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SCHOOL PROFILE: 2017–2018

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

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.

A GATEWAY TO THE WORLD

DESCRIPTION OF UPPER SCHOOL & BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS

The Upper School students follow a schedule that starts at 8:00 am and ends anywhere between 3:30 and 5:30 pm, according to course selection. Students in 9th and 10th grades follow a program tailored to prepare them for the requirements of either the French Bacculaureate or the IB diploma. In 11th grade, students determine which bacculaureate 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: Boys' Soccer, Girls' Soccer, Boys' Basketball, Girls' Basketball, Co-ed Fencing

Clubs: Circuit Training, Cross Country Running, Yoga, Tennis, Table Tennis, Volleyball, Archery, Fencing, Sailing, Ice Skating, Swimming, Rugby, Indoor Rock Climbing, Student Council, Model United Nations, Printemps des Poètes, Climate Change,

Amnesty International, Student Magazine, Art Blog, Theater (offered in French or English)

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

Since 2007 students have had the opportunity to participate in study abroad/exchange programs in Argentina, Austria, China, Iceland, The Netherlands, and Spain. Students may also join a school-sponsored trip abroad with a community service component. Previous locations included Vietnam, China, Peru, New Orleans, and the American West.

ISB partners with the following institutions:

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

FRENCH BACCALAUREATE

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

SCIENCES

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

LITERATURE

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): 3 hrs

ECONOMICS

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

Mandatory Extended Research Project (TPE) in 11th grade for all sections.

The major portion of the French Bacculaureate 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 Bacculaureate, takes into consideration the international dimension of education. It is the most demanding curriculum in the French Bacculaureate 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 Bacculaureate score. The OIB option requires five 50-minute periods per week in both 11th and 12th grades for literature and History/Geography. 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. Taught in English at ISB, the IB 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:

- Three Higher Level (HL) courses (five 50-minute periods/week) and three Standard Level (SL) courses (three 50-minute periods/week) covering six groups;
- Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course (two 50-minute periods/week);
- Extended Essay, a 4000-word essay 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.

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, some speaking languages at home that are additional to their academic curriculum. Many students hold dual citizenship among numerous nations. While ISB is a day school, some international students live with host families.

602 Students (Pre-K to 12)	25 Nationalities in Upper School
Upper School Students: 136	France: 45%
Upper School Faculty: 30 FTE	United States of America: 32%
Student-faculty ratio: 5 to 1	Other nationalities: 23%

EXAMINATION RESULTS

French Baccalaureate:

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

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 79%. 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 34.



ISB IB Course Offerings:

GROUP 1*

English A Language and Literature SL/HL
 French A Language and Literature SL/HL
 German A Language and Literature SL
 Mandarin A Language and Literature SL/HL

GROUP 2

English B SL/HL
 French B SL/HL
 Spanish B SL/HL
 German B SL/HL

GROUP 3

History SL/HL

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

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.

GROUP 4

Biology SL/HL
 Chemistry SL/HL
 Physics SL/HL

GROUP 5

Mathematics HL
 Mathematics SL
 Math Studies

GROUP 6

Visual Arts SL/HL
 Theater Arts SL
 Environmental Systems and Societies (also satisfies Group 3 requirements)

ISB GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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

ISB COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES, 2013–2017

FRANCE

Grandes Écoles et Écoles Spécialisées:

Bordeaux École de Management
École d'architecture de Strasbourg
École de Management de Normandie
École Supérieure de Gestion
École Supérieure d'ingénieurs des Travaux
de la Construction
EDHEC
EPITA
ESSCA Angers
ESSCA Paris
ESMOD
European Business School, Paris
IÉSEG School of Management
INSA Lyons
Institut Supérieur de Gestion
Kedge Business School, Marseilles
La Rochelle Business School
NEOMA Business School

Universités:

Université Aix-Marseille I, II, III
American University of Paris
Université de Caen
Université Catholique de Lille, Faculté de Médecine
IUT D'allier-Vichy
Université Paris I–Pantheon Sorbonne
Université Paris IV–Sorbonne
Université Paris V–Descartes
Université Paris VI–Pierre Et Marie Curie
Université Paris VIII–Vincennes–Saint Denis
Université de Rouen
Sciences Po Paris–Campus de Reims
Sciences Po Paris–Campus Menton
Université de Rennes
Université de Sciences et Technologie de Lille
Université de Technologie de Compiègne
Université Toulouse I, II, III

Classes Préparatoires:

Lycée Albert Schweitzer
Lycée Pasteur
Lycée St. Geneviève
Lycée Saint Jean à Douai

UNITED STATES

Academy of Art University
Adelphi University
Albertus Magnus College
Albright College
American University
American International College
University of Arizona
Bard College
Barnard College
Bates College
Bennington College
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Bradley University
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
Bryant University
Bryn Mawr College
Butler University
University of California–Berkeley
University of California–Davis
University of California–Los Angeles
University of California–San Diego
University of California–Santa Barbara
University of California–Santa Cruz
California College of the Arts
California Polytechnic State University,
San Luis Obispo
California State University–Fresno
California State University–Monterey Bay
Case Western Reserve University

Castleton University
Cazenovia College
Champlain College
College of Charleston
University of Chicago
Clark University
Clarkson University
Colby College
Colby–Sawyer College
University of Colorado–Boulder
Colorado State University
Columbia College Chicago
Columbia University/Sciences Po Reims
Connecticut College
University of Connecticut
The Cooper Union for the Advancement
of Science & Art
Curry College
University of Denver
DePaul University
Dickinson College
Drew University
Drexel University
Eckerd College
Emerson College
Emory University–Oxford College
Emmanuel College
Endicott College
Eugene Lang College
Fairfield University
Fisher College
Florida International University
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
Franklin Pierce University
The George Washington University
Gettysburg College
Goucher College
Green Mountain College
Hamilton College
Hampshire College
Hartwick College
Harvard University
University of Hawaii–Manoa
Hofstra University
Hood College
Hunter College of the City University
of New York
University of Illinois Urbana–Champaign
Indiana University–Bloomington
University of Iowa
Ithaca College
Jacksonville University
Johns Hopkins University
Johnson & Wales University
University of Kansas
Lake Forest College
Lasell College
Lawrence University
Lesley University
Loyola University, Chicago
University of Maine
Manhattanville College
Marist College
Maryland Institute College of Art
Marymount Manhattan College
Massachusetts College of Art & Design
University of Massachusetts–Amherst
University of Massachusetts–Boston
University of Massachusetts–Dartmouth
University of Massachusetts–Lowell
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
MCPHS University
Merrimack College
University of Miami
University of Michigan
Michigan State University
Middlebury College
University of Minnesota–Twin Cities
Mount Holyoke College
Mount Ida College

Muhlenberg College
New College of Florida
University of New Hampshire
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New York Institute of Technology–Manhattan
New York University
Newbury College
Northeastern University
Oberlin College
Occidental College
The Ohio State University
Pace University
Parsons the New School for Design
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts
Pennsylvania State University
Philadelphia University
Plymouth State University
University of Pittsburgh
Pratt Institute
Providence College
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University
University of Redlands
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University
Rollins College
Rutgers, State University of New Jersey
at New Brunswick
Saint Michael's College
San Francisco State University
Sarah Lawrence College
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
School of the Museum of Fine Arts
School of Visual Arts
Scripps College
Siena College
Skidmore College
Smith College
University of Southern California
St. John's University
Stetson University
Stonehill College
Stony Brook University
Suffolk University
State University of New York–Buffalo
State University of New York–Binghamton
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
Temple University
Trinity College
Trinity University In Washington, D.C.
Tulane University
Union College
Vassar College
University of Vermont
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Wagner College
University of Washington
Washington College
Washington State University
Wellesley College
Wells College
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Wesleyan University
Wheaton College (MA)
Willamette University
College of William and Mary/
University of St Andrews
Williams College
University of Wisconsin–Madison
The College of Wooster
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

UNITED KINGDOM

Aston University
Bangor University
University of Bath
University of Birmingham
Birmingham City University
Bournemouth University
University of Bristol
Brunel University
Cardiff University
University of Chester
Coventry University
University of de Montfort
University of Durham
University of East Anglia
University of Edinburgh
University of Exeter
University of Glasgow
Goldsmiths, University of London
University of Greenwich
Imperial College London
University of Kent
King's College, London
Kingston University
University of Leeds
London School of Economics
London South Bank University
University of Manchester
Manchester Metropolitan University
University of Newcastle
University of Nottingham
University of Plymouth
Queen Mary, University of London
Richmond, the American International
School In London
Royal Holloway University
University of St Andrews
SOAS (School of Oriental and Asian Studies)
University of Southampton
University of Strathclyde
University of Sussex
University of Warwick
University of West London
University of Westminster
University College London

CANADA

Bishop's University
Concordia University
Dalhousie University
Université Laval
McGill University
École Polytechnique de Montréal
HEC Montreal
Queen's University
Université de Montréal
Mount Allison University
University of Ottawa
Université du Québec a Chicoutimi
Université du Québec a Montréal
Université du Québec a Rimouski
Université de Sherbrooke
University of Toronto
University of Toronto–St. George
University of Toronto–Scarborough
Western University

OTHER

American University of Beirut
City University Hong Kong
University College Dublin
Eindhoven University of Technology
Université de Geneve
HEC Lausanne
University of Hong Kong
IE University
James Cook University
University of Lausanne
Marist College Florence
École Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne
University of St. Gallen
Savannah College of Art & Design–Hong Kong