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**Our Vision**

Nurturing education as  
 driving force for → curiosity,  
 passion, purpose,  
 and transformation.

**School Accreditations**

New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)  
 International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO)  
 Ecuadorian Ministry of Education

**School & Community**

Academia Cotopaxi American International School (AC) is a private, independent, coeducational, and inclusive American international day school serving students from Preschool through Grade 12. We are a member of American International Schools in the Americas (AMISA). The School was founded in 1959 and is located in Ecuador’s capital city, Quito. The student body consists of 558 students in three divisions, Elementary School, Middle School, and High School. 75% of our teachers have Master's Degrees.

We expect the class of 2026 to have 37 graduates. Academia Cotopaxi is proudly international in its student body, enrolling students from 35 countries. 60% of our students are international and 40% are Ecuadorian. Of the international students, 28% are North American.

**Academic Program**

Students in the high school follow a U.S. college preparatory curriculum. Academia Cotopaxi does not offer Advanced Placement (AP) classes. The language of instruction is English and graduates earn a U.S. secondary school diploma. In addition, students can also pursue an Ecuadorian diploma and can choose to pursue a full International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma during their junior and senior years, or enroll in individual IB courses. All IB diploma candidates are required to engage in and complete the assessments associated with Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay, as well as complete CAS (Creativity, Activity and Service).

All students are required to complete the requirements of CAS whether they are enrolled in the full diploma or taking a mix of IB and non IB courses. The high school provides extensive extracurricular activities including National Honors Society, Model United Nations, Music, Drama and Student Council. Athletic opportunities include soccer, basketball, volleyball, and swimming.

**Grading Scale**

Academia Cotopaxi has adopted the seven point IB Grading Scale. This scale is used for our GPA calculations. As of 23-24, 0.25 bonus points are awarded for SL classes and 0.5 bonus points are awarded for HL classes in the weighted GPA. Academia Cotopaxi does not rank students.

AC Grade	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1
Descriptor	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Mediocre	Poor	Very Poor	Incomplete

## 2025-2026 Courses Available to the Class of 2026

English 11-12	Adv. Design Technology
IB English Lang & Lit HL/SL	IB Biology HL/SL
IB English Literature HL/SL	IB Chemistry HL/SL
IB English B SL	IB Physics HL/SL
Independent Modified English	IB Design Technology HL/SL
Spanish 1	HS Robotics
Spanish 2	PreCalculus
Spanish 3	Statistics & Probability
Spanish 4	IB Math MAA HL/SL
Spanish 11/12	IB Math MAI SL
IB Spanish ab initio SL	Arts Exploration
IB Spanish B HL/SL	Art in Action
IB Spanish Lang & Lit HL/SL	IB Visual Arts HL/SL
IB Spanish Literature HL/SL	Drama and Film Production
Intro to Economics	Digital Art
Intro to Psychology	Dance
International Relations	HS Piano
Latin American Studies	HS Instrumental Music
IB Economics HL/SL	Health and Physical Education
IB Global Politics HL/SL	Global Citizenship 12
HS Environmental Systems	Study Support
HS Earth and Space Science	Theory of Knowledge 12
HS Design Technology	Teacher/Library Assistant

## Class of 2025 Academia Cotopaxi Cumulative Weighted GPA Distribution

GPA	% of Students	# of Students
Above 6.5	22%	9
6.0-6.49	24%	10
5.5-5.99	34%	14
Below 5.49	20%	8

\*Please note that these GPAs only include grades earned at Academia Cotopaxi.

## SAT Summary Class of 2026

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Section	Mean Score	Students Tested
Evidence Based Reading and Writing	595	8
Math	651	8
Total	1247	8

## The IB Diploma is open to all AC High School Students.

	Full IB Diploma Candidates	IB Diploma Pass Rate	Average Passing Points	IB Diploma Highest Score	IB Certificate Candidates
Class of 2025	25 students	96%	32	41	9 students
Class of 2024	16 students	88%	30	38	11 students
Class of 2023	8 students	100%	33	36	12 students
Class of 2022	18 students	100%	32	39	3 students

## Class of 2025 Acceptances and Matriculations

\***Bold indicates Matriculation**

### Asia

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology  
The University of Hong Kong

### Canada

**Concordia University**  
McGill University  
McMaster University  
**University of Alberta**  
University of Ottawa  
**University of Toronto**  
University of British Columbia  
Humber College  
Huron at Western University  
Saint Mary's University (Halifax)  
Southern Alberta Institute of Technology  
Fraser International College

### Europe

**IE University - Madrid Campus**  
**Universidad de Navarra**  
**Universidad Europea de Madrid**  
**Universidad Europea de Valencia**  
**LCI Barcelona**  
**ESADE Business School**  
**Toulouse Business School - Barcelona**  
**Universidad de Nebrija**  
**Toulouse Business School - Toulouse**  
University of Amsterdam  
University of Twente  
University College Utrecht  
**Eindhoven University of Technology**  
Leiden University  
BI Norwegian Business School  
John Cabot University  
**San Raffaele University Rome**  
Bio-Medical Campus University of Rome  
Anglo-American University  
Lancaster University - Leipzig  
Forward College  
Franklin University  
Webster University - Geneva

### Latin America

**Universidad San Francisco de Quito**  
**Universidad de los Andes**  
Anáhuac University of Cancún  
**Tecnológico de Monterrey**  
**Instituto Tecnológico de Buenos Aires**

### United Kingdom

Newcastle University  
University of the West of England, Bristol

### United States

American University  
**Arizona State University**  
Boston University  
Brandeis University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Christopher Newport University  
Colorado College  
Colorado State University  
**Emerson College**  
**Florida International University**  
George Mason University  
George Washington University  
Indiana University-Bloomington  
James Madison University  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola University Chicago  
Loyola University New Orleans  
Michigan State University  
**Northern Arizona University**  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Southern Methodist University  
Stony Brook University  
**Suffolk University**  
**Syracuse University**  
Texas A & M University - College Station  
Texas Christian University

### United States (cont'd)

The Pennsylvania State University  
**Tulane University**  
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 Florida**  
University of Georgia  
University of Massachusetts-Amherst  
**University of Miami**  
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
University of North Carolina - Charlotte  
University of Oregon  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Virginia  
University of Washington - Seattle  
**Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University**  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
Adelphi University  
**Augustana College**  
Binghamton University, SUNY  
Butler University  
California Baptist University  
California Lutheran University  
Columbia College Chicago  
Concordia College  
Cottey College  
Daemen University  
Eastern Menonite University  
Eastern Michigan University  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
Hesston College  
High Point University  
Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
Hollins University  
Houston Christian University  
Illinois College  
Juniata College  
Kent State University  
Lewis University  
Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge  
Lycoming College  
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS)  
Missouri Southern State University  
Nazareth University  
Newman University  
Northwest Missouri State University  
Ohio Northern University  
Ohio Wesleyan University  
Purdue University Northwest  
Quinnipiac University  
Rollins College  
Seattle University  
Snow College  
Springfield College  
St. Olaf College  
SUNY - Geneseo  
SUNY - College of Environmental Science and Forestry  
The College of Wooster  
The New School  
Thomas More University  
University at Buffalo, SUNY  
University of Connecticut  
University of Dayton  
University of Mount Union  
University of Nevada, Reno  
University of Saint Mary  
University of South Dakota  
University of Southern Mississippi  
University of the Incarnate Word  
Wartburg College  
Washburn College  
Washington College  
Whittier College  
Woodbury College  
Xavier University  
York College of Pennsylvania