



SECONDARY SCHOOL PROFILE

2023-2024



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BIS HCMC FAST FACTS



STUDENTS

2390



NATIONALITIES

55+



IB DIPLOMA PASS RATE
IN 2023

98.1%



AVERAGE POINTS AWARDED
TO BIS STUDENTS IN 2023

36.7

WORLD: 30.2



37.4%

OF IBDP STUDENTS AWARDED
40 POINTS OR MORE

WORLD: 14.4%



98.5%

OF STUDENTS ACHIEVING
5 IGCSE'S AT A*-C IN 2023

Overview

The British International School Ho Chi Minh City, part of the Nord Anglia Education group, is a selective, independent, co-educational day school. We provide a British style education for an international student body aged between 2-18 years of age across spread across 3 purpose built campuses.

Administration

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School Memberships and Authorisations

- IB World School delivering the IB Diploma Programme (IBDP)
- Cambridge International Examinations IGCSE
- Member of the Council of International Schools (CIS)
- Member of the Federation of British International Schools in Asia (FOBISIA)
- Inspected, approved and rated as 'Outstanding in all categories' by the British Government (BSO Inspection November 2022)
- Member of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)
- Registered with the Department for Education in the UK
- Licensed in Vietnam by the Ministry of Education and Training (MOET)

BIS HCMC University Destinations 2023

23%

USA

33%

UK

8%

EUROPE

3%

CANADA

5%

SINGAPORE

5%

SOUTH KOREA

17%

AUSTRALIA



IBDP FAST FACTS

MAY 2023 EXAMINATION SERIES

- 16th IBDP cohort to graduate, and second largest cohort of 107 graduates
- BIS students awarded 36.7 average points compared to the world average of 30.2
- 3 students awarded the maximum score of 45 points putting them in the top 1% of students worldwide
- A further 8 students received a near perfect score of 44 points
- 37.4% of students awarded 40 points or more
- 72% of students achieved 35 or more points. In total, 86% of our IBDP graduates scored above the world average
- 13.1% of our students were awarded a Bilingual Diploma
- BIS IB Diploma pass rate was 98.1%

IGCSE FAST FACTS

MAY 2023 EXAMINATION SERIES

- Second largest IGCSE cohort of 130 students
- 98.2% of grades awarded were A*-C
- 70.2% of grades achieved were A*/A
- 19.2% of the year group, achieved A*/A in all subjects
- 35.4% of the year group, achieved A*/A in at least 8 subjects
- 51 students were entered in to their IGCSE Extended Mathematics one year early and whilst in Year 10 (Grade 9) with 98% achieving A*/A
- 98.5% of all students achieved 5 A*-C grades

Curriculum and Results

BIS HCMC delivers a curriculum that is both stimulating and challenging, providing a broad and balanced education that is essential in preparing students for the future.

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE - YEAR 6 (GRADE 5)

- National Curriculum of England and International Primary Curriculum (IPC).

YEAR 7 (GRADE 6) - YEAR 9 (GRADE 8)

- National Curriculum of England - Key Stage 3

YEARS 10 AND 11 (GRADES 9 & 10)

- Cambridge IGCSE for all subjects except English, where we follow Oxford AQA.
- Grades are awarded by Cambridge International Examinations on the scale A*- G in all subjects except for English which are awarded 9-1.

YEARS 12 AND 13 (GRADES 11 & 12)

- IB Diploma Programme (IBDP).

IBDP students study 6 subjects, 3 at Higher Level (HL) and 3 at Standard Level (SL). Final results in each subject are awarded according to the 7-point grading scale as stated by the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO), in which 1 is the lowest and 7 is the highest.

A maximum of 3 points is awarded for successful completion of the DP core subjects of Theory of Knowledge (ToK) and Extended Essay (EE), each of which is graded from A – E. This makes a total of 45 points.

Full participation in, and completion of, the Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS) core element is also required.

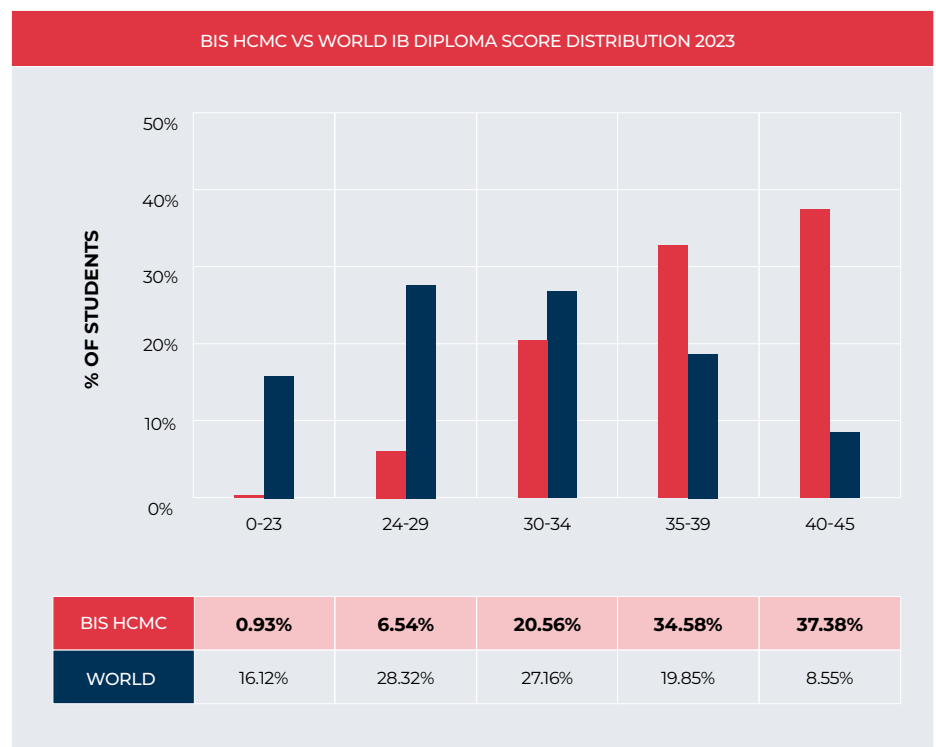
As a school we do not rank our students, calculate GPAs or convert IB points to other scales.

The following BIS data uses the IBO World Statistical Bulletin for comparison in terms of world averages.

IB GRADE	AVE. BIS HCMC STUDENT	AVE. WORLD STUDENT
May 2023	36.7	30.2
May 2022	38.03	31.98
May 2021	40.40	33.02
May 2020	38.0	29.9
May 2019	35.8	29.6

Examination Analysis

BIS HCMC VS WORLD IB DIPLOMA SCORE DISTRIBUTION 2023



IB Diploma Programme Results 2022-2023

HIGHER LEVEL SUBJECTS

GROUP	SUBJECT	NO. OF CANDIDATES	BIS HCMC AVE. GRADE	WORLD AVE. GRADE
Group 1	English A: Language and Literature	26	5.73	4.79
	English A: Literature	1	6.00	4.56
	Korean A: Literature	1	6.00	5.83
	Vietnamese A: Literature	2	6.00	5.95
Group 2	English B	4	6.00	5.70
	French B	3	6.00	5.15
	Spanish B	3	5.33	5.31
Group 3	Business Management	45	6.07	4.94
	Economics	28	5.86	5.11
	Geography	11	5.45	5.25
	History	6	6.17	4.33
	Digital Society	1	6.00	4.30
	Psychology	25	5.84	4.78
Group 4	Biology	38	5.79	4.39
	Chemistry	25	5.80	4.56
	Computer Science	7	5.14	4.41
	Design Technology	7	5.57	4.66
	Physics	21	5.76	4.80
	Sports, Exercise + Sports Science	6	5.83	4.77
Group 5	Mathematics Analysis & Approaches	43	5.74	4.87
	Mathematics Applications & Interpretation	5	5.00	4.37
Group 6	Music	2	5.00	4.78
	Theatre	4	5.75	5.00
	Visual Arts	7	6.29	4.39

STANDARD LEVEL SUBJECTS

GROUP	SUBJECT	NO. OF CANDIDATES	BIS HCMC AVE. GRADE	WORLD AVE. GRADE
Group 1	English A: Language and Literature	66	5.62	6.00
	English A: Literature	4	5.25	4.91
	Korean A: Literature	4	6.50	5.81
	Vietnamese A: Literature	7	6.43	5.56
Group 2	Chinese	17	6.53	5.73
	French Ab initio	5	5.00	4.78
	French B	14	5.64	5.02
	Spanish Ab initio	23	5.35	4.92
	Spanish B	20	5.55	4.93
Group 3	Mandarin Ab initio	8	6.13	5.14
	Business Management	10	6.90	4.94
	Economics	15	6.13	4.75
	Digital Society	3	5.67	4.21
	Psychology	9	5.89	4.45
	Group 4	Biology	16	5.50
Chemistry		8	5.50	4.10
Computer Science		1	6.00	3.93
Design Technology		4	4.25	3.97
Environmental Systems and Societies		11	4.91	4.22
Physics		4	5.50	4.21
Sports, Exercise + Sports Science		3	6.00	3.92
Group 5	Mathematics Analysis & Approaches	48	5.69	4.61
	Mathematics Applications & Interpretation	11	4.91	3.87
Group 6	Music	3	6.00	4.16
	Theatre	1	7.00	4.61

Secondary School Curriculum 2022-2023

THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP) - 2 YEAR PROGRAMME IN YEARS 12 - 13

LANGUAGE & LITERATURE	LANGUAGE ACQUISITION	INDIVIDUALS & SOCIETIES	EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES	MATHEMATICS	ARTS & ELECTIVES
English A: Literature [HL/SL] English A: Language & Literature [HL/SL] Korean A: Literature [HL/SL] Vietnamese A: Language & Literature [HL/SL] Literature & Performance [SL]	Chinese B [HL/SL] Chinese ab initio [SL] English A English B [HL/SL] French B [HL/SL] Spanish B [HL/SL] Spanish ab initio [SL] French ab initio [SL]	Business Management [HL/SL] Economics [HL/SL] Geography [HL/SL] History [HL/SL] Psychology [HL/SL] Digital Society [HL/SL]	Biology [HL/SL] Chemistry [HL/SL] Physics [HL/SL] Design Technology [HL/SL] Sports, Exercise and Health Science (SEHS)[HL/SL] Environmental Systems and Societies (ESS)[HL/SL] Computer Science [HL/SL]	Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (HL/SL) Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations (HL/SL)	Visual Arts [HL/SL] Music [HL/SL] Theatre [HL/SL] Or an elective from Individuals & Societies or Experimental Sciences

INTERNATIONAL GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION - 2 YEAR PROGRAMME IN YEARS 10 - 11 (PRE - IBDP)

CORE REQUIREMENTS		FOUR OPTION CHOICES FROM LANGUAGES, HUMANITIES, TECHNOLOGY & THE ARTS			
Biology Chemistry Physics Co-ordinated Sciences Vietnamese (for all Vietnamese passport holders)	English Language English Literature Mathematics Wellbeing (no IGCSE) Physical Education (no IGCSE)	Chinese French Spanish	Art and Design Drama Music	Business Studies Economics Geography History Physical Education	Information & Communication Technology Computer Science Design Technology

We do not recommend students to take Business Studies & Economics, Computer Science & ICT and more than one foreign language. Students take either separate sciences or Co-ordinated Science. Vietnamese students must select Vietnamese Literature as 1 of their 4 option choices.

TOP 100 UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS 2023

Since the first IBDP Cohort in 2010, BIS HCMC students have attended top-ranked colleges and universities around the world every year, including the following institutions which are currently ranked in the QS Top 100.

UNITED KINGDOM

University of Birmingham
University of Bristol
University of Cambridge
University of Edinburgh
University of Glasgow
Durham University
Imperial College London
King's College London
London School of Economics and Political Science
University College London
University of Leeds
University of Manchester
The University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
University of Southampton
University of Warwick

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Boston University
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of Chicago
University of Michigan
University of Pennsylvania
University of Washington
Carnegie Mellon University
Columbia University
Cornell University
Duke University
Georgia Institute of Technology
New York University
Northwestern University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Stanford University
Yale University

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

University of Adelaide
Australian National University
Monash University
University of Auckland, New Zealand
University of Melbourne
University of Sydney, New South Wales
University of Western Australia
University of Queensland
The University of Technology, Sydney

CANADA

University of British Columbia
McGill University
University of Toronto

ASIA

The Chinese University, Hong Kong

Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Hong Kong University of Science & Technology
University of Hong Kong
Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology
Korea University
National University of Singapore
Nanyang Technological University
Seoul National University
University of Tokyo
National Taiwan University
Yonsei University, Korea

EUROPE & OTHER COUNTRIES

University of Amsterdam
Universitat Heidelberg
KU Leuven
Trinity College, Dublin

OTHER INSTITUTIONS

In addition to the QS Top 100 our students have also attended a diverse range of world-renowned colleges and universities for specialist subjects.

UNITED KINGDOM

Architectural Association School of Architecture
University of Bath
Birkbeck University of London
Cardiff University
Central St Martins, University of the Arts
University of Exeter
Goldsmiths, University of London
Lancaster University
University of Liverpool
Loughborough University
Newcastle University
Queen Mary University of London
Royal Holloway, University of London
University of Westminster
University of York
University of Sheffield
University of Sussex
University of Central Lancashire
Royal Central School of Speech and Drama

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Berklee College of Music
University of Boston
Arizona State University
University of California, Santa Cruz,
Fordham University
Academy of Art University
Pratt Institute
College of William and Mary
Connecticut College
Dartmouth College

Emory University
The George Washington University
Harvey Mudd College
HULT Business School
Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA)
University of Massachusetts - Amherst
Parsons School of Design at The New School
Pennsylvania State University
Pomona College
Pratt Institute
Northeastern University
University of Utah
Savannah College of Art and Design
Mercer University
Fordham University
Brigham Young University
University of Richmond
Rollins College
Mount Holyoak
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of Wisconsin-Madison
San Diego State University
Rhode Island School of Design
School of the Art Institute Chicago
University of Southern California
Tufts University
Wellesley College

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

Blue Mountains Hotel School
James Cook University

RMIT University

CANADA

University of Calgary
Concordia University
Dalhousie University
Brock University
Emily Carr University of Art & Design
McMaster University
University of Waterloo
Bishop's University

ASIA

Fulbright University Vietnam
Hanyang University, Korea
International Islamic University of Malaysia
Kyushu University, Japan
LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore
Nagoya University, Japan
National Taipei University
University of the Philippines
RMIT Vietnam
Savannah College of Art & Design
Hong Kong
Singapore Management University
Sungshin Women's University, Korea
Sungkyunkwan University
Waseda University, Japan
Yale-NUS College, Singapore

EUROPE & OTHER COUNTRIES

Aalborg University, Denmark
The American University of Rome

Universiteit Antwerpen, Belgium
University of Cape Town, South Africa
University College Cork, Ireland
Ecole Hoteliere de Lausanne, Switzerland
Eindhoven Institute of Technology, The Netherlands
Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands
European University Business School, Spain
Glon Institute of Higher Education, Switzerland
University of Groningen, The Netherlands
Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands
INSA Lyon, France
Istituto Marangoni Fashion & Design School, Italy
Les Roches International School of Hotel Management
Maastricht University
IE University, Madrid
Copenhagen Business School
Swiss School of Tourism & Hospitality, Switzerland
Simmelweis University, Hungary
University College Utrecht, The Netherlands
University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest, Hungary
Willem de Kooning Academy, The Netherlands



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