ISZL High School Profile 2023-24



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OUR SCHOOL

Founded in 1961, ISZL is a private, non-profit day school providing education for students aged 3 to 18 in Central Switzerland. Through dynamic and hands-on learning opportunities offered in and outside the classroom, a rigorous academic programme, community and service-oriented experiences, and the international cultures represented by our community, ISZL connects students to the greater world around them. ISZL is accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), a US accrediting commission.

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IB Code 1837 **UCAS Number**

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OUR MISSION

We are a community of learners determined to make the world or our corner of it - a better, kinder place. We reflect our values in everything we do so that we make the most of opportunities and challenges in a spirit of enthusiastic inquiry.

OUR VISION

We help every student turn their learning into action, creating the opportunity to stretch themselves further and achieve more than they believe possible.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

ISZL provides a rigorous college preparatory high school curriculum that leads to our NEASC-accredited ISZL High School Diploma. All students partake in a well-rounded educational experience through the successful completion of the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) in Grades 9-10. In Grades 11-12, students have the opportunity to choose between the IB Diploma Programme or ISZL High School Programme. Around 60% of our students complete the IB Diploma Programme, while 40% complete the High School/ AP Programme.

ISZL AT A GLANCE

2023-24 FACTS AND FIGURES



Enrolment 1,260 475



Enrolment



2024



Number of Faculty 70

116



Nationalities Represented 68

Native languages spoken

within school community

53



Faculty / Student Ratio

1:7

Netherlands 5% United Kingdom 19% Switzerland 5% Germany 7% United States 12%

Nationalities

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate from ISZL, students must demonstrate satisfactory completion of the IB Middle Years Programme and subsequent satisfactory completion of the IB Diploma Programme, or the ISZL High School Programme, including a minimum of:

- Ten courses over Grades 11 and 12
- Six courses in both Grades 9 and 10
- Four years: Service Project(s)
- Three years: English and Humanities and Science and Mathematics (at least one year in Grade 11 or 12)
- Two years: Language Acquisition
- Two years: Arts or Design or Physical and Health Education

CLASS OF 2024

The Class of 2024 has 116 students. The High School enrolment is 475 students, with approximately 120 students per grade level.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The PDP is a mandatory component of the ISZL pastoral curriculum. The PDP is made up of three school-wide elements – Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE), Service Projects and a Personal Development Week – that engages students in their development as well-rounded individuals.

PSHE

PSHE explores a wide range of topics including healthy relationships, healthy minds and healthy bodies, decision making, life skills, mindfulness, sex education, social media, college counselling support, leadership, academic honesty and child protection.

PRINCIPLED INNOVATIONS PROGRAMME (PIP)

PIP is designed to provide learning experiences that will help Grade 9 and 10 students to live ISZL's mission, vision and values. The PIP programme focuses on teaching students to deepen a personal understanding of their identities, core values and motivations, consider how they as individuals interact with and contribute to the community, and develop an orientation towards principled and sustainable action.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT WEEK (PDW)

The Personal Development Week (PDW) programme challenges our students to engage in service and to expand their horizons. Held at locations around Europe and the wider world, the PDW allows students to continue their learning in a real-world context. In the words of our school vision, they are encouraged to turn their learning into action. ISZL partners with community organisations to ensure the work done on PDWs makes a long-lasting impact. Projects are centred around the UN Sustainable Development Goals. They link to the IB DP CAS (Creativity, Activity and Service) programme, the ISZL High School service programme and Service as Action in the IB Middle Years Programme.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SERVICE

The SEES programme incorporates the IB Middle Years Programme Service as Action and the IB Diploma Programme's CAS (Creativity, Activity & Service). The programme challenges students to identify needs and problems, to bring subject-specific skills to real world contexts and to collaborate and innovate in order to become part of the solution.

The completion of a range of SEES-related activities is a core requirement of all of our High School programmes:

- Grade 9/10 MYP students need to meet the Service as Action learner outcomes.
- Grade 11/12 IBDP/High School students need to meet CAS/ Service requirements.



The ISZL Class of 2023

AP® RESULTS

ADVANCED PLACEMENT® (AP) 2021-2023



CATEGORY	2021	2022	2023
No. of AP Exams taken	244	267	296
ISZL % of passing scores	88%	90%	91%
ISZL Mean Score	3.9	4.0	4.0
ISZL Scores of 4+	63%	72%	73%

AP® scholars

AP® scholars honours

AP® scholars distinction

AP® International Diploma recipients

18

28

10

ISZL 2023 AP exams with scores of 3 or higher



ISZL 2023 AP exams with scores of 4 or higher

IB RESULTS

IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP) 2021-2023



CATEGORY	2021	2022	2023
No. of IB Diploma Candidates	59	59	61
ISZL % of Candidates passing Diploma	98%	100%	97%
ISZL Average IB Score	38	38	35
ISZL Scores of 36+	75%	74%	46%

ISZL 2023 IB Diploma Programme pass rate

ΙB Diploma candidates

ISZL average IBDP score

35





ISZL 2023 IBDP students scoring 40 points or higher



ISZL 2023 IBDP students scoring 36-39 points



ISZL 2023 IBDP students scoring 30-35 points



ISZL 2023 IBDP students scoring 24-29 points

AP SCORE DISTRIBUTION (NUMBER OF EXAMS) 2023

SUBJECT GROUP		GRADE				TOTAL
	5	4	3	2	1	
Arts	2	6	3	1	0	12
English	5	12	8	4	0	29
Humanities	40	27	20	6	6	99
Languages	21	7	1	0	0	29
Mathematics	30	9	5	4	1	49
Sciences	23	33	18	3	1	78
Total Number 2023	121	94	55	18	8	296
Total Percentage (%) 2023	41	32	18	6	3	100

ISZL GRADING SYSTEM

ISZL 7-POINT GRADING SCALE VS. LETTER GRADE AND PERCENTAGE RANGE

ISZL employs a 7-point internal grading scale influenced by, but not equivalent to, the IB 1-7 grading system. ISZL does not produce or report a Grade Point Average (GPA) nor rank students.

ISZL 7-POINT GRADING SCALE	ISZL APPROXIMATE LETTER GRADE	ISZL APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE RANGE
7	A+	98-100
6	A- / A	90-97
5	B / B+	83-89
4	C+ / B-	78-82
3	C- / C	70-77
2		60-69
1	F	0-59

Please note that ISZL does not utilize a letter-based grading scale or percentages. The equivalencies provided above are additionally not universally recognised or accepted and, instead, are provided to help outside educational institutions gain an appreciation of our 1-7 grading scale.

IB SCORE DISTRIBUTION (NUMBER OF EXAMS) 2023

	GRADE				TOTAL		
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
1	27	34	12	0	0	0	74
27	18	7	1	0	0	0	53
11	46	31	9	1	0	0	98
6	24	30	15	5	2	0	82
2	20	24	18	3	0	0	67
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Total Number 2023	48	137	130	55	9	2	0	381
Total Percentage (%) 2023	13	36	34	14	2	1	0	100

BTEC RESULTS



PEARSON BTEC SUBSIDIARY DIPLOMA 2023

BTEC CREATIVE MEDIA	DIPLOMA	SUBSIDIARY DIPLOMA
Number of candidates	2	2
Distinction	2 (100%)	0
Merit	0	0
Pass	0	1 (50%)



Matriculate to College and Universities

Gap Year or Military Service

18%



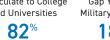












33%

United Kingdom Netherlands 21%

10%

Spain 9%

United States

2021–23 UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES AND MATRICULATION

Our students have a limit of ten applications worldwide.

Schools who receive applications from ISZL can be assured the student is a serious applicant.



AUSTRALIA

University of Technology, Sydney Australian College of Applied Psychology





Concordia University

Emily Carr University of Art and Design McGill University* McMaster University Trent University University of Alberta University of British Columbia* University of Guelph University of Toronto* University of Waterloo Queen's University



Fudan University

York University



American University in Paris **EDHEC Business School** ESCP-Europe - Paris* Paris College of Art Collège Universitaire de Sciences Po



GERMANY

Bard College Berlin Bonn-Rhein-Sieg University of Applied Sciences

Ludwig Maximilian University of

Mittweida University of Applied MSH Medical School Hamburg





HONG KONG

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

University of Hong Kong



HUNGARY

Semmelweis University of Medical Sciences



IRELAND

Trinity College Dublin



ITALY

Academia Italiana Istituto Marangoni Universita Bocconi*



NETHERLANDS

Amsterdam University College Breda University of Applied Sciences Eindhoven University of Technology Erasmus University College* **Erasmus University Rotterdam*** Fontys University of Applied Sciences HAN University of Applied Sciences Hanze University of Applied Sciences Leiden University* Leiden University College The Hague Maastricht University*

Rotterdam Business School Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences

Technical University of Delft* The Hague University of Applied Sciences

Tilburg University* University College Roosevelt* University College Venlo
University College Tilburg
University of Amsterdam*
University of Groningen*
University of Twente* Utrecht University* Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam Windesheim University of Applied



SPAIN

Abat Oliba CEU University EAE Business School ESADE Business School* European University of Madrid* IE University*
University of Navarra*
Universidad Alfonso X El Sabio



SWEDEN

Luleå University of Technology Lund University Royal Institute of Technology (KTH) University of Gävle



SWITZERLAND École Hôtelière de Lausanne*

ETH Zurich* EU Business School - Geneva Franklin University Switzerland* Lucerne University of Applied Sciences University of Lausanne University of St. Gallen* University of Zurich* Webster University Geneva



UNITED KINGDOM

Abertay University*
Arts University Bournemouth

Aston University
Birkbeck, University of London Birmingham City University **Bristol University** Brunel University London Buckinghamshire New University Cardiff Metropolitan University Cardiff University* City University of London

Coventry University Durham University*

Edinburgh Napier University Fairfield University

Goldsmiths, University of London Hartpury University Heriot-Watt University Imperial College London'

Istituto Marangoni London Keele University King's College London*

Kingston University Lancaster University Leeds Arts University Leeds Beckett University Leeds Trinity University Liverpool Hope University

London School of Economics and

Political Science Loughborough University* Manchester Metropolitan University Middlesex University

Newcastle University Norwich University of the Arts Nottingham Trent University Queen Mary University of London Ravensbourne University London

Regent's University* **Robert Gordon University** Royal Holloway, University of London Royal Veterinary College, University of London

Sheffield Hallam University

Solent University
Staffordshire University St. George's, University of London Swansea University University of Aberdeen University of Bedfordshire University of Central Lancashire

University College London* University For the Creative Arts*

University of the Arts London* University of Bath* University of Birmingham* University of Brighton University of Bristol*

University of Cambridge* 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 Leeds*

University of Lincoln

University of Liverpool University of Manchester*

University of Nottingham*

University of Plymouth
University of Salford
University of Sheffield*
University of Southampton*

University of St. Andrews* University of Stirling

University of Strathclyde University of Surrey University of Sussex

University of Warwick University of Westminster, London University of West London University of York*

Barnard College Bentley University
Boston College

Boston University California College of the Arts Carnegie Mellon University

Arizona State University

Babson College

Case Western Reserve University

■ UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

New York University – Abu Dhabi

College of William and Mary Cornell University

Detroit Institute of Music Education Drexel University **Emerson College**

Emory University Florida Institute of Technology

Fordham University
Georgia Institute of Technology George Washington University

Harvard University Indiana University at Bloomington

Ithaca College Los Angeles College of Music New Jersey Institute of Technology New York University*

Northeastern University* Parsons School of Design

Pennsylvania State University Purdue University

Rhode Island School of Design Ringling College of Art and Design Rochester Institute of Technology

Rollins College* Sarah Lawrence College Savannah College of Art and Design

Stanford University Syracuse University

University of California, Davis University of California, San Diego

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Denver
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of Miami University of Michigan Ann Arbor*

University of North Carolina at Chapel

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

University of Pennsylvania

University of Pittsburgh University of Puget Sound

University of San Diego University of San Francisco

University of Vermont University of Virginia

University of Washington University of Wisconsin-Madison Virginia Tech

Wake Forest University Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Schools bolded indicate matriculation.

* indicates more than one student