

ICS HS PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION



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.

OUR VISION

To be an exceptional, forward-thinking international school community in every respect.

OUR VALUES

Integrity, Inquisitiveness, Caring, International Mindedness.

OUR SCHOOL

Founded in 1911, Istanbul International Community School (IICS) is one of the oldest international schools in the world and one of the most noteworthy in Europe. IICS is a private, non-profit, secular, coeducational day school that serves the educational needs of Istanbul's international community.

Our diverse student and staff population represents over 75 nationalities. With a 6 to 1 Student to Educator ratio, we offer learner-centered, high-quality early childhood, primary, and secondary education for 500 students across two campuses.



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International
Education



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DIVERSE STUDENT BODY AND FACULTY

FACULTY PROFILE



128 School-Wide
Faculty and Staff



65% of Faculty hold
Master's Degree or PhD



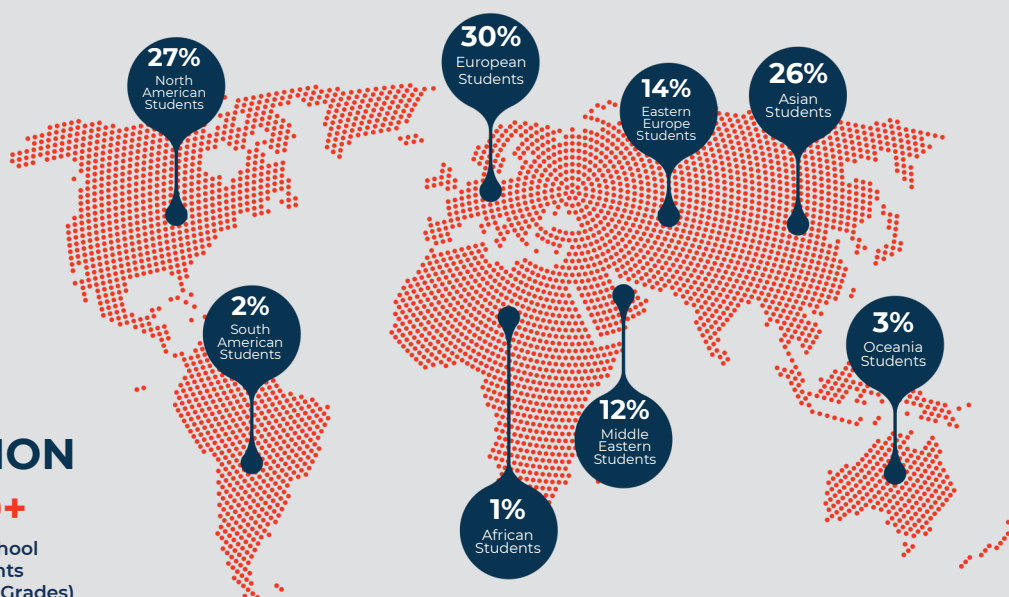
6:1 Student to
Educator Ratio

STUDENTS COMPOSITION

500+
Students
School-Wide

75+
Nationalities
School-Wide

150+
High School
Students
(9th - 12th Grades)



PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

Students have the option to earn one of the following combinations by the end of Grade 12.

1. IICS High School Diploma
2. IICS High School Diploma + IB Diploma
3. IICS High School Diploma + Impact & Innovation Diploma



1. HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA (Grades 9-12)

Accredited by CIS & NEASC
Assisted by the US Office of Overseas Schools

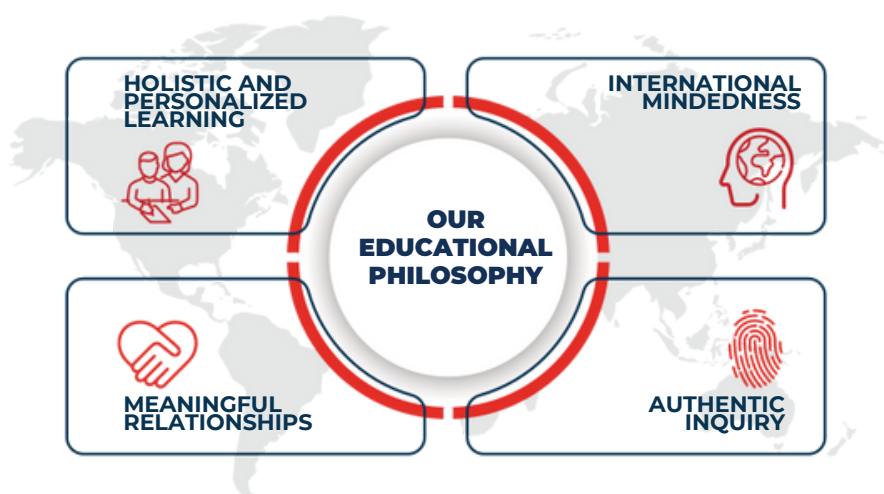
The high school program at IICS is accredited by CIS and NEASC and awards a globally recognized US diploma upon completion of 26 credits from Grades 9 to 12.

IICS is assisted by the US Office of Overseas Schools through the US State Department, ensuring that our diploma is apostilled in the United States and valid worldwide.

HS Diploma Requirements

IICS High School Diploma requires completion of a minimum **26 credits** (1 Credit = 1 Full Year).
A typical credit distribution would be:

English	●	● 4
Science	●	● 3
Mathematics	●	● 3
Social Studies	●	● 3
Foreign Languages	●	● 2
Physical Education	●	● 2
Electives	●	● 9
TOTAL	●	● 26



2. IB DIPLOMA (Grades 11-12)

Authorized by the IBO
(International Baccalaureate Organization)

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) emphasizes both breadth and depth of knowledge, allowing students to excel in traditional academic subjects while exploring the nature of knowledge through its unique Theory of Knowledge course.

The programme promotes intellectual growth fostering a comprehensive development that prepares students to succeed academically, through its rigorous curriculum and exams.

IB Core Requirements



TOK (Theory of Knowledge)



CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service)



EE (The Extended Essay)

IBDP Requirements

6 two-year-long courses

6 final exams at the end of grade 12

IB Core Requirements (CAS, EE, TOK)

GROUP 1

Studies In Language And Literature

English A Lang & Lit
Korean A Lang & Lit
Self-taught Literature

GROUP 2

Language Acquisition

English B
French B
Spanish B & ab initio

GROUP 3

Individuals And Societies

Global Politics
Economics
Business Management
Psychology

GROUP 4

Experimental Sciences

Physics
Biology
Chemistry
ESS

GROUP 5

Mathematics

Analysis & Approaches
Applications & Interpret.

GROUP 6

The Arts

Visual Arts

* Option of a 2nd Subject from groups 3 or 4



3. IICS IMPACT & INNOVATION DIPLOMA (GRADES 9-12)

Accredited by CIS & NEASC in Collaboration with International Schools,
Assisted by the US Office of Overseas Schools

A multiple entry 9th to 12th grade graduation pathway for changemakers, innovators, and creative thinkers to take charge of their learning and lead with impact.

The IICS Impact & Innovation Diploma empowers students to become **adaptive, creative, and purposeful leaders** through a bold, **forward-thinking** educational experience. Rooted in academic rigor and real-world relevance, the program invites students to engage in interdisciplinary learning, tackle authentic challenges, and develop the skills to thrive in college, careers, and beyond. The program is anchored in three **Domains of Distinction: Impact Ready, College Ready, and Future Ready.**

Impact Ready

In collaboration with community partners, this domain empowers students to take action through agency, meaningful learning, and wellbeing.

2 Credits

- **Leadership for Impact (0.5 credit)** Cultivate agency, vision, and purposeful leadership
- **Impact Project (0.5 credit)** Lead a self-directed initiative addressing a real-world issue
- **Consultancy Studio (0.5 credit)** Collaborate hands-on with external clients or organizations
- **Impact Portfolio (0.5 credit)** Create a reflective showcase of learning, growth, and contribution



College Ready

This domain builds a strong academic foundation through personalized combinations of advanced coursework and external credentials, preparing students for university and future success.

4 Credits

- **Advanced Placement (AP) Courses & Exams** – On-demand (online, hybrid, or in-person)
and/ or
- **IBDP Certificate Courses & Exams** – In-person through available IICS offerings
and/ or
- **Dual Enrollment Courses** – With universities (requires IICS pre-approval)
and/ or
- **Honors-Level Courses** – From IICS and accredited providers (requires IICS pre-approval)



Future Ready

Future-Ready Courses empower students to explore passions and emerging careers through hands-on experiences that build industry skills and connect learning to real-world professions and university pathways

4 Credits

- **STEM**
- **Innovation Lab**
- **Robotics**
- **Game Design**
- **Math & Innovation**
- **Fashion Design**
- **Studio Art**
- **Culinary Arts**
- **Performing Arts**
- **Light & Sound Engineering**
- **Music Lab**
- **Digital Marketing**
- **Creative Media**
- **Communications**
- **Entrepreneurship**
- **Leadership & Management**
- **Sports & Fitness**
- **Sports Science**
- **AI Studio**

HS OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL GROWTH

50+ Athletics, Activities & Student Led Clubs

ATHLETICS

Football
Cross-Country
Badminton
Basketball
Volleyball
Tennis

TRIPS

National & International Trips
Local Field Trips

COMPETITIONS

MUN
Speech and Debate
Knowledge Bowl
Mathematics
Robotics

SERVICE

Refugee Outreach
Animal Welfare
Environmental Club

LEADERSHIP

STUCO
Innovation & Entrepreneurship
The Splash
Creative Industries

ARTS

Band
Choir
Drama
Art
Honor Society
Dance
Film

CLUBS

Dolphin Squad
Science
GSA
PSAT Prep
Medical Group
Quilling



UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

Top 100 universities in the world are shown in bold.

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

UNITED STATES

American University
Amherst College
Babson College
Bard College
Barnard College
Bentley College
Boston College
Boston University
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
Brown University
Bryant University
California College of the Arts
Chapman University
Clark University
Clemson University
College of William and Mary
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia University
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
DePaul University
Dickenson University
Drew University
Drexel University
Duke University
Duquesne University
Eckerd College
Elon University
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
Emerson College
Endicott College
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Fashion Institute of Technology
Florida Institute of Technology
Fordham University
Franciscan University
Franklin and Marshall College
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Technical University
Green Mountain College
Hofstra University
Indiana University, Bloomington
Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University
Johnson & Wales University
Kean University
Knox College
La Verne University
Lasell College
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Lincoln Memorial University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University
Lynn University
Marist University
Maryland Institute College of Art
Marymount Loyola University
MICA (Maryland Inst. Of Creative Art)
Michigan State University
Montclair State University
New York Institute of Technology
New York University
Northeastern University
Northwestern Michigan University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
Occidental College
Pace University
Penn State University
Pepperdine University
Polytechnic Institute of New York University
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Purdue University
Ramapo College of New Jersey
Redlands University
Reed College
Rhode Island School of Design
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University
Rollins College
Rutgers University
Sarah Lawrence College
Savannah College of Art and Design
School for Visual Arts (SVA)
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Seton Hall University
Simmons University
Skidmore College
South Carolina State University
Southern Methodist University
St. Francis Xavier's University

UNITED STATES

Stanford University
State University of New York at Albany
State University of NY at Binghamton
State University of New York at Buffalo
State University of NY at Stony Brook
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stevenson University
Suffolk University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
Temple University
Texas A & M University
The College of Wooster
The New School
The University of Texas at Dallas
Towson University
Tufts University
Tulane University
University of Arizona
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, San Francisco
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Chicago
University of Colorado
University of Connecticut
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of Indiana at Bloomington
University of Iowa
University of La Verne
University of Maine
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts at Amherst
University of Massachusetts Boston
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
University of Massachusetts, Lowell
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Missouri
University of New Hampshire
University of North Carolina
University of North Dakota
University of Oregon
University of Pennsylvania
University of Rhode Island
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of South Carolina
University of Southern California
University of Southern Florida
University of Suffolk
University of Texas
University of Texas at Austin
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington, Bothell
University of Wisconsin
University of Wisconsin at Madison
University of Illinois
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Virginia Technology University
Wesleyan University
West Virginia University
Western New England University
Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania
Wheaton College
William and Mary College
William Paterson University of NJ
Wittenborg University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

TURKEY

Bahcesehir University
Istanbul Bilgi University
Ozyegin University
Sabanci University

UNITED KINGDOM

Bath Spa University
Bournemouth University
Brunel University
Cardiff University
City University of Birmingham
City, University of London
Coventry University
De Montfort University
Durham University
Imperial College/ London
King's College, University of London
Kingston University
Lancaster University
London College of Fashion
London Metropolitan University
London School of Economics
London South Bank University
Loughborough University
Manchester Metropolitan University
Metropolitan University
Middlesex University
Newcastle University
Norttingham University
Oxford Brookes University
Queen Mary College, University of London
Richmond University
Royal Holloway University
St. George University
St. Mary's University
Swansea University
The University of Liverpool
University College London
University of Aberdeen
University of Bath
University of Birmingham
University of Brighton
University of Bristol
University of Buckingham
University of Cardiff
University of Central Lancashire
University of Chester
University College London
University of Durham
University of Dundee
University of East Anglia
University of East London
University of Edinburgh
University of Essex
University of Exeter
University of Glasgow
University of Kent
University of Lancaster
University of Leeds
University of Leicester
University of Liverpool
University of London
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
University of Plymouth
University of Portsmouth
University of Sheffield
University of St. Andrews
University of Strathclyde
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of the Arts
University of the West of England
University of Warwick
University of West London
University of Westminster
University of Winchester
University of Wolverhampton
University of Worcester
University of York

ASIA

City University of Hong Kong
Hanyang University
Hong Kong University
Hong Kong University of Technology
KAIST University
Keio University
Korea University of Chemical Engineering
Meiji University
Myongji University
Nanyang Technological University
Rikkyo University
Seoul National University
Sogang University
Sophia University
University of Hong Kong (HKU)
Waseda University
Yonsei University

EUROPE

American University of Paris
American University of Rome
ArtEZ University of the Arts
BI Norwegian Business School
Bocconi University
Cattolica University
Ecole Hoteliere de Lausanne
EDHEC Business School
Eindhoven University of Technology
Erasmus University
ESCP Business School
ESSEC Business School
European Business College
European University
Franklin University
FlyBy School of Aviation / Uni of Burgos
Gerrit Rietveld Academie
Glion Institute of Higher Education
Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Hotel School of the Hague
Hult International Business School
IE University
International University
Istituto Marangoni
Iwanson International School of Contemporary Dance
John Cabot University
Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Leiden University
Les Roches International School of Hotel Management
Maastricht University
Medical University of Warsaw
NHTV Breda University Of Applied Science
Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti Milano
Nyenrode Business University
Rheinische Friederich-Wilhelm Universitaet Bonn
Universidad Europea de Madrid
Rome City Institute
Rotterdam Business School
Rotterdam University
Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
SAE Institute
Schiller University
Sorbonne University
SRH Hochschule Berlin
Stenden University
The Hague University of Applied Sciences
Tilberg University
Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
University of Amsterdam
University of Groningen
University of Leuven
University of Maastricht
University of Szedeg
University of Twente
University of Utrecht
Vesalius University
Vrije University of Amsterdam
Wageningen University Webster
University Willem de Kooning Academie

CANADA

Acadia University
Carleton University
Concordia University
HEC Montreal
Laval University
McGill University
McMaster University
Memorial University
Ontario College of Art and Design
Queen's University
Ryerson University
Simon Fraser University
Toronto Metropolitan University
University of British Columbia
University of Calgary
University of Guelph
University of Ottawa
University of Quebec at Montreal
University of Toronto
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