



COLLÈGE
CHAMPITTET
FONDÉ EN 1903

The Swiss School
Open to the World



School Profile 2024-2025

Founded in 1903, Collège Champittet is a place of learning, joy and discovery. We are committed to helping students achieve academic excellence while promoting well-being and nurturing a passion for learning. We offer an engaging curriculum for preschool, primary and secondary school students in a bilingual French-English environment with dedicated language support.

Our approach to teaching enables students not only to learn, but to understand how they learn. It helps them become inquisitive and highly skilled lifelong learners. Along the way, they develop the teamwork and leadership skills they will need to succeed in all their future endeavors.

Admissions

Collège Champittet seeks to enroll students who are enthusiastic and eager to learn. Admission is inclusive, however applicants are reviewed based on their academic record (grades, test scores, and teacher recommendations), character, extracurricular interests and talents.

Extra-curricular activities

Collège Champittet offers a diverse palette of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, including courses in Global Citizenship, music, sports, first aid, IT Clubs, a Model United Nations club, a debate club and a Sustainability club. A variety of educational trips are offered, as well as cultural events and a ski camp. Students are actively encouraged to take part in service-learning projects.

56

Nationalities

770+

Students

9:1

Student
to teacher
ratio

Average
class size

16

Over 30
extracurricular
activities

Secondary School: 300 students

14% French Baccalaureate

42% International Baccalaureate

39% Swiss Maturity

5% Français Langue Etrangère (FLE)
/French Immersion Programme

Day vs. Boarding School Student ratio

70% Day students

30% Boarding

Academic Programmes and 2024 Results

Swiss standards of excellence underpin the rigour of our academic offerings. Our three internationally recognized diploma programmes allow students to follow the pathway that best fits their learning style, interests and future goals. As a part of Nord Anglia Education, our students benefit from enhanced learning opportunities through the Juilliard Performing Arts programme, our collaboration with UNICEF and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) programme.

Grade Reporting and Class Rank

Starting in the 2023-2024 academic year, Collège Champittet moved to semester grade reporting. Mid-semester grades are also shared to give indications of a student's progress. In years prior, grades were reported once per trimester.

Grades are not weighted in terms of the rigour of coursework, however some courses have coefficients in line with course hours and national curriculum standards.

Given the diversity of our students' experiences and the variety of programmes offered in our secondary school, our students are not ranked.

International Baccalaureate

The International Baccalaureate® (IB) Diploma Programme (DP) is recognized internationally and respected for its balanced curriculum, which promotes both depth and breadth of learning. In their final two years, IB students follow a rigorous programme composed of 6 courses, with subjects in Mathematics, Sciences, Language & Literature, Language Acquisition, Individuals and Societies, and an option for Art. All subjects require external assessments. Students simultaneously complete core requirements, namely Theory of Knowledge (ToK), Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS), and an Extended Essay (EE). To pass the IB DP, students notably must achieve a minimum of 24/42 points, including the completion of the core requirements for which they may earn up to 3 additional points.

Grades are granted on a 1 to 7 scale.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Excellent	Very good	Good	Satisfactory	Mediocre	Poor	Very Poor

Champittet is an IB World School since 2009. Our school has a non-selective IB Diploma Programme. Each year, well over 90% of the graduating International Baccalaureate class attempts the full diploma. In 2024, the school had a mean score of 30.4. Our pass rate was 100% (world average = 80%), up from 92% in 2023 (world average = 79%). 35% of Champittet IB graduates received a bilingual diploma (world average = 27%) in 2024.

IB Course offering at Collège Champittet (in addition to Core Components) for Classes of 2024 and 2025

1. Studies in Language and Literature (First language)		
a. HL SL English/French/Chinese Language and Literature	b. SL SSST School Supported Self-Taught Languages	
2. Language Acquisition (Second language)		
a. HL SL French B	b. HL SL English B	c. SL French ab initio (beginner level)
3. Individuals & Societies (Human Sciences)		
a. HL SL Economics	b HL SL Geography	c. HL SL History
4. Experimental Sciences (Sciences)		
a. HL SL Biology	b. HL SL Chemistry	c. HL SL Physics
5. Mathematics		
a. HL SL Maths AA (Analysis and Approaches)	b. SL Maths AI (Applications and Interpretation)	
6. Arts HL SL Visual Arts		

Starting this academic year, IB students who are set to graduate in 2026 or later are also able to take Spanish ab initio (SL), Environmental Systems and Societies (SL and HL) and Business Management (SL and HL).

Swiss Maturity

The Swiss Maturity Diploma is the official Swiss secondary school leaving certificate, which allows unrestricted admission to Swiss universities, including the two federal institutes of technology. It is awarded at the end of a rigorous four-year programme which prepares students for undergraduate studies at university. This multi-disciplinary programme provides students with discipline, independence, a deep knowledge and understanding of a variety of fields, as well as the ability to analyse critically. While Champittet is an inclusive school, the Swiss Maturity is generally a highly selective diploma, with less than a quarter of students in the country attempting maturity exams. The Swiss Maturity is offered at the cantonal level, as well as the federal level.

Swiss Maturity course offering at Collège Champittet:

All students take the following Fundamental subjects:

English	History (in English)
French	Mathematics (choice of Standard or Higher Level)
Second National Language (German or Italian)	Music or Visual Arts
Biology	Physics
Chemistry	Extended Essay (4,000 words)
Geography (in English)	

Students must also select one Specific Option and one Complementary Option. The following are offered:

Specific Options:	Complementary Options (in English):
Economics and Law	Economics and Law
Latin	Philosophy
Physics and Applied Mathematics	
<i>Biochemistry and Russian are also offered by special request</i>	

All students sit comprehensive written and oral exams. Ongoing evaluations are carried out through secondary school, but these do not contribute to final exam results. Federal exams are organised by the State Secretary for Education, Research and Innovation (SEFRI) and are externally administered and assessed in two sessions: the first in the student's penultimate year and the second in the student's final year.

Session 1 (all subjects have a Coefficient of 1):

Biology
Chemistry
Geography
History
Music or Art
Physics

Session 2:

Coefficient of 3: French and Specific Option
Coefficient of 2-3: English, Mathematics, Second National Language (German or Italian)
Coefficient of 1: Complementary Option and Extended Essay

To obtain the Swiss Maturity Diploma, students notably must achieve an overall grade of 4/6 (84/126 points) and earn a grade of 4 or higher in at least 9 out of 13 subjects.

Grades are granted on a 1 to 6 scale.

5.5 – 6	5	4.5	4	3	2	1
Excellent	Very good	Good	Satisfactory	Mediocre	Poor	Very Poor

The current pass rate for cantonal Maturity exams, which include ongoing assessment in certain subjects, is around 88%, whereas the pass rate for federally administered exams, which are the ones Champittet students sit for, remains significantly lower.

Results 2022 - 2024

Year	Session Average	Champittet Average	Pass rate for Session	Pass rate for Champittet Students
2022	4.11	4.63	68%	100%
2023	4.28	4.81	65%	100%
2024	4.28	5.12	67%	100%

100% of Champittet students also received a bilingual Maturity diploma in 2022, 2023 and 2024.

French Baccalaureate

The French Baccalaureate offers a rigorous and broad curriculum established by the French Ministry of Education. The programme develops students' critical thinking and analytical skills, writing abilities and mastery of multiple languages.

In their penultimate year of studies, students select three higher-level options according to their interests, abilities and ambitions; during the final year of studies, students continue to follow coursework and prepare specialisation exams in two of these subjects. The Class of 2025 was able to choose from the following specialisations: Mathematics, Life and Earth Sciences and Economics and Social Sciences; additional specialisations, for example Physics/Chemistry, are available upon special request. Starting with the Class of 2026, English and Art are also offered as specialisations.

French Baccalaureate students are evaluated using a combination of ongoing assessment (40%) and final written and oral evaluations (60%), which are externally evaluated. To pass the Baccalaureate, students must achieve a minimum score of 10 out of 20.

Diploma recipients who earn an average of 12 or more points graduate with honours.

Grades are granted on a 1 to 20 scale.

16 – 20	14 - 15.99	12 – 13.99	10 - 11.99	8 – 9.99	0 - 7
Excellent (highest honours)	Very Good (high honours)	Good (honours)	Satisfactory	Mediocre	Very Poor / Poor

100% of Champittet students passed their French Baccalaureate exams between 2016 – 2023. The Class of 2024 was particularly small and had the following results: 2 students passed, 1 with high honours and 1 is now enrolling in an apprenticeship programme.

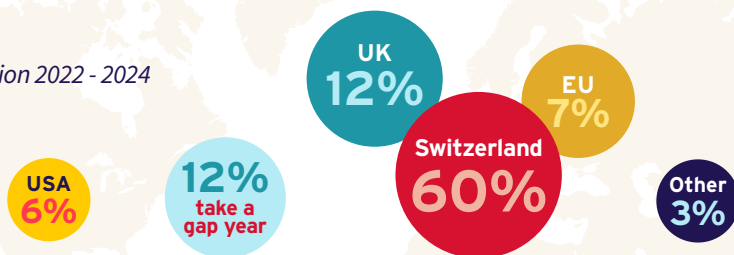
Français Langue Etrangère (FLE) / French Immersion Programme

In addition to its official diploma courses, Champittet offers a specifically structured intensive programme that allows students to immerse themselves in French language learning and prepare for recognised external French exams, namely the Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française (DELFL). Grades are granted on a 1 - 6 scale in line with the Swiss Maturity Programme.

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Destination Distribution 2022 - 2024
(approximations)



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The following is a selection of universities where recent Champittet graduates have been accepted between 2022 - 2024. Universities listed in teal are those in which our graduates matriculated.

SWITZERLAND

CREA
Ecole de Cinema de Geneve
Ecole hôtelière de Genève
École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)
Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich (ETHZ)
Franklin University
Geneva School of Diplomacy
Glion Institute of Higher Education
Les Roches
Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts
EHL Hospitality Business School
Sports Managmeent School Lausanne (SMS)
Università della Svizzera italiana (USI)
University of Bern
University of Fribourg
University of Geneva
University of Lausanne
University of St Gallen
University of Zürich
Webster University

EUROPEAN UNION

Emlyon Business School
Erasmus University Rotterdam
Esade Ramon Lull University
IE University
La Sorbonne University
Leiden University
Radboud University
Sciences Po
Sciences Po Grenoble
The Hague University of Applied Sciences
Universidad CEU San Pablo, Spain
Universidad Pontificia Comillas, ICADE
University of Maastricht
University of Tilburg
Utrecht University

UNITED STATES

Butler University
Chapman University
Columbia College
Connecticut College
DePauw University
Drew University
Elon University
Fairfield University
Fordham University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Hampton University
Howard University
Indiana University Bloomington
Ithaca College
Loyola Marymount University
Michigan State University
Northeastern University
Pennsylvania State University
Rutgers University
Saint Mary's College of California
Southern Methodist University
Spelman College
Stanford University
Tulane University
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Colorado, Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of Miami
University of New Hampshire
University of Pittsburgh
University of San Diego
University of Wisconsin, Madison
Xavier University

UNITED KINGDOM

Aberystwyth University
Aston University, Birmingham
BIMM
Birkbeck, University of London
Courtauld Institute of Art, University of London
City, University of London
Hartpury University
Imperial College London
INTO, University of Manchester
Keele University
King's College London
Kingston University
Leeds Beckett University
London Metropolitan University
Loughborough University
Middlesex University London
Northeastern University, London
Nottingham Trent University
Oxford Brookes University
Queen Mary University of London
Richmond, American University London
Royal Holloway, University of London
SOAS University of London
University of the Arts London
University of Aberdeen
University of Bedfordshire
University of Birmingham
University of Bristol
University of Chichester
University of East London
University of Edinburgh
University of Exeter
University of Glasgow
University of Greenwich
University of Kent
University of Leeds
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
University of Reading
University of Salford
University of St Andrews
University of Strathclyde
INTO University of Stirling
University of Surrey
University of Warwick
University of Westminster
University of York

OTHER DESTINATIONS

American University of Beirut
Macquarie University
Tsukuba University
University of Queensland
University of Toronto

