



# LYCÉE INTERNATIONAL DE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BOSTON

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## SCHOOL PROFILE: 2018–2019

### 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

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 Baccalaureate or the IB diploma. In 11th grade, students determine which baccalaureate program to 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:** Tennis; Table Tennis; Volleyball; Archery; Fencing; Sailing; Ice Skating; Swimming; Indoor Rock Climbing; Student Council; Model United Nations; Amnesty International; UNICEF; Art Blog; Finance; Politics/Current Events; Theater Costume Design; Service Sewing

*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 to participate in study abroad/exchange programs in Argentina, Austria, China, Iceland, The Netherlands, Florida, and/or 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:

- **Commonwealth Leadership Institute**, to provide an elective, intensive seminar in entrepreneurial studies focusing on leadership
- **Massachusetts General Hospital/Harvard Medical School**, to provide internships to juniors and sophomores
- **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, to provide Summer internships
- **Lycée Français International Jules Verne de Tenerife**, Spain, Exchange program for 9th and 10th graders
- **Dornbirn High School**, Austria, Exchange program for 9th and 10th graders
- **Dassault Systèmes**, to develop a 3D exploration and design course for 9th and 10th graders in our new Design Hub
- **BioBuilder/Learning Lab: STEM education**. Understanding of Biology and principles of Engineering to solve real-world problems.
- **Sages and Seekers**, a voluntary program in which 9th and 10th grade students are matched with a partner from a local senior center for inter-generational discussion, culminating with a final presentation on the senior's life.

## ISB IB COURSE OFFERINGS

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.

<b>GROUP 1</b> English A Language and Literature SL/HL French A Language and Literature SL/HL Mandarin A Language and Literature SL/HL Spanish A Language and Literature SL	<b>GROUP 2</b> English B SL/HL French B SL/HL Spanish B SL/HL German B SL/HL	<b>GROUP 3</b> History SL/HL Geography SL Economics SL/HL <b>GROUP 4</b> Biology SL/HL Chemistry SL/HL Physics SL/HL	<b>GROUP 5</b> Mathematics SL/HL  <b>GROUP 6</b> Visual Arts SL/HL Theater Arts SL
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## 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.

<b>595 Students (Pre-K to Grade 12)</b>	<b>16 Nationalities in Upper School</b>
Upper School Students: 135	France: 44%
Upper School Faculty: 30 FTE	United States of America: 34%
Student-faculty ratio: 5 to 1	Other nationalities: 22%

## 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

## 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

Students in the French Baccalaureate track regularly compete in academic competitions:

- *World Quest*: 2018 Massachusetts Champions.
- *Alkindi cryptology contest*: In 2018, out of 5,750 teams worldwide, ISB achieved 4th place in the final competition.
- *Math Olympiads*: In 2017, out of 21,000 participants worldwide, an ISB student was named #1 in North America, and 5 ISB students placed in the top 15 students in North America.

*Mandatory Extended Research Project (TPE) in 11th 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.*

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

## 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 History/Geography. Students are selected for this program by committee review based on overall academic prowess. The College Board and the French Ministry of Education work in partnership to implement and ensure the quality of the American section of the OIB, as well as promote this section in the United States.



## 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 28% 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.

# ISB COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES, 2014–2018

## FRANCE

### Grandes Écoles et Écoles Spécialisées:

Bordeaux École de Management  
CPE Lyon  
École d'Architecture de Strasbourg  
École de Management de Normandie  
École Nationale d'Architecture de Lyon  
École Nationale d'Architecture de Paris—  
Malaquais  
École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture  
de Versailles  
École Polytechnique  
École Supérieure de Chimie Physique  
Electronique de Lyon  
École Supérieure de Gestion  
École Supérieure d'Ingénieurs des Travaux  
de la Construction  
EDHEC  
ENSTBB-INP BORDEAUX  
ESCE Paris  
ESCOM Chimie  
ESCP Europe  
ESIEE Paris  
ESME  
ESMOD  
ESSCA Angers  
IÉSEG School of Management  
Institut Supérieur Biotech de Paris  
Institut Supérieur de Gestion  
IPSA  
ISEN Brest  
Kedge Business School, Marseilles

### Universités:

Université Aix-Marseille I, II, III  
American University of Paris  
Université Blaise Pascal Clermont-Ferrand  
Université Catholique de Lille, Faculté  
de Médecine  
Université D'Éry Val d'Essonne  
Université François Rabelais—Tours  
Université de Grenoble  
IUT d'Allier-Vichy  
IUT Descartes  
IUT Grenoble  
IUT Poitiers  
IUT Sceaux  
Université de Lorraine  
Université Lumière Lyon II  
Université Lyon I, II, III  
Université Montpellier I, II, III  
Université Nice Paces  
Université Paris I—Panthéon Sorbonne  
Université Paris II—Panthéon-Assas  
Université Paris III—Sorbonne Nouvelle  
Université Paris IV—Sorbonne  
Université Paris VII—Denis Diderot  
Université Paris XI—Paris Sud  
Université Paris XII—Paris Val de Marne  
Polytechnique Lille  
Polytechnique Sorbonne  
Université de Rouen  
Sciences Po Paris—Campus de Reims  
Sciences Po Paris—Campus Menton  
Université de Sciences et Technologie de Lille  
Université de Technologie de Compiègne  
Université Toulouse I, II, III  
Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-En-Yveline  
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### Classes Préparatoires:

La Prépa des INP Nancy  
La Prépa des INP Toulouse  
La Prépa des INP Valence  
Lycée Chaptal  
Lycée Claude Bernard—Paris  
Lycée Jacques Amyot  
Lycée Jean Baptiste Corot  
Lycée Lakanal Sceaux  
Lycée Levoisier  
Lycée la Martinière Monplaisir  
Lycée Pasteur  
Lycée Pierre de Fermat

## UNITED STATES

Adelphi University  
Albertus Magnus College  
Albright College  
American University  
University of Arizona  
Bard College

Barnard College  
Bates College  
Becker 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—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  
California State University—Fresno  
California State University—Monterey Bay  
Case Western University  
Castleton University  
Cazenovia College  
Champlain College  
College of Charleston  
University of Chicago  
Clark University  
Clarkson University  
Colby College  
Colby-Sawyer College  
Colgate University  
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  
Elon University  
Emerson College  
Emory University—Oxford College  
Emmanuel College  
Endicott College  
Eugene Lang College  
Fairfield University  
Fisher College  
Florida International University  
Florida State University  
Fordham University  
Franklin & Marshall College  
Franklin Pierce University  
George Mason University  
The George Washington University  
Gettysburg College  
Goucher College  
Green Mountain College  
Grinnell College  
Hamilton College  
Hampshire College  
Hartwick College  
Harvard University  
Haverford College  
University of Hawaii—Manoa  
Hofstra University  
College of The Holy Cross  
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 La Verne  
Lake Forest College

Lasell College  
Lawrence University  
Lesley University  
Lewis & Clark College  
University of Maine  
Manhattanville College  
Marist College  
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  
Michigan State University  
Middlebury College  
University of Minnesota—Twin Cities  
Mount Holyoke 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  
Northeastern University  
Oberlin College  
Occidental College  
University of Oregon  
Pace University  
Parsons The New School for Design  
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts  
Pennsylvania State University  
Philadelphia University  
University of Pittsburgh  
Pratt Institute  
Providence College  
Quinnipiac University  
University of Redlands  
Reed College  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
University of Rhode Island  
University of Richmond  
Roanoke College  
University of Rochester  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Roger Williams University  
Rollins College  
Rowan University  
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  
Swarthmore College  
Syracuse University  
Temple University  
Trinity College  
Tulane University  
Union College  
University of Utah  
Vassar College  
University of Vermont  
University of Virginia  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute  
Wagner College  
Wake Forest University  
University of Washington  
Washington College  
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  
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 Glasgow  
Goldsmiths, University of London  
University of Greenwich  
Imperial College London  
University of Kent  
University of Lancaster  
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  
Regent's University 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 Montréal  
Queen's University  
Université de Montréal  
Mount Allison University  
University of Ottawa  
Université du Québec à Chicoutimi  
Université du Québec à Montréal  
Université du Québec à Rimouski  
University of Toronto  
University of Toronto—St. George  
University of Toronto—Scarborough  
Western University

## OTHER

American University of Beirut  
American University of Rome  
Bocconi University  
Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore  
City University Hong Kong  
University College Dublin  
École Hôtelière de Lausanne  
Eindhoven University of Technology  
Franklin University Switzerland  
Université de Genève  
University of Hong Kong  
IE University  
James Cook University  
University of Lausanne  
Marist College Florence  
École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne  
Savannah College of Art & Design—Hong Kong