

# IICS SECONDARY SCHOOL PROFILE 2018-19



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## Our Mission

Through its challenging curriculum and strong staff-student relationships, IICS provides a caring environment that inspires each student to excel and to be inquisitive, creative, compassionate, balanced and internationally-minded.

## School Description

In addition to being one of the oldest international schools in the world, Istanbul International Community School is among Europe's most noteworthy. Founded in 1911 to educate the children of the Robert College faculty, the school has maintained a tradition of academic excellence for a century. IICS is a private, non-profit, secular, coeducational pre K-12 day school serving the educational needs of Istanbul's international community (holders of non-Turkish passports). The school has two divisions: the Primary School (PK-6th grades) and the Secondary School (7th-12th Grades). The language of instruction at IICS is English.



Established in 1911. Over a century of academic excellence.



Globally accredited by CIS and NEASC.



Registered 501 (c) (3) non profit. All proceeds reinvested into education.



99% of graduates proceed to university



Among first in the world to be IB authorized for all 3 programs: PYP, MYP, DP.



IICS is an English medium international school. All students must hold a non-Turkish passport.



IICS is an inclusive, full IB curriculum school. IICS does not offer the Turkish national curriculum.



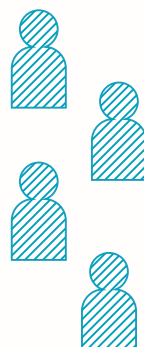
Student Directed Learning blocks incorporated into DP & MYP schedules for teacher mentoring or independent study.

## DIVERSE STUDENT BODY AND FACULTY

### STUDENT BODY COMPOSITION

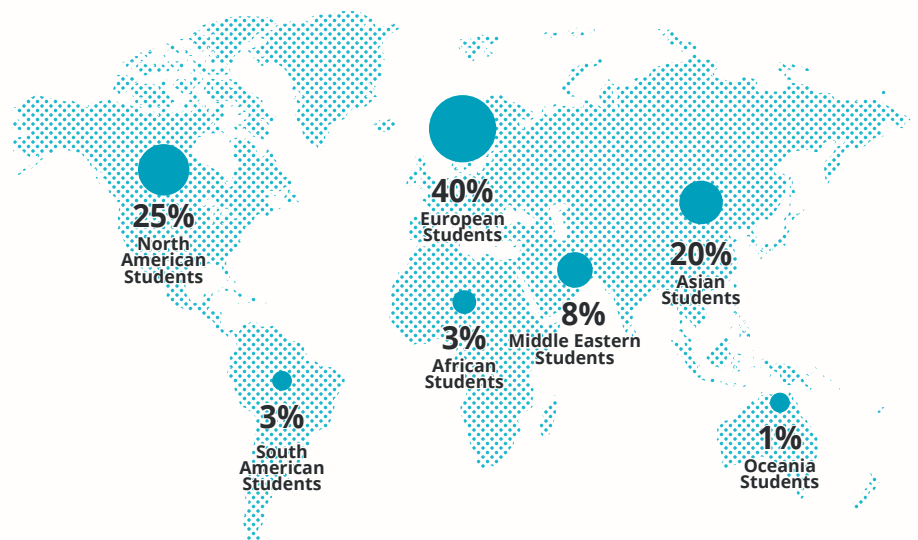
**62** Nationalities in Grades 7-12  
**26** Nationalities in Class of 2019

Total Number of Students per Grade	
Girls	Boys
16	20
<b>Grade 7</b>	<b>36</b>
16	21
<b>Grade 8</b>	<b>37</b>
26	21
<b>Grade 9</b>	<b>47</b>
20	25
<b>Grade 10</b>	<b>45</b>
22	22
<b>Grade 11</b>	<b>44</b>
24	27
<b>Grade 12</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>274</b>



### FACULTY COMPOSITION

**13** Nationalities on faculty from 4 continents  
**16** Average years teaching experience  
**59%** of faculty hold Master's degree or PhD  
**17** IB Trainers, Examiners, Curriculum Reviewers, Authorization evaluators  
**7:1** Student to Teacher Ratio  
**5** Continents



# PATH TO GRADUATION

Students have the option to earn one of the following combinations by the end of Grade 12. The graduation pathway is determined based on students' choice, their academic history, faculty recommendations, and the university path they plan to pursue.

The options include:

1. IICS High School Diploma and IB Diploma
2. IICS High School Diploma and IB Certificates
3. IICS High School Diploma only

At IICS, we encourage most of our students to be full IB Diploma candidates, and the majority of them choose this path; however, IB Certificates and High School Diploma options are equally valid as an appropriate path to further education.

In order to attain the IICS High School Diploma, students must earn minimum of 26 credits throughout their 4 years of high school (grades 9-12). In Grades 11 and 12, students have the option of taking all their courses in Standard Level. Extended Essay is not a requirement for IB Certificates and/or IICS High School Diploma candidates, however reduced core requirements must be fulfilled. The IICS High School Diploma is the US equivalent of a leaving certificate and is recognized for entry directly to many university systems when combined with appropriate standardized testing (SAT, ACT, TOEFL, IELTS).

## IICS IB COURSES OFFERED

Note that the availability of these courses depend on the student numbers.

### GROUP 1

#### STUDIES IN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

- English Language A Literature
- English Language A Language and Literature
- French Language A Language and Literature
- German Language A Language and Literature
- Spanish Language A Language and Literature
- Turkish Language A Literature

Students may also elect to study their native language as a school-supported, self-taught literature program at Standard Level only.

### GROUP 2

#### LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

- French B
- Spanish B
- English B
- Spanish ab initio (SL only)
- German ab initio (SL only)
- French ab initio (SL only)

Students may also elect to study a second language A and earn a bilingual diploma self-taught literature program at Standard Level only.

### GROUP 3

#### INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETIES

- Economics
- Geography
- History
- Environmental Systems and Societies (SL only)

### GROUP 4

#### EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Environmental Systems and Societies (SL only)

### GROUP 5

#### MATHEMATICS

- Mathematics Higher Level (requires instructor approval)
- Mathematics Standard Level

### GROUP 6

#### THE ARTS

- Visual Arts
- Theater Arts
- Music
- Film

## A SELECTION OF EXTENDED ESSAY SUBJECTS Class of 2018

How do low-cost airlines implement game theory strategies to compete within the oligopoly market structure of the US airline industry?

The efficacy of Lactobacillales fermentation in Baechu- Kimchi as a treatment for gastric ulcers caused by Helicobacter Pylori

How did Miles Davis' soloing style develop and change throughout his career?

How is Islam and the Arab World Portrayed in the Western Cinema?

To what extent was Russia's military invasion of Chechnya in 1999 justified as a reaction to Islamic terrorism?

Cuales fueron las consecuencias socio-políticas para España de la Guerra de Independencia (1808-1814)

How may the technique of Fourier Analysis be adapted for use in image compression?

What is the Price Elasticity of Demand for Homes in Turkey and Why?

## CLASS OF 2018 SAT RESULTS



Reading and Writing  
**570**

Range  
**400-700**



Math  
**600**

Range  
**440-770**



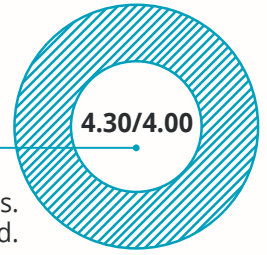
**17** Test Takers,  
of Whom  
**6** Were non-Native  
English Speakers

## CLASS OF 2018 GPA

Highest GPA

**4.30/4.00**

IICS does not rank students.  
GPA is weighted.



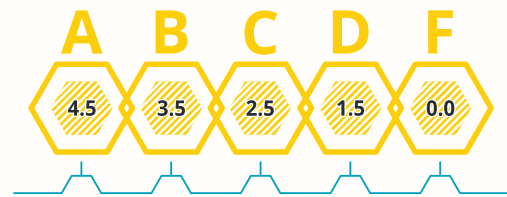
## IB GRADING SCALE & GPA EQUIVALENT

MYP/DP courses are graded 1-7.

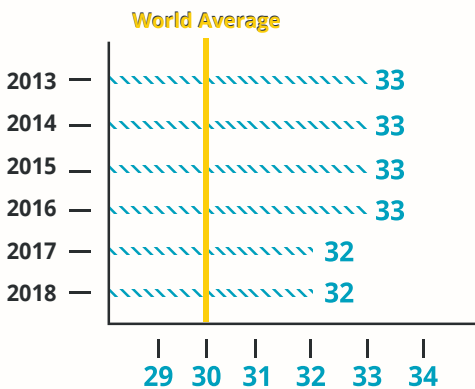
The Grade Point Equivalent (weighted over 4.00) is:



TOK Grades= GPA equivalent



## IB DIPLOMA AVERAGES

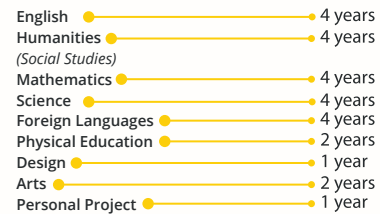


(IB World average points range between 29-30 points.)

## IICS HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

IICS High School Diploma requires completion of a minimum of 26 credits (1 credit=1 full year).

A typical minimum credit distribution would be:

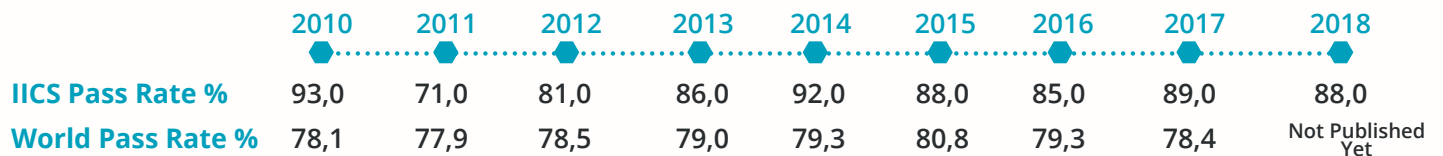


A student must acquire a score of at least '3' to receive IICS credit for any particular course. Students must carry a full time load every year at IICS.

## IB DIPLOMA PASS RATES

The 2010 - 2018 IICS pass rates compared to the world averages are listed below.

IICS is a non-selective school and encourages all students to study the IB program.



**2019** 38 full IB Diploma candidates

## CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

### ATHLETICS

Basketball  
Cross-Country  
Football  
Volleyball  
Badminton

### ARTS

Sketching Club  
Secondary School Production  
IICS Orchestra  
IICS Choir  
Poetry Club  
Ceramics Studio

### ACTIVITIES

Drama Club  
Math Counts  
Model United Nations  
Speech & Debate

### SERVICE

Refugee Outreach Club  
Children of Hope  
Animal Welfare  
Roots and Shoots

### CLUBS

Chinese Club  
Student Newspaper  
Science Club  
Virtual Reality  
Running Club

# RECENT DISTINCTIONS

- 1 CIS International Student Award Winner
- 2 National Outdoor Leadership School Graduates
- 3 Duke of Edinburgh Gold medalists
- 4 Turkish National Team athletes: Ski Team, Equestrian Team
- 5 Internationally competitive tennis players
  - 1 National motocross champion
  - 4 National Equestrian Junior Champions



- 1 Olympic Competitor, Captain of Azerbaijan National Equestrian Team Competed at 2008 Beijing & 2012 London Olympics
- 10 Students in Waterloo University Math contests scoring 25% worldwide among 20,000 competitors

# UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

In the recent years, students from Istanbul International Community School have been accepted to the following universities and colleges:

## UNITED STATES

American University  
Barnard College  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bard College  
Brandeis University  
Brown University  
Bryant University  
California College of the Arts  
Clemson University  
College of William and Mary  
Colorado School of Mines  
Columbia College  
Cornell University  
Dartmouth College  
DePaul University  
Drew University  
Drexel University  
Duke University  
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University  
Emerson College  
Emory University  
Endicott College  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Franciscan University  
George Washington University  
Georgetown University  
Georgia Technical University  
Gustavus Adolphus College  
Hofstra University  
James Madison University  
MICA (Maryland Inst. Of Creative Art)  
Michigan State University  
Mount St. Mary's University  
New York Institute of Technology  
New York University  
Northeastern University  
Northwestern University  
Pace University  
Parsons The New School for Design  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pepperdine University  
Pratt Institute  
Purdue University  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Roger Williams University  
Rollins College  
Rutgers University  
Savannah College of Art and Design  
School for Visual Arts (SVA)  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC)  
St. Francis Xavier's University  
St. Thomas University  
Stanford University  
State Univ. of New York at Albany  
State University of New York at Binghamton  
State University of New York at Stony Brook  
Stevens Institute of Technology, NJ  
Southern California Institute of Architecture  
Suffolk University  
Syracuse University  
Temple University  
Texas A & M University  
Tufts University  
University at Albany  
University of Arizona  
University of California at Irvine  
University of California at San Diego  
University of California at Santa Cruz  
University of California Berkeley  
University of California, Davis  
University of California, Los Angeles  
University of Chicago  
University of Colorado  
University of Connecticut  
University of Denver

## UNITED STATES

University of Florida  
University of Illinois/Chicago  
University of Indiana/Bloomington  
University of Iowa  
University of Maine  
University of Maryland  
University of Massachusetts Amherst  
University of Massachusetts Boston  
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth  
University of Massachusetts Lowell  
University of Miami  
University of Michigan  
University of North Carolina  
University of Oregon  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Philadelphia  
University of Rhode Island  
University of San Diego  
University of San Francisco  
University of Southern California  
University of Southern Florida  
University of Vermont  
University of Virginia  
University of Wisconsin Madison  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
West Virginia University  
Wharton, University of Pennsylvania  
Wheaton College  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

## CANADA

Bishop's University  
Concordia University  
Dalhousie University  
McGill University  
McMaster University  
Ontario College of Art and Design  
Queen's University  
Simon Fraser University  
Toronto University  
University of British Columbia  
University of Guelph  
University of Saskatchewan  
University of Toronto  
University of Victoria  
University of Waterloo  
University of Western Ontario  
York University  
University of British Columbia

## ASIA

City University of Hong Kong, China  
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST), China  
Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel  
Keio University, Japan  
Meiji University, Japan  
Rikkyo University, Japan  
Sophia University, Japan  
Hanyang University, Korea  
Korea University, Korea  
Korea University for Chemical Engineering, Korea  
Myongji University, Korea  
Seoul National University, Korea  
Sogang University, Korea  
Yonsei University, Korea

## UNITED KINGDOM

Aberystwyth University  
American College Dublin  
Bath Spa University  
Bournemouth University  
Brighton University  
Brunel University  
Camberwell College of the Arts,  
University of the Arts London  
Canterbury Christ Church University  
City University London  
Durham University  
Goldsmith's College, University of London  
Kent University  
King's College, University of London  
Lancaster University  
London College of Fashion  
London Metropolitan University  
London School of Economics  
Loughborough University  
Manchester University  
Newcastle University  
Nottingham-Trent University  
Oxford Brookes University  
Queen Mary College, Univ. of London  
Reading University  
Royal Holloway, University of London  
Sheffield Hallam University  
SOAS, University of London  
Sussex International Study Center  
Swansea University  
University of Aberdeen  
University College London  
University of Leicester  
University of Bath  
University of Bedfordshire  
University of Birmingham  
University of Brighton  
University of Buckingham  
University of Cambridge  
University of Chester  
University of Dundee  
University of East Anglia  
University of Edinburgh  
University of Essex  
University of Exeter  
University of Glasgow  
University of Hull  
University of Kent  
University of Leicester  
University of Liverpool  
University of Manchester  
University of Nottingham  
University of Oxford  
University of Sheffield  
University of Southampton  
University of St Andrews  
University of Surrey  
University of Sussex  
University of Warwick  
University of West London  
University of Westminster  
University of Wolverhampton  
University of Worcester  
University of York  
University of Exeter  
Westminster University  
University of Greenwich  
University of London  
Kingston University London  
University of Northampton  
University of Plymouth  
The University of the West of England, Bristol  
University of Portsmouth

## EUROPE

Erasmus University Rotterdam  
Hanze University of Applied Sciences, Groningen  
University of Leuven, Belgium  
Sorbonne, France  
American University of Paris, France  
Universitaet Bonn, Germany  
SRH Hochschule Berlin, Germany  
American University of Rome, Italy  
Bocconi University, Italy  
John Cabot University, Italy  
Hogeschool van Amsterdam, Netherlands  
Hotel School of the Hague, Netherlands  
Leiden University, Netherlands  
NHTV Breda Univ. of Applied Science, Netherlands  
Nyenrode Business University, Netherlands  
Rotterdam Business School, Netherlands  
Rotterdam University College, Netherlands  
Stenden University Of Applied Science  
The Hague University, Netherlands  
Tilberg University, Netherlands  
Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy (Europe)  
University College, Netherlands  
University of Groningen, Netherlands  
University of Utrecht, Netherlands  
Utrecht University  
Webster University, Netherlands  
IE University, Spain  
Ecole Hoteliere Lausanne, Switzerland  
Glion, Switzerland  
Les Roches International School of Hotel Management, Switzerland  
Wittenborg University, Netherlands

## TURKEY

Bahcesehir University  
Bilgi University  
Koç University  
Sabancı University  
Özyeğin University  
Kadir Has University

