# HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE



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# SCHOOL PROFILE

# The School and Community

Hangzhou International School is a non-profit, co-educational, inclusive day school established in 2002 to serve the children of foreign nationals in Grades EY-12 (ages 2-18). HIS is governed by a self-perpetuating Board of Directors and overseen by the International School Foundation (ISF). The 5 hectare campus is home to over 800 students with 140 students in the high school. Our students come from over 50 different nationalities and speak over 30 mother tongue languages.

# Accreditation and Authorization

Hangzhou International School (HIS) is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and is authorized as an IB Continuum School by the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) to offer the Primary Years Programme (PYP), Middle Years Programme (MYP), and Diploma Programme (DP). All upper school students in Grades 6-12 follow IB MYP and DP coursework and the majority pursue the full IB Diploma. All qualifying students also receive an accredited HIS High School Diploma. The school year is divided into two semesters, running from August to December and January to June for 180 instructional days.

# HIS High School Diploma

Students complete the required credits over four years to receive an HIS High School Diploma. Credit requirements are listed below.

• Language and Literature A	4	credits
• Language B	3	credits
Social Studies	3	credits
• Sciences	3	credits
<ul> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul>	3	credits
• Arts	2	credits
<ul> <li>Physical and Health Education (PE)</li> </ul>	2	credits
<ul> <li>Theory of Knowledge (TOK)</li> </ul>	2	credits
• Electives	4	credits
Total	26	

Students must complete at least 4 credits of English Language A or B. Additional Language and Literature credits may be earned in other languages. Students must also complete non-credit Creativity, Action, & Service (CAS), Extended Essay (EE) or Senior Project, and Graduation Portfolio/Presentation requirements.

# IB Diploma Program (IBDP)

The IB Diploma Programme (IBDP) is a two-year pre-university program which consists of six subjects (three at Higher Level and three at Standard Level), an Extended Essay (EE) of 4000 words, a Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course, and a required Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) component.

The IBDP is structured to provide students with a rigorous and balanced education, to facilitate geographic and cultural mobility, and to promote international understanding.

# **IBDP** Courses

The following IBDP courses are offered at HIS:

# Group I Language A:

- English Language & Literature SL & HL
- Chinese Language & Literature SL & HL
- School Supported Self-Taught Literature A SL

# Group 2 Language B:

- Chinese ab Initio
- Chinese Language B SL & HL
- English SL & HL
- Spanish SL & HL

# Group 3 Individuals and Societies:

- Economics SL & HL
- Environmental Systems and Societies SL
- History SL & HL
- Psychology SL & HL

# Group 4 Sciences:

- Biology SL & HL
- Chemistry SL & HL
- Environmental Systems and Societies SL
- Physics SL & HL

# Group 5 Mathematics

- Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation SL & HL
- Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches SL & HL

# Group 6 Arts:

- Visual Arts SL & HL
- Theatre SL & HL

Theory of Knowledge (TOK)













# **IBDP** Results, Grades and Class Rank

HIS reports student achievement on assessments that are graded against clearly expressed criteria and rubrics. All assessment grades are reported using a 1-7 scale with a 3 being the minimum passing grade to receive credit. HIS does not provide a class rank for individual students and does not weight grades. Grade Point Averages (GPA) are not used for final calculations. The IB Diploma results for the last three years are posted below.



# **IBDP** Achievement Class of 2022

Achievement Level	Descriptor	Class of 2022 Grade Distribution	Total Numerical
7	Exemplary	25%	
6	Very Good	42%	
5	Good	25%	
4	Satisfactory	5%	73
3	Passing	3%	
2	Unsatisfactory	0%	
I.	Minimal	0%	

Student semester reports include summative performance based on the 1-7 scale with achievement levels and descriptors as indicated above.

# Assessment

HIS offers standardized assessments to prepare for college entrance exams. HIS is an exam center for the SAT and PSAT. Students regularly score above the global average. Faculty use IB criteria and rubrics to assess student attainment levels. External moderation validates the evaluation.

# Awards and Recognitions

Students at HIS are recognized with Principal's Honor Roll for achievement each semester, and for participation and achievement in athletics each year. Coaches recognize top players with yearly awards.

# Technology Access

HIS is a 1:1 MacBook school, using student laptops with school Wi-Fi coverage and online research access. The ManageBac platform allows for digital submission and documentation of student work, assessment, and communication.

# **China Trip Explorations**

Students at HIS participate in a yearly trip to different locations in China. They take part in community service projects, challenge themselves physically while exploring the different terrains of rural communities, and gain insight to the language and culture of the country. These curricular programs provide excellent opportunities for exploration and introduction to our host country culture.

# **HIS Activities**

HIS offers a wide range of extracurricular activities, sports, and creative programs to promote student development. Students take part in organizations such as Model United Nations, Global Issues Network, Student Council, Upper School Musical Ensemble, Theater and Musical Productions, and National Honor Society. Students also coordinate their own activities such as Cooking Club, Robotics Club, Econ Club, and Chess Club. Students are involved in service projects to area children's hospitals, environmental sites, and local organizations. Students help plan the annual Dragon Run 5k, which supports the migrant school Library Project through fundraising.

# **HIS Dragon Athletics**

HIS Dragons are part of the ACAMIS, SISAC, SSL and HISAC athletic associations, allowing for competitive matches around China. Student athletes gain teamwork and leadership skills while taking top rank in local and regional tournaments. Varsity and junior-varsity sports include Badminton, Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Swimming, Table Tennis, Track and Field, and Volleyball.



~The HIS mission is to provide international learners with opportunities to pursue academic and personal excellence in a caring community~

# **University Acceptances**

# **United States of America**

Arizona State University Babson College **Baylor University** Berklee College of Music Biola University Boston College Boston University Buffalo State University California College of the Arts Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University Central Washington University Cornell University Cornish College of the Arts Emory University Eugene Lang College of Liberal Arts Flagler College Fisher College

### Florida Institute of Technology

Florida Southern College Fordham University Georgetown University Gonzaga University Hawaii Pacific University Hofstra University Houghton University Indiana University Bloomington Kapi'olani Community College Loyola University Chicago Maryland Institute College of Art Menlo College Miami University Michigan State University New Jersey Institute of Technology New York University Northeastern University North Bennet Street School Oregon State University - Cascades Otis College of Art and Design

# Australia

Australian National University Deakin University Griffith University Monash University RMIT University University of New South Wales University of Technology Sydney The University of Melbourne The University of Queensland The University of Sydney

### Canada

King's University College McGill University McMaster University Nipissing University Queen's University Simon Fraser University The University of British Columbia Toronto Metropolitan University

### **University of Toronto**

University of Waterloo Western University York University

### **European Union**

Aarhus University Avans University of Applied Sciences Berlin School of Business and Innovation Bocconi University Copenhagen Business School Parsons School of Design
 Pepperdine University
 Penn State Behrend
 Pitzer College
 Pratt Institute
 Portland State University
 Purdue University
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 Rutgers University
 Saint Louis University
 Savanah College of Art and Des

Savannah College of Art and Design School of the Art Institute of Chicago School of Visual Arts Seattle Central College Seattle Pacific University Seton Hall University Spelman College St. Mary's University St. Olaf College Stony Brook University Syracuse University Texas A&M University The Evergreen State University The Ohio State University The Pennsylvania State University The University of Arizona The University of Iowa The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill The University of Tulsa Tulane University University of California, Irvine

University of California, Davis University of California, Los Angeles University of California, Riverside University of California, Santa Barbara **University of California, San Diego** University of Cincinnati

CODE University of Applied Sciences Culinary Arts Academy Design Academy Eindhoven Erasmus University Rotterdam EU Business School Fontys University of Applied Sciences Hanzehogeschool Academie Minerva International University in Geneva Leiden University College The Hague

### **de Technologie** LUISS University

NHL Stenden University of Applied Sciences Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti Saxion University of Applied Sciences Saint Louis University – Madrid Technische Universität Dresden Technische Universität München Tilburg University Toulouse Business School Universidad Europea

### **University of Amsterdam** University of Southern Denmark

University of Geneva University of Groningen University of Zurich Universiteit Utrecht Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien

### Matriculations for the Class of 2022 are in bold

University of Colorado Boulder University of Connecticut University of Georgia University of Illinois Chicago University of Illinois Urbana-Champagne University of La Verne Univesity of Maryland University of Massachusetts Amherst University of Michigan University of Minnesota University of Nebraska University of North Texas University of Notre Dame University of Oregon University of Oregon-Cascade University of Pennsylvania University of Portland University of Rochester University of San Francisco University of Southern California University of Washington University of

### Wisconsin-Madison

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Vanderbilt University Washington State University Western Washington University Westmont College William and Mary Wheaton College

# **United Kingdom**

Aberystwyth University Birkbeck, University of London Brunel University London Buckinghamshire New University Cardiff University

### **Durham University** Falmouth University

Goldsmiths, University of London Heriot-Watt University

# Imperial College London

Imperial College London King's College London Lancaster University London Metropolitan University Loughborough University Manchester Metropolitan University Newcastle University Nottingham Trent University Oxford Brookes University Queen Margaret University of

### London Royal Holloway University of London

The London School of Economics and Political Science

The University of Edinburgh The University of Manchester The University of Warwick University of the Arts London University College London

### University of Bath

University of Bedfordshire

# Asia

Ateneo de Manila University China Medical University-Shenyang **East China Normal University** Chung-Ang University **City University of Hong Kong** Hanyang University Hong Kong Baptist University Hong Kong University of Science and Technology International Christian University **Istituto Marangoni, Shanghai** Korea University Kyung Hee University

# Lingnan Univesity

Les Roches Jin Jiang International Hotel Management College

### Macau University of Science and Technology

Nanyang Technological University National University of Singapore New York University, Shanghai Peking University Pusan National University Ritsumeikan University Shanghai Jiao Tong University SCAD Hong Kong **Seoul National University** Sungkyunkwan University

The Chinese University of Hong Kong The Education University of Hong Kong The Hong Kong Polytechnic University The University of Hong Kong University of Nottingham Ningbo China Tsinghua University Wenzhou-Kean University

# Xi'an Jiao Tong University

Yonsei University Zhejiang University

> University of Birmingham University of Bristol University of Dundee University of East London University of Essex University of Kent University of Leicester University of Liverpool

### University of Nottingham

University of Portsmouth University of Roehampton London University of Sheffield University of Southampton University of South Wales University of Surrey University of Sussex University of the Arts London University of York

