



# LYCÉE INTERNATIONAL DE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BOSTON

Teaching the World

INTELLECTUAL CHALLENGE, INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE, INDIVIDUALIZED ATTENTION



## SCHOOL PROFILE

COLLEGE BOARD CODE: **220499**

**Accredited by: New England Association of Schools and Colleges; Council of International Schools; French Ministry of Education; International Baccalaureate Organization**

**Member of NACAC; AISNE; NAIS; AFSA; AEFÉ; BISCCA**

HEAD OF SCHOOL

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## MISSION STATEMENT AND ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

The International School of Boston (ISB), founded in 1962, offers a distinctive bilingual education rooted in the best of French, American, and international academic traditions. The School's mission is to shape lifelong learners who can speak and think in multiple languages and who can apply their knowledge anywhere in the world.

In support of this mission, ISB is committed to:

- Inspiring a love of learning, self-confidence, and pride in cultural identity;
- Creating a collaborative and interactive learning environment;
- Promoting humanistic values and global citizenship;
- Complementing academic excellence with activities and opportunities for community service;
- Integrating technology to enhance the learning experience;
- Maintaining a dedicated staff who focus upon and meet the needs of students as individuals;
- Creating a strong community by involving parents as partners in the School and their student's education.

Building upon a scholastic program that begins with French immersion Pre-Kindergarten, ISB's high school program provides an academically and culturally outstanding experience in international education. Students graduate with an American high school diploma, as well as either the French Baccalaureate or International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma. ISB is the only secondary school in New England to offer this opportunity.

## STUDENT BODY

ISB consists of a population of American and international students. This composition makes for an excellent education in cosmopolitanism, openness, flexibility, and teamwork. ISB students are actively multicultural, many speaking languages at home that are additional to their academic curriculum. Close to half of the students hold dual citizenship among numerous nations. While ISB is a day school, some international students live with host families.

**615 students**  
**Pre-K to 12<sup>th</sup> grade**

**41 nationalities**

France:	33%
United States of America:	36%
Other nationalities:	31%

**Upper School Students: 140**

Upper School Faculty:	31 FTE
Student-faculty ratio:	5 to 1

## ISB GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

22 credit units (1 credit = 1 year long course)

English/French (1st Language)	4
2nd Language	3
Mathematics	3
Social Studies	4
Sciences	3
Arts	1
Electives	2
Physical Education	1
Information Technology	1
Community Service	20 hours/year

## DESCRIPTION OF UPPER SCHOOL & BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS

The Upper School students follow a schedule that starts at 8:00am and ends anywhere between 3:30 and 5:30pm, according to course selection. Students in 9th and 10th grades follow a program tailored to prepare them for the requirements of either the French Baccalaureate or the IB diploma. In 11th grade, students determine which baccalaureate program they will pursue.

The academic programs at ISB are time-intensive; therefore the number and range of extra-curricular activities is limited. ISB offers the following:

**Varsity:** Co-ed Soccer, Boys Basketball, Co-ed Fencing

**Intramural Teams:** Cross Country, Sailing, Ultimate Frisbee

**Clubs:** Table Tennis; Volleyball; Archery; Fencing; Student Council; Model United Nations; Printemps des Poètes; Theater (Offered in French or English)

*Students are encouraged to create clubs or contribute to the school, based on their talents and interests.*

True to ISB's philosophy of integrating global studies into the curriculum, since 2007 students have the opportunity in their sophomore year to participate in study abroad/exchange programs in either Argentina or Austria, or join a school sponsored trip abroad with a community service component. Previous locations include: Vietnam, China, Peru, the American West.

In 2014, ISB partnered with the following institutions:

- Babson University, to provide an elective, intensive seminar in entrepreneurial studies focusing on leadership
- Harvard Graduate School of Education Faculty, as a participant in the Research Schools International project

## FRENCH BACCALAUREATE

Diploma Requirements for each track of the French Baccalaureate (students choose one track only):

### SCIENCES (S)

English: 5 hrs  
Spanish or German: 3 hrs  
History/Geography: 2 hrs  
Mathematics: 6 or 8 hrs  
Earth and Life Science: 4 or 6 hrs  
Physics and Chemistry: 5 or 7 hrs  
Philosophy: 3 hrs  
Physical Education: 2 hrs  
Electives (Latin, Greek, Theater): 3 hrs

### ECONOMICS (ES)

English: 5 hrs  
Spanish or German: 3 hrs  
History/Geography: 4 hrs  
Mathematics: 6 hrs  
Economics: 6 hrs  
Philosophy: 4 hrs  
Physical Education: 2 hrs  
Electives (Latin, Greek, Theater): 3 hrs

### LITERATURE (L)

French: 4 hrs  
English: 5 hrs  
Spanish or German: 3 hrs  
History/Geography: 4 hrs  
Mathematics: 4 hrs  
Philosophy: 8 hrs  
Physical Education: 2 hrs  
Electives (Latin, Greek, Theater): 3hrs

*Mandatory Extended Research Project (TPE) in 11<sup>th</sup> grade for all sections.*

The major portion of the French Baccalaureate exams takes place over a two-week period at the end of May and early June in the senior year, involving 17–32 hours of testing, both written and oral. Students must achieve an overall score of 10/20.

## FRENCH BACCALAUREATE, INTERNATIONAL OPTION (OIB)

The OIB American option (Option Internationale du Baccalauréat), a variation of the French Baccalaureate, takes into consideration the international dimension of education. It is the most demanding curriculum in the French Baccalaureate program and is offered only to students who master English both orally and in written expression. The literature and history/geography examinations carry significant weight in the calculation of the overall Baccalaureate score. The OIB option requires five 50-minute periods per week in both 11th and 12th grades for literature and the same number of hours as the regular History/Geography program. Students are selected for this program by committee review based on overall academic prowess.

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

The International School of Boston was the first school in Boston to become a member of the International Baccalaureate Organization and to offer the IB Diploma Program, a high school curriculum available in English, French, and Spanish. This program, taught in English at ISB, is recognized worldwide and is highly valued for its depth and rigor. The aim of the IB program is to develop “internationally-minded people who, recognizing their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet, help to create a better and more peaceful world.” At ISB, 75% of IB students receive the Bilingual IB Diploma, by taking literature courses in two different languages. This specialized diploma is achieved by only 20% of IB students worldwide.

### IB Diploma Requirements for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades:

- Three Higher Level (HL) courses (five 50-minute periods/week) and three Standard Level (SL) courses (three 50-minute periods/week) covering six groups;
- Core Requirements: Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course (two 50-minute periods/week);
- Extended Essay, a 4000-word essay which the student devises, drawing on one of the six disciplines making up the IB program;
- Creativity, Action, Service (CAS), an extra-curricular requirement over two years, including the central element of student reflection.

### Group 1:

English A Literature SL/HL

English A Language and Literature SL/HL

French A Language and Literature SL/HL

German A Language and Literature SL

Chinese A Language and Literature SL/HL

*To meet the needs of international students with first languages other than those listed above, ISB, in accordance with IB regulations, offers IB Language A Literature SL school-supported, self-taught courses in Russian, Spanish, and German.*

### Group 2:

English B SL/HL

French B SL/HL

French ab initio

Spanish B SL/HL

Spanish ab initio

German B SL/HL

German ab initio

### Group 3:

History SL/HL

Economics SL/HL

### Group 4:

Biology SL/HL

Chemistry SL/HL

Physics SL/HL

### Group 5:

Mathematics HL (6 periods/week)

Mathematics SL (4 periods/week)

Math Studies SL (4 periods/week)

### Group 6:

Visual Arts SL/HL

Theater Arts SL

*The IB examinations take place over a three-week period in May of the senior year, involving 22-30 hours of testing. Students receive a score of 0-7 per course and may receive bonus points for their Extended Essay and assessments in Theory of Knowledge for a maximum of 45 points. The world average score is 29. ISB's average is 33.*

## EXAMINATION RESULTS

### FRENCH BACCALAUREATE:

**Since 2005, the attainment of the French Baccalaureate diploma at ISB has been 100%.**

#### ISB Student Scores for French Baccalaureate :

	<10	10-11.9	12-13.9	14-15.9	16-20
<b>2010-2014 avg</b>	0	13.79%	24.43%	32.18%	29.8%
<b>Class of 2014</b>	0	0	22.72%	36.36%	40.9%

### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE:

To receive an IB diploma, a student must receive 24 out of 45 points; the world-wide average score is between 29 and 30, and the worldwide percentage of students achieving the diploma is 78%. From the first ISB graduating class in 2006 forward, 97% of the students in the full IB diploma program have attained the IB diploma with an **average score of 33**. In ISB's class of 2014, 27% received an A on their Extended Essay, compared to 12% worldwide; 27% received an A in TOK, compared to 7% worldwide.

## ISB COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES (2010-2014)

NUMBERS IN PARENTHESES INDICATE STUDENT ATTENDANCE FROM CLASSES OF 2010-2014.  
NAMES IN BOLD REPRESENT CLASS OF 2014 MATRICULATION.

### FRANCE

#### GRANDES ÉCOLES ET ÉCOLES SPÉCIALISÉES :

ÉCOLE SUPÉRIEURE DE GESTION  
EDHEC  
ESSCA ANGERS  
ESSCA PARIS (1)  
EUROPEAN BUSINESS SCHOOL, PARIS  
IÉSEG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT (2)  
INSTITUT D'ÉTUDES POLITIQUES, TRANSATLANTIC CAMPUS (4)  
INSA TOULOUSE  
INSTITUT SUPÉRIEUR DE GESTION

#### UNIVERSITÉS:

UNIVERSITÉ AIX-MARSEILLE I, II, III  
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF PARIS  
UNIVERSITÉ DE BRETAGNE OCCIDENTALE (1)  
**UNIVERSITÉ FRANÇOIS-RABELAIS-TOURS (1)**  
UNIVERSITÉ DE LYON I (1) II, III (1)  
PANTHÉON SORBONNE- PARIS I  
SORBONNE NOUVELLE- PARIS III  
PARIS SORBONNE- PARIS IV  
UNIVERSITÉ PARIS-SUD XI  
UNIVERSITÉ PARIS DAUPHINE (1)  
IUT DE POITIERS (1)  
UNIVERSITÉ DE RENNES (1)  
UNIVERSITÉ DE TECHNOLOGIE DE COMPIÈGNE  
UNIVERSITÉ DE TECHNOLOGIE DE TROYES

#### CLASSES PRÉPARATOIRES:

INTÉGRALE (1)  
LYCÉE CHAMPOLLION  
LYCÉE INTERNATIONAL DE VALBONNE (1)  
LYCÉE PIERRE DE FERMAT  
MANAA (MISE À NIVEAU ARTS APPLIQUÉS) (1)

### USA

ACADEMY OF ART UNIVERSITY  
**ADELPHI UNIVERSITY (1)**  
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY  
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE  
ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO  
BABSON COLLEGE  
BARD COLLEGE (1)  
**BARNARD COLLEGE (2)**  
BENTLEY UNIVERSITY  
BERKLEE COLLEGE OF MUSIC  
BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY (SUNY)  
BOSTON COLLEGE  
**BOSTON UNIVERSITY (5)**  
BOWDOIN COLLEGE  
BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY  
BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY (1)  
BRYANT UNIVERSITY  
BUNKER HILL COMMUNITY COLLEGE (1)  
CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF THE ARTS  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY,  
SAN LUIS OBISPO (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IRVINE

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES (3)

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN DIEGO  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA BARBARA  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA CRUZ  
CASE WESTERN UNIVERSITY  
CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY  
**UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO (4)**  
CLARK UNIVERSITY (1)  
CLARKSON UNIVERSITY  
COLBY COLLEGE  
CONNECTICUT COLLEGE  
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

#### THE COOPER UNION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE & ART (1)

CURRY COLLEGE  
DEAN COLLEGE  
DICKINSON COLLEGE  
DREW UNIVERSITY (1)  
DREXEL UNIVERSITY  
ECKERD COLLEGE (1)  
EMERSON COLLEGE (1)  
EMMANUEL COLLEGE  
EUGENE LANG COLLEGE  
FISHER COLLEGE  
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
FORDHAM UNIVERSITY  
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY (4)  
GETTYSBURG COLLEGE

GOUCHER COLLEGE  
HAMILTON COLLEGE  
HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY  
HUNTER COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGNE (2)  
ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY  
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY, CHICAGO  
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE  
MARYLAND INSTITUTE COLLEGE OF ART (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE PARK  
MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN  
MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF PHARMACY  
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST (3)  
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS BOSTON (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS DARTMOUTH  
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS LOWELL (1)  
MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (2)  
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (1)

**MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE (1)**  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA-TWIN CITIES  
**MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE (1)**  
MOUNT IDA COLLEGE  
MUHLENBERG COLLEGE  
**NEW COLLEGE OF FLORIDA (1)**  
UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
**NEW SCHOOL FOR DRAMA (1)**

NEW YORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY-MANHATTAN  
**NEW YORK UNIVERSITY (4)**  
NEWBURY COLLEGE  
NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY  
**OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE (1)**  
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY  
**PACE UNIVERSITY (2)**  
PARSONS THE NEW SCHOOL FOR DESIGN  
PENNSYLVANIA ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS  
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

PRATT INSTITUTE  
PURDUE UNIVERSITY (1)  
REED COLLEGE (1)  
RENSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE  
RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

**UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND (1)**  
**UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER (2)**  
**ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (3)**  
ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY  
ROLLINS COLLEGE  
RUTGERS, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY  
AT NEW BRUNSWICK  
SAINT MICHAEL'S COLLEGE  
SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY  
SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY

**SARAH LAWRENCE COLLEGE (2)**  
SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN (1)  
SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO  
SCHOOL OF THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS  
SCHOOL OF VISUAL ARTS  
SIMMONS COLLEGE  
SKIDMORE COLLEGE

**SMITH COLLEGE (3)**  
**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (2)**  
ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY-MANHATTAN  
ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY-QUEENS  
STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY  
SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY  
TRINITY COLLEGE  
TRINITY UNIVERSITY IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

TUFTS UNIVERSITY  
TULANE UNIVERSITY  
UNION COLLEGE  
VASSAR COLLEGE  
UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT  
VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE  
WAGNER COLLEGE  
WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY  
WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY  
WELLESLEY COLLEGE (1)  
WENTWORTH INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY / UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN MADISON  
WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE (2)

### UNITED KINGDOM

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL  
CARDIFF UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF EAST LONDON  
UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH (1)  
EUROPEAN BUSINESS SCHOOL, LONDON  
UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW  
IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON (2)  
KEELE UNIVERSITY  
KING'S COLLEGE, LONDON  
KINGSTON UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS  
LONDON METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM  
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD  
QUEEN MARY, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON  
ROYAL HOLLOWAY UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON  
UNIVERSITY OF COLLEGE DUBLIN  
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

### CANADA

BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY (2)  
CARLETON UNIVERSITY  
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY (6)  
UNIVERSITÉ LAVAL (1)  
MCGILL UNIVERSITY (16)  
ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE DE MONTRÉAL (2)  
HEC MONTRÉAL (2)  
**UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL (4)**  
UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA (2)  
UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À CHICOUTIMI  
UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À MONTRÉAL  
UNIVERSITÉ DE SHERBROOKE  
**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**  
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO-ST.GEORGE (1)  
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO-SCARBOROUGH

### OTHER

UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA PORTUGUESA  
UNIVERSIDADE NOVE DE LISBOA (1)  
UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE  
HEC LAUSANNE (1)  
IE UNIVERSITY  
ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE FÉDÉRALE DE LAUSANNE  
UNIVERSITY OF ST. GALLEN



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