



**BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL  
HO CHI MINH CITY**  
A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL



# Senior School Profile

## 2021-2022

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## BIS HCMC Fast Facts



STUDENTS

**2383**



NATIONALITIES

**52**



BIS IB DIPLOMA PASS RATE

**100%**



AVERAGE POINTS AWARDED  
TO BIS STUDENTS

**40.4**

WORLD AVE: 33.02



**68%**

OF STUDENTS AWARDED  
40 POINTS OR MORE,  
COMPARED TO THE WORLD  
AVERAGE OF 9%

## Overview

The British International School, Ho Chi Minh City is a selective, independent, co-educational day school, providing a British style education for an international student body.

## Administration

### PRINCIPAL

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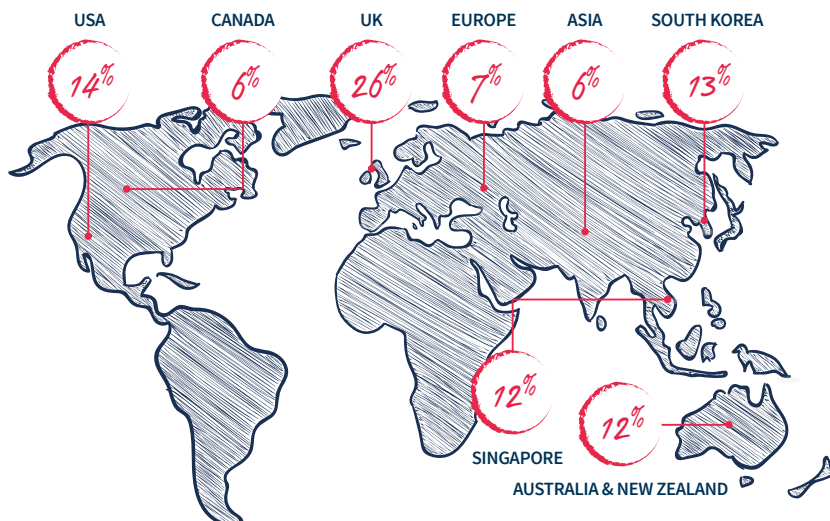
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## School Memberships and Authorisations

- 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 April 2019)
- 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 2021



GAP YEAR | NATIONAL SERVICE: 4%

# IBDP Fast Facts

## MAY 2021 EXAMINATION SERIES

- 14th IB cohort to graduate, growing from 6 graduates in 2008 to 96 in 2021
- BIS students awarded 40.4 average points compared to the world average of 33.02
- 6 students awarded the maximum score of 45 points putting them in the top 1.4% of students worldwide
- A further 18 students received a near perfect score of 44 points
- 68% of students awarded 40 points or more, compared to the world average of 9%
- 90% of students achieved 35 or more points. In total, 94% of our IBDP graduates scored above the world average.
- 21.3 % of our students were awarded a Bilingual Diploma
- BIS Diploma pass rate was 100%
- 74% of students achieved Grade A or B for the Extended Essay, compared to the world average of 41%; 79% achieved a Grade A or B for Theory of Knowledge compared with the world average of 39%

# IGCSE Fast Facts

## MAY 2021 EXAMINATION SERIES

- 99.4% of grades awarded were A\*-C
- 83.8% of grades achieved were A\*/A
- 60 students, 48% of the year group, achieved A\*/A in all subjects
- 77 students, 63% of the year group, achieved A\*/A in at least 8 subjects
- 38 students were entered in to their IGCSE Extended Mathematics one year early and whilst in Year 10 (Grade 9) all received A\*

## 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.

### RECEPTION [KINDERGARTEN] - YEAR 9 [GRADE 8]

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

### YEARS 10 AND 11 [GRADES 9+10]

- Cambridge IGCSE
- Grades are awarded by Cambridge International Examinations on the scale A\* - G

### 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 bonus 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.

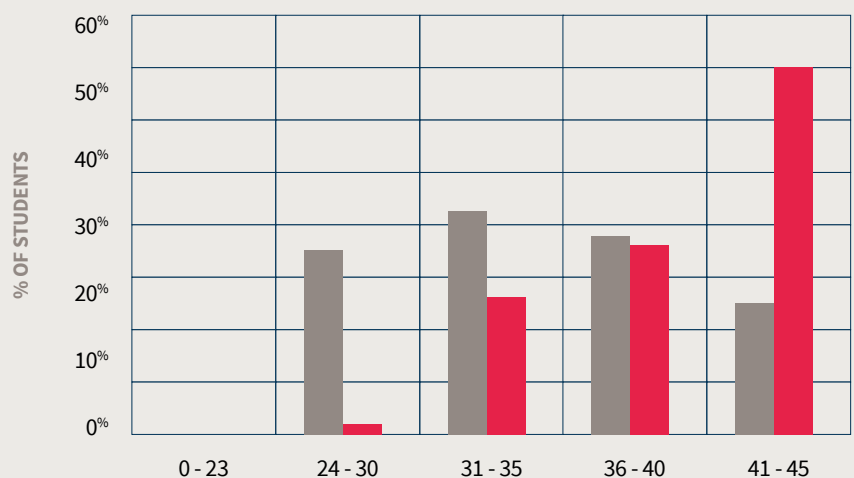
As a school we do not rank our students, calculate GPAs or convert IB points to other scales.

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

IB GRADE	AVERAGE BIS STUDENT	AVERAGE WORLD STUDENT
<b>May 2021</b>	<b>40.40</b>	<b>33.02</b>
May 2020	38.0	29.9
May 2019	35.8	29.6
May 2018	36.4	29.8
May 2017	36.3	30.0

## Examination Analysis

### BIS HCMC VS WORLD IB DIPLOMA SCORE DISTRIBUTION 2021



<b>BIS</b>	0%	1%	17%	27%	55%
<b>WORLD</b>	0%	25%	31%	28%	16%

## IB Diploma Programme Results 2020-2021

### Higher Level Subjects

GROUP	SUBJECT	NO. OF CANDIDATES	BIS AVERAGE GRADE	WORLD AVERAGE GRADE
Group 1	English A: Language and Literature	19	6.00	5.13
	English A: Literature	4	6.75	4.87
	Korean A: Literature	2	6.50	6.04
	Vietnamese A: Literature	2	6.50	5.81
Group 2	English B	4	6.75	6.16
	Chinese	4	6.75	6.49
	Spanish B	1	7.00	5.89
Group 3	Business Management	30	6.55	5.65
	Economics	26	6.58	5.62
	Geography	12	5.80	5.79
	History	7	6.29	4.69
	Digital Society	4	5.33	5.06
	Psychology	23	6.26	5.29
Group 4	Biology	25	6.52	5.04
	Chemistry	25	6.60	5.38
	Computer Science	2	6.50	5.62
	Design Technology	11	6.40	4.80
	Physics	26	6.42	5.34
	Sports, Exercise + Sports Science	4	5.67	5.23
Group 5	Mathematics Analysis & Approaches	41	6.51	5.44
	Mathematics Applications & Interpretation	6	6.33	5.19
Group 6	Music	2	6.50	5.05
	Theatre	3	6.67	5.24
	Visual Arts	4	6.50	4.56

### Standard Level Subjects

GROUP	SUBJECT	NO. OF CANDIDATES	BIS AVERAGE GRADE	WORLD AVERAGE GRADE
Group 1	English A: Language and Literature	54	5.96	5.44
	English A: Literature	3	6.00	5.34
	Korean A: Literature	9	6.22	6.04
	Spanish A	1	6.00	5.51
	Vietnamese A: Literature	7	6.14	5.52
Group 2	English B	11	6.82	5.86
	Chinese	24	6.58	6.17
	French B	12	6.42	5.22
	Spanish Ab initio	25	6.42	5.31
	Mandarin Ab initio	10	6.56	5.28
	Business Management	7	7.00	5.65
Group 3	Economics	14	6.50	5.35
	Geography	3	6.67	5.38
	History	3	7.00	5.01
	Digital Society	3	6.00	4.95
	Psychology	12	6.42	5.03
	Biology	13	6.08	4.69
Group 4	Chemistry	11	6.73	5.00
	Computer Science	5	6.80	5.36
	Design Technology	2	7.00	4.53
	Environmental Systems and Societies	6	5.00	4.69
	Physics	2	5.50	4.92
	Sports, Exercise + Sports Science	0		4.42
	Mathematics Analysis & Approaches	20	6.20	5.19
Group 5	Mathematics Applications & Interpretation	29	6.00	4.76
	Music	2	7.00	4.88
Group 6	Theatre	0		5.01
	Visual Arts	1	6.00	4.24

## Senior School Curriculum 2020-2021

### 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: Literature [HL/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]	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 [SL] Environmental Systems and Societies (ESS)[SL] Computer Science [SL]	Higher Level Standard Level Mathematical Studies [SL]	Visual Arts [HL/SL] Music [HL/SL] Theatre [HL/SL] Or an elective from Individuals & Societies or Experimental Sciences

## IGCSE Curriculum 2020-2021

### International General Certificate of Secondary Education - 2 Year Programme in Years 10 - 11 (Pre - IB)

CORE REQUIREMENTS		FOUR OPTION CHOICES FROM LANGUAGES, HUMANITIES, TECHNOLOGY & THE ARTS			
Biology Chemistry Physics Co-ordinated Sciences	English Language English Literature International Life Skills Physical Education Mathematics	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/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 2010-2021

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

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

University of California, Berkeley  
University of California, Los Angeles  
University of California, San Diego  
Carnegie Mellon University  
University of Chicago  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
Duke University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
University of Michigan  
New York University  
Northwestern University  
University of Pennsylvania  
Stanford University  
University of Washington  
University of Wisconsin-Madison

## AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

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

## CANADA

University of British Columbia  
McGill University  
University of Toronto

## ASIA

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  
Sungkyunkwan University  
University of Tokyo  
National Taiwan University  
Yonsei University, Korea

## EUROPE & OTHER COUNTRIES

University of Amsterdam  
University of Heidelberg  
KU Leuven



## 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  
Cardiff University  
Birkbeck University of London  
University of Exeter  
Central St Martins, University of the Arts  
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

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Berklee College of Music  
University of Boston  
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  
Purdue University  
Rhode Island School of Design  
School of the Art Institute Chicago  
University of Southern California  
Tufts University  
Wellesley College

## AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

University of Adelaide  
Blue Mountains Hotel School  
James Cook University  
RMIT University

## CANADA

University of Calgary  
Concordia 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  
Sungshin Women's University, Korea  
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  
Swiss School of Tourism & Hospitality, Switzerland  
Simmelweis University, Hungary  
Trinity College Dublin, Ireland  
University College Utrecht, The Netherlands  
University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest, Hungary  
Willem de Kooning Academy, The Netherlands



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