person since the start of the 2021-22 school year.

## DIVISION & CURRICULUM STRUCTURE



180 School Days

Semester 1  
Aug 16 - Dec 15

Semester 2  
Jan 08 - Jun 13

Grade 12  
Graduation  
May 31, 2023

## IB MYP GRADE 9 & GRADE 10

All students study two languages, with at least one at the Language and Literature level. They also choose between Design, Physical Health and Education (PHE), or Arts (Visual, Music, Drama, Media) to complete their ePortfolio. Language Acquisition and Mathematics (Standard/Extended) are tracked by ability. Science courses include topics in Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. Grade 10 students complete the Personal Project and must meet the school's service requirements.

## IB DP GRADE 11 & GRADE 12

Starting in Grade 11, students participate in the IB Diploma Programme. To obtain the IB Diploma, students pursue studies in six academic subjects, three of which are studied at the Higher Level (HL). In addition to the six academic subject areas, the Diploma Programme includes three Core requirements: Theory of Knowledge (TOK), Extended Essay (EE), and CAS. TOK is a two-year course where students learn to reflect critically on diverse ways of knowing and areas of knowledge. Students produce a 4000-word academic research essay on a subject they choose for the EE. CAS is a requirement where students participate in various activities based on Creativity, Activity, and Service. Students may opt to enroll in IB Diploma Courses rather than the full Diploma, in which students complete DP courses of their choice and work towards the Dwight Diploma requirements, including participation and completion of CAS.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete 24 credit points and their CAS requirements to receive the Dwight Diploma. Credits may be transferred from other accredited high schools at the discretion of Dwight Seoul.

Subject	Credit
English	4
Mathematics	3
Social Science/Humanities	3
Sciences	3
Languages other than English	3
Art/Design/PHE	2
IB Core*	2
Electives/Other	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>

\*Theory of Knowledge and Extended Essay earn 0.5 credits each year, which are in the IB Core category.

## GRADING POLICY & SCALE

Students are assessed using the 1-7 grading system of the IB. A grade of 3 is considered to be the minimum passing grade in MYP years, and a grade of 2 in the DP years. Students receive report cards each quarter, but transcript grades represent end-of-year grades only. Dwight Seoul does not report GPA nor rank our students.

IB 1-7	Grade Description
7	Excellent
6	Very Good
5	Good
4	Satisfactory
3	Mediocre
2	Poor
1	Very Poor

\*TOK is graded on a scale of A - E, while EE is graded based on whether the student is below, approaching, meeting, or exceeding expectations for the interim, and a final A - E grade is given at the closing of the term.

## DP COURSE OFFERINGS

### Group 1

English A Literature HL/SL  
English A Lang & Lit HL/SL  
Korean A Lang & Lit HL/SL  
SSST SL

### Group 2

English B HL/SL  
Chinese B HL/SL  
Spanish B HL/SL  
Spanish Ab Initio SL  
German Ab Initio SL

### Group 3

Business Management HL/SL  
Economics HL/SL  
History HL/SL  
Psychology HL/SL

### Group 4

Biology HL/SL  
Chemistry HL/SL  
Physics HL/SL  
Computer Science HL/SL

### Group 5

Mathematics Applications  
& Interpretations HL/SL  
Mathematics A Analysis &  
Approaches HL/SL

### Group 6

Music HL/SL  
Theatre HL/SL  
Visual Arts HL/SL  
Film HL/SL

### Core

Theory of Knowledge  
Extended Essay  
CAS

## Class of 2024 Highlights



## Class of 2024 Grade DP 1 Grade Distribution

DP SUBJECT AREA	# of Students	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Group 1 : Studies in Language and Literature	39	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Group 2 : Language Acquisition	39	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Group 3 : Individuals & Societies	39	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Group 4 : Experimental Sciences	39	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Group 5 : Mathematics	39	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Group 6 : The Arts	14	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

## SAT Results\*

Class	SAT	EBRW	Mathematics	Total	# of Students	National Merit Semi-Finalists c/o 2023 (2)
2024	Middle 50%	610 - 670	650 - 780	1330 - 1460	13	* As of August 2023
2023	Middle 50%	635 - 720	690 - 780	1360 - 1480	16	
2022	Middle 50%	545 - 720	615 - 785	1195 - 1495	20	

## IB Trend Data

	2023	2022	2021
IB Diploma Certificate Candidates	27	29	25
IB Diploma Courses Candidates	6	7	6
Dwight Seoul Avg. Points	34	34	35
World Average Points	30	31.9	33.0
Dwight Seoul Highest Score	45	43	45
Dwight Seoul Pass Rate	88%	96%	100%
World Pass Rate	80%	86%	89%
Awarded 40 points or Above	7	5	4

### Class of 2023 Highlights:

26 % achieved 40 points or above

18 Subject Averages Above the World Mean

Highest Score: 45

## Extracurriculars

Dwight Seoul offers a variety of extracurricular activities for the students to develop their spark of genius. Students compete in the Korean American Interscholastic Activities Conference in eight varsity teams: Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Cross-Country, Track and Field, Robotics, Forensics, and Swimming. Some popular non-KAIAC activities include Model United Nations, Mu Alpha Theta, Contemporary Band, Medical Council, Orchestra, News & Film Society, Science Olympiad, Eco Council, and Student Council.



# Acceptances

## University Outcomes from the Classes of 2021 - 2023

We limit the number of applications to 12 worldwide in one admissions cycle to encourage students to choose universities and colleges thoughtfully and wisely when applying. Below are the universities and colleges to which Dwight Seoul students have been accepted. Students matriculated to schools listed in bold.

### Asia

George Mason University Korea  
Hankuk University of Foreign Studies  
Hanyang University  
**Hitotsubashi University**  
International Christian University  
Keio University  
Kookmin University  
**Korea University**  
**Kyung Hee University**  
Lakeland University  
NUCB  
National Taiwan University  
**Rikkyo University**  
Ritsumeikan University  
Sogang University  
Sophia University  
Sungkyunkwan University  
**Suny Korea**  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong  
**HKUST**  
The University of Hong Kong  
**The University of Tokyo**  
**The University of Utah Asia Campus**  
**Tokyo International University**  
**Waseda University**  
**Yonsei University**

### Canada

Acadia University  
Algoma University  
Carleton University  
Fraser International College  
Humber College  
McMaster University  
Queen's University  
Saint Mary's University  
Simon Fraser University  
**The University of British Columbia**  
**Toronto Metropolitan University**  
Trent University  
University of Alberta  
University of Calgary  
University of Guelph  
University of Lethbridge  
University of New Brunswick  
University of Ottawa  
**University of Toronto**  
University of Victoria  
**University of Waterloo**  
University of Windsor  
Western University  
York University

### Europe

Eindhoven University of Technology  
**Franklin University Switzerland**  
**Ghent University**  
**Saint Louis University - Madrid**  
The American University of Paris  
University of Amsterdam  
University of Twente  
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

### United States

Arizona State University  
Ashland University  
Auburn University  
**Augustana University**  
Beloit College  
Berkeley College-New York  
**Berklee College of Music**  
**Binghamton University**  
**Boston College**  
Boston University  
Brandeis University  
Bryn Mawr College  
**Carnegie Mellon University**  
Chapman University  
**Colorado School of Mines**  
Cornell College  
Cuny Borough of Manhattan Community College  
Cuny Queens College  
**Denison University**  
Drexel University  
Embry-Riddle-Daytona Beach  
**Emory University**  
Fordham University  
**George Mason University**  
George Washington University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Georgia State University-Perimeter College  
Hampton University  
**Haverford College**  
Hawaii Pacific University  
**Howard Community College**  
**Indiana University-Bloomington**  
Iowa State University  
**Johns Hopkins University**  
Johnson & Wales University  
Longwood University  
**Loyola Marymount University**  
Macalester College  
Manhattan College  
Marymount Manhattan College  
**Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences**  
Menlo College  
**Michigan State University**  
Missouri University of Science and Technology  
Musicians Institute  
New York Institute of Technology  
**New York University**  
**Northeastern University**  
**Northwestern University**  
Ohio Northern University  
Ohio State University-Main Campus  
Pace University  
**Pasadena City College**  
Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University  
**Pennsylvania State University**  
Pepperdine University  
**Pitzer College**  
**Purdue University**

### United States

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
**Rochester Institute of Technology**  
Rutgers University-New Brunswick  
Saddleback College  
San Diego State University  
San Diego State University  
San Francisco Conservatory of Music  
Santa Clara University  
**Stanford University**  
Stony Brook University  
Suffolk County Community College  
Suny At Albany  
Suny At Purchase College  
Suny Buffalo State  
Suny College of Technology At Canton  
Suny Morrisville  
Susquehanna University  
**Syracuse University**  
Temple University  
The College of Wooster  
University At Buffalo  
University of Arizona  
University of California-Davis  
University of California-Irvine  
**University of California-Los Angeles**  
University of California-Riverside  
**University of California-San Diego**  
**University of California-Santa Barbara**  
University of California-Santa Cruz  
**University of Colorado Boulder**  
University of Georgia  
**University of Hawaii At Manoa**  
University of Illinois Chicago  
**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**  
University of Kansas  
University of La Verne  
**University of Maryland-College Park**  
University of Massachusetts-Amherst  
**University of Massachusetts-Boston**  
University of Massachusetts-Lowell  
University of Miami  
**University of Michigan-Ann Arbor**  
**University of Minnesota-Twin Cities**  
University of Nevada-Las Vegas  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Richmond  
University of Rochester  
University of San Diego  
University of San Francisco  
**University of Southern California**  
University of Utah  
University of Washington-Seattle  
**University of Wisconsin-Madison**  
Villanova University  
Wake Forest University  
Wartburg College  
**Washington University In St Louis**  
**Wells College**  
Whittier College

### United Kingdom

Bath Spa University  
Birmingham City University  
Bristol, University of the West of England  
Brunel University London  
Cardiff University  
Coventry University  
Durham University  
Goldsmiths, University of London  
**Hult International Business School**  
King's College London  
Kingston College  
Kingston University  
London Metropolitan University  
London School of Economics and Political Science  
Loughborough University  
Queen Mary University of London  
Royal Holloway  
Solent University (southampton)  
Staffordshire University  
The University of Edinburgh  
University College London  
University For the Creative Arts  
University of Bath  
University of Birmingham  
University of Brighton  
University of Bristol  
**University of Exeter**  
University of Leicester  
University of Manchester  
**University of Surrey**  
**University of the Arts London**  
University of Westminster, London  
University of Winchester

### Australia

The University of New South Wales

### C/O of 2023 Matriculation by Region



93 % of graduates were admitted to degree granting institutions. 7% are either gap year students, or awaiting results.

