

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2024–2025



WHAT'S NOTABLE ABOUT AIS?

- AIS is proud to be recognized as an **Apple Distinguished School** and features a 1:1 Bring Your Own Apple Device (BYOD) program. Students develop their creative confidence and creativity skills through the use of a variety of apps as part of their learning activities and assignments, and students produce a portfolio of products that showcases their learning.
- AIS runs an Outdoor Education & Leadership Program with two HS **Experiential Learning** Programs annually:
 - The **Service In Action Week**, held in November, allows AIS students to participate in adventure based learning and a community service project that develops our students' communication and collaboration skills and fosters their personal growth as global citizens.
 - The **Infinity Real World Learning Program**, held in June, provides students the opportunity to develop professional networks and benefit through partnerships with local businesses, industries, and start ups.



HISTORY & ACCREDITATION

- Fully accredited, independent, co-educational international school established in 1986
- US standards-based educational program for students from Early Childhood to Grade 12
- Accredited by the Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC)
- East Asia Regional Council of Schools (EARCOS) Member
- International Association for College Admissions Counseling (Int ACAC) Member
- Apple Distinguished School
- Education Record Bureau (ERB) Member



HIGHLIGHTS

- 21 student leadership groups, clubs, organizations, and 14 sports teams
- HKSSF and ISSFHK athletic league member
- Community Service is embedded into our core values and a requirement for promotion according to the following:
 - G9-10: 10 hours minimum
 - G11-12: 20 hours minimum
- In 2023-2024 AIS students completed 5,585 hours of service, which was an average of 25.5 hours per student

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The school operates under a 182-instructional day calendar, divided into three trimesters:

Trimester One
Second week of August
to mid-November

Trimester Two
Mid-November
to Early March

Trimester Three
Early March
to mid-June

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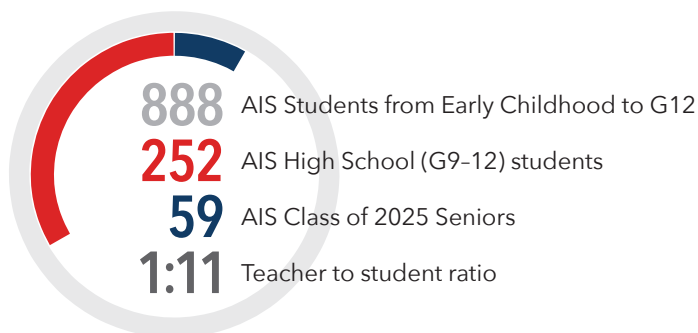
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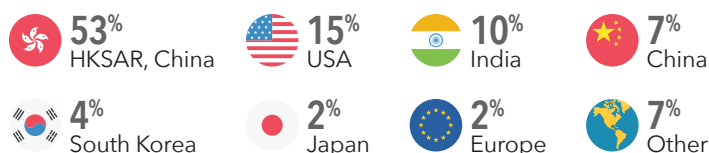
SCHOOL DEMOGRAPHICS



HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY

Teaching and Administrative Staff: 26
Average Full-Time Teaching at AIS: 7 Years

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT NATIONALITIES



LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

- English is the language of instruction and communication
- 22% of High School students speak English as a first language

CEEB #:

670435

UCAS:

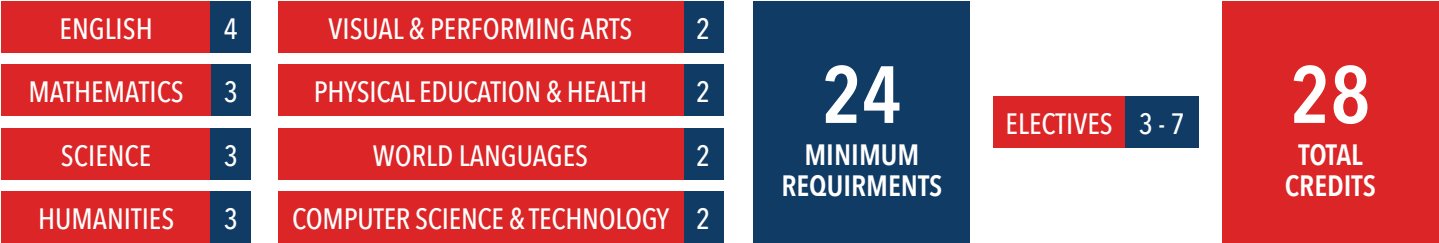
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High School Credit System

High School students must earn a **minimum of twenty-four (24) Carnegie Credits** to graduate with an AIS High School Diploma. AIS has a rigorous college preparatory program, which requires students to successfully complete a minimum of five Grade 12 (4C or 5C) or Advanced Placement (AP) course credits to meet graduation requirements.

- Notes:**
- AIS High School students are required to take a full-time schedule of seven courses each academic year. AIS only offers year-long credit courses. One credit is awarded for the successful completion of a full-year course.
 - Students transferring into AIS High School receive one AIS credit for successfully completing 140 hours of academic work at other accredited institutions.

CREDITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION:



2024-2025 Upper Division Courses

ENGLISH English Critical Reading & Writing English Composition English Rhetoric & Composition Pre-AP English Applied English English Critical Analysis AP Seminar: English AP English Language & Composition AP English Literature & Composition	SCIENCE Life Science Physical Science Pre-AP Biology Pre-AP Chemistry Anatomy & Physiology Ecology & Zoology AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics 1 AP Physics 2 AP Environmental Science	VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS Art Foundation Art Intermediate I Art Intermediate II Art Intermediate III AP Art & Design: 2-D Design AP Art & Design: 3-D Design AP Art & Design: Drawing Studio Intensive Chorus I Chorus II Chorus III Concert Band I Concert Band II Concert Band III Music Technology Foundation Music Technology Intermediate Drama I Drama II Drama III Drama IV	WORLD LANGUAGES Spanish I Spanish II Spanish III Spanish IV French I French II French III Mandarin I Mandarin II Mandarin III Mandarin IV AP Chinese Language & Culture
MATHEMATICS Algebra I Geometry Geometry Honors Algebra II Algebra II Honors Pre-Calculus Statistics & Business Math AP Statistics AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC	HUMANITIES Modern World History United States History Business Studies Sociology AP Human Geography AP World History: Modern AP Microeconomics AP Psychology	PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH Physical Education & Health I Physical Education & Health II Physical Education & Health III Physical Education & Health IV Sports Science	COMPUTER SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY Introduction to Computer Science & Design Coding, Design & Media Tech Computer Aided Design Creative Media Portfolio AP Computer Science Principles AP Computer Science A
			ELECTIVES AP Research APS – AP Study Hall (<i>no credit</i>) AWS – Work Placement (<i>no credit</i>)

Reporting Student Progress

At AIS, reports are published at the end of each trimester. The final report card, which indicates a student’s success in passing courses, earning academic credits, and meeting promotion and graduation requirements, is available at the end of the school year in June.

AIS grades reflect student achievement in meeting the expectations and requirements of the High School program. To provide a more accurate measurement of learning, we include two grades on our report cards:

- **Standards-Based Learning Achievement:**
This is a measure of student learning and the student’s ability to meet the required academic standards of the course.
- **Learning Skills:**
These reflect the student’s learning skills.

For reporting procedures, student proficiency levels in meeting the standards will be converted to a letter grade and grade point.

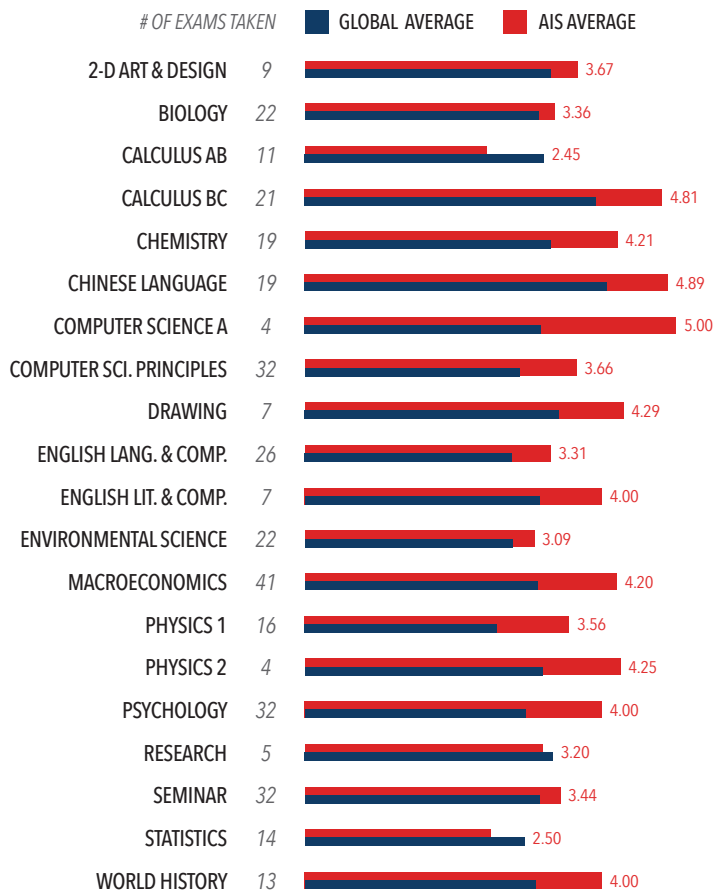
AIS UN-WEIGHTED GRADING SCALE		
Standards-Based Proficiency	Letter Grade	Grade Point
Mastering Proficiency (MP)	A	4.0
Demonstrating Proficiency (DP)	A-	3.7
Demonstrating Proficiency (DP)	B+	3.3
Demonstrating Proficiency (DP)	B	3.0
Approaching Proficiency (AP)	B-	2.7
Approaching Proficiency (AP)	C+	2.3
Approaching Proficiency (AP)	C	2.0
Approaching Proficiency (AP)	C-	1.7
Beginning Proficiency (BP)	D+	1.3
Beginning Proficiency (BP)	D	1.0
Beginning Proficiency (BP)	D-	0.7
Failed to demonstrate - Unclassified (U)	U	0.0
Insufficient Evidence (I)	I	0.0
Not Assessed (NA)	N/A	-

Advanced Placement (AP) Program

AIS students have the opportunity to take Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Per the AIS testing policy, all students taking an AP course on our campus are required to sit the official AP exam.

- At AIS, we provide a total of 23 AP courses in High School (3 courses are offered in alternating years).
- Most students choose to take one or more AP courses while in High School.
- We believe in open AP access and follow inclusive enrollment practices.
- Students are counseled to take an appropriately challenging course of study. The number of AP courses a student can take is not specified.
- A total of 360 AP exams were taken at AIS in May 2024 by 136 different AIS students.
- AP exams are reported if students were enrolled in the corresponding course at AIS when tested and if three or more students were tested.

2024 AP Exam Results



2024 AP Recognition Awards

AP Recognition Awards	Awardees	Average Score
AP Scholar	20	3.67
AP Scholar with Honor	16	3.86
AP Scholar with Distinction	36	4.23
International Diploma	3	3.95
AP Capstone Diploma	5	3.88
Total Scholars	72	4.04

70% OF THE AIS CLASS OF 2024 EARNED AN AP SCHOLAR AWARD

AP Overall Exam Results

AP Exam Results: 5 Year Score Summary (2020 - 2024)

AIS Class	Number of Candidates	Number of Exams Taken	Percentage of Passing Scores (3+)
2020	136	358	92%
2021	124	297	87%
2022	124	317	85%
2023	111	279	90%
2024	136	360	92%

Academic Testing

Class of 2024 SAT Results

Data reflects test activity for students who graduated from AIS in 2024. If a student took the SAT more than once, only the most recent score is included.

Section	Mean
Evidence Based Reading and Writing (EBRW)	600
Math	630
Mean Total Score	1240

Counseling Practices & Early Decision Policy

To ensure quality applications, AIS recommends that students apply to no more than 10 post-secondary institutions.

AIS treats Early Decision (ED) as a global agreement; therefore, students withdraw applications from all other institutions if admitted under Early Decision.

Instances of two or more academic dishonesty infractions are reported externally.

AIS annually norms the below rigor scale as a guideline for Secondary School Reports. The scale includes the number of in-progress and completed AP courses. Independent Study AP exams are not included in the rigor scale.

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BELOW AVERAGE

3 – 4

AVERAGE

5 – 6

DEMANDING

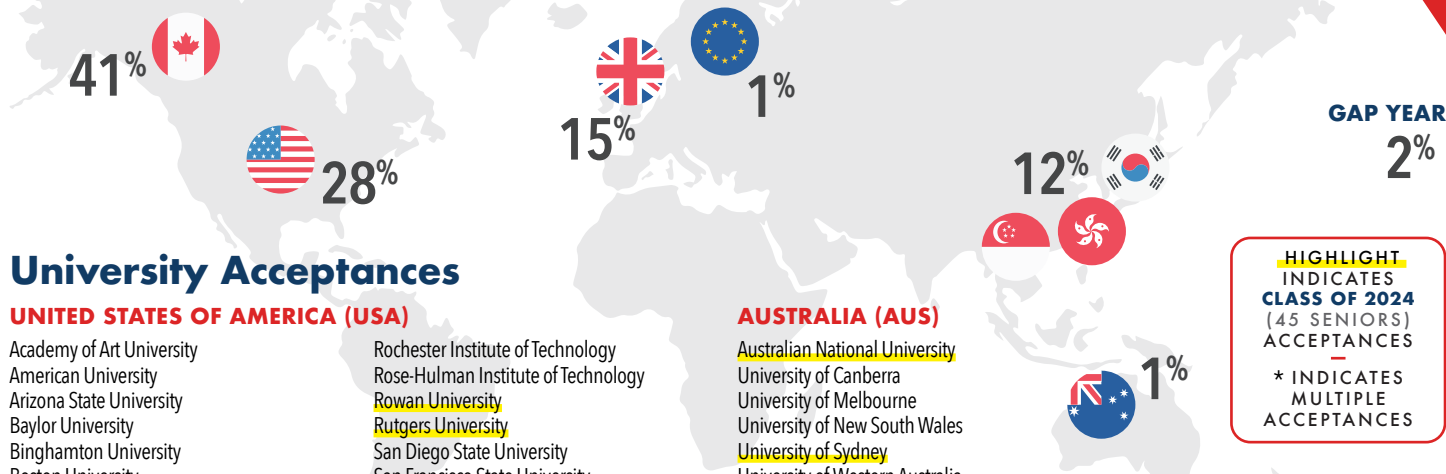
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VERY DEMANDING

9 +

MOST DEMANDING

Class of 2024 Acceptances



University Acceptances

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)

Academy of Art University
American University
Arizona State University
Baylor University
Binghamton University
Boston University
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
Bucknell University
California College of the Arts
California State Polytechnic University
California State University, Chico
California State University, Fresno
California State University, Long Beach
Case Western Reserve University
Chapman University
Christopher Newport University
Claremont McKenna College
Colorado State University
Cornish College of the Arts
CUNY Queens College
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emory University
Fashion Institute of Technology
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida International University
Florida State University
George Mason University
George Washington University, The
Georgia Institute of Technology
Hawaii Pacific University
Hult International Business School
* Indiana University Bloomington
Johns Hopkins University
Lawrence University
Los Angeles College of Music
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Manhattan College
Maryland Institute College of Art
Massachusetts College of Art and Design
Merrimack College
Miami University
Michigan State University
Musicians Institute
New School, The
New York University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Ohio State University
Oklahoma State University
Old Dominion University
Oregon State University
Otis College of Art and Design
* Parsons School of Design
* Pennsylvania State University (2)
Pepperdine University
Pratt Institute
Purdue University
Ramapo College of New Jersey
Rensselaer Polytechnic University
Rhode Island School of Design

Rochester Institute of Technology
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rowan University
Rutgers University
San Diego State University
San Francisco State University
San Jose State University
Santa Clara University
Santa Monica College
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
School of Visual Arts
Seattle University
Simmons University
Southern California Institute of Architecture
Stony Brook University
Suffolk University
Syracuse University
Texas State University
The College of New Jersey
University of Arizona, The
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
* University of California, Irvine (2)
University of California, Los Angeles
* University of California, Merced (2)
* University of California, Riverside (2)
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
* University of California, Santa Cruz (2)
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Hawaii
University of Houston
University of Idaho
University of Illinois Chicago
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
* University of Iowa (2)
University of Kentucky
University of Maine
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts Amherst
* University of Massachusetts Boston (3)
University of Massachusetts Lowell
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Nevada
University of Oregon
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of Southern California
University of Washington
University of Washington Tacoma
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Utah State University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Washington State University

AUSTRALIA (AUS)

Australian National University
University of Canberra
University of Melbourne
University of New South Wales
University of Sydney
University of Western Australia

CANADA (CAN)

Algoma University
* Brock University (3)
Carleton University
Lakehead University
Emily Carr University of Art and Design
* McGill University (3)
* McMaster University (6)
Ontario College of Art & Design University
* Queen's University (5)
Simon Fraser University
Thompson Rivers University
* Toronto Metropolitan University (2)
Trent University
* University of British Columbia (8)
* University of Alberta (2)
* University of Calgary (2)
University of Guelph
University of Ontario Institute of Technology
University of Ottawa
* University of Toronto (10)
University of Waterloo (7)
University of Windsor
Vancouver Island University
* Western University (5)
Wilfrid Laurier University
* York University (4)

EUROPE (EUR)

Hague University of Applied Sciences
Leiden University
Paris School of Business
University of Amsterdam
Utrecht University

HONG KONG CHINA (HKSAR)

* Chinese University of Hong Kong (3)
City University of Hong Kong
Education University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong Baptist University
Hong Kong Polytechnic University
* Hong Kong U of Science and Technology (9)
Lingnan University
Open University of Hong Kong
* University of Hong Kong (2)

JAPAN (JPN)

Keio University
Sophia University
Waseda University

SINGAPORE (SGP)

James Cook University
Nanyang Technological University

SOUTH KOREA (KOR)

Korea University
Seoul National University
SUNY Korea
University of Utah, Asia Campus
Yonsei University

UNITED KINGDOM (UK)

Birkbeck, University of London
Birmingham City University
Brunel University London
City, University of London
Coventry University
Durham University
Goldsmiths, University of London
* Imperial College London (2)
King's College London, University of London
Kingston University
Lancaster University
Liverpool University
London School of Economics & Political Science
Loughborough University
Manchester Metropolitan University
Newcastle University
Nottingham Trent University
Oxford Brookes University
Rose Bruford College
Royal Holloway, University of London
University College Birmingham
University College London
University of Bath
University of Birmingham
University of Bristol
University of Central Lancashire
University of Chester
University of Edinburgh
* University of Exeter (2)
University of Glasgow
University of Greenwich
University of Kent
University of Leeds
University of Leicester
University of Lincoln
University of Liverpool
University of Manchester
University of Oxford
University of Reading
University of Salford
University of Southampton
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of the Arts London
University of Warwick
University of Westminster

HIGHLIGHT
INDICATES
CLASS OF 2024
(45 SENIORS)
ACCEPTANCES
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* INDICATES
MULTIPLE
ACCEPTANCES

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