

ACADEMIC

BERLIN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

PROFILE

Founded in 1998, the Berlin International School (B.I.S.) is a private, not-for-profit, co-educational school of the Private Kant-Schulen Foundation that offers an international education. The languages of instruction are English and German. The school offers the Cambridge IGCSE programme in Grades 9 & 10, as well as the Berlin state examinations BBR and MSA. The IB Diploma Programme (IBDP) is facilitated in Grades 11 & 12, and a bilingual version of the German Abitur can be selected at Campus Steglitz, B.I.S.'s sister school.

THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

B.I.S. has a current enrollment of 820 students from almost 80 nations. High School enrollment: 247 • Graduating Seniors: 59

BERLIN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

B.I.S. Secondary (Grades 6-12) has 62 faculty members. Approximately one-third are German nationals. The remainder of our staff is comprised of experts from approximately 16 countries.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students can choose from sporting, cultural, service and personal enrichment activities that extend them beyond the classroom and help to broaden their range of interests. Among them are: Student Council, Model United Nations, Speech & Debate, School Newspaper and Magazine (on-line and print), and Documentary Film Club. School athletic teams compete in multiple competitions within the German International School Sports Tournament (GISST), an athletic conference. A range of local and international matches and competitions round out a dynamic sporting programme.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The B.I.S. school year consists of a minimum of 180 school days divided over two semesters that run from the end of August through January, and from February through the beginning of July.

INTERNATIONAL GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION (IGCSE) from the University of Cambridge

The International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) in Grades 9 & 10 prepares students for the IGCSE examinations from the University of Cambridge. The Cambridge International Exams (CIE) are an international qualification that provide admission to higher educational institutions in Europe and many other parts of the world. Student performance on the IGCSE exams is a basis for acceptance and course selection in the IBDP in Grades 11 & 12.

MSA AND BBR

The MSA (Mittlerer Schulabschluss) qualifies Berlin students for vocational training ('Berufsausbildung') and gives students access to the 'gymnasiale Oberstufe' (upper school, Grades 11 - 13). The BBR (Berufsbildungsreife) in Grades 9 or 10 and the eBBR (erweiterte Berufsbildungsreife) in Grade 10 qualify students for vocational training ('Berufsausbildung'). Both exams are externally set by the Berlin government.

ACCREDITATION

Berlin International School is fully accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and is an IB World School.

B.I.S. is also a member of the Association of German International Schools (AGIS).

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IBDP: 1220

UCAS: 45163

University of Cambridge Test Center: DE163

College Board – SAT Test Center: 57617

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CAMPUS DAHEM

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THE IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME AT THE B.I.S.

The heart of the university qualifying program at B.I.S is the IBDP, which takes place during the last two years (Grades 11 & 12) of Secondary. Over 38 IBDP courses are on offer this year. IBDP students take three Higher Level (HL) and three Standard Level (SL) subjects as well as complete the core aspects of the IBDP. These consist of a 4000 word Extended Essay (EE), 150 hours of Creativity/Activity/Service (CAS), and the Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course. The examinations, like IGCSE assessments, are externally set and marked. All students in Grades 11 and 12 are enrolled in the IBDP. In order to be awarded the IB Diploma, a student must earn at least 24 points. A student can also earn a 'Bilingual IB Diploma' by meeting one or both of two criteria: (a) the completion of two A languages selected from group 1; Studies in language and literature with a grade of 3 or higher in both; (b) or completion of one of the subjects from group 3, Individuals and societies or group 4, Experimental sciences in a language that is not the same as the candidate's nominated group 1 A language, with a grade of 3 or higher.

IBDP grades are on a 1 to 7 scale, with four (4) being passing and seven (7) outstanding. The maximum amount of points available is 45. This includes the possibility of three (3) points for the EE and TOK. HL courses are given extra weight for the grade point average. Students obtaining the IB diploma also receive an American High School diploma.

IB EXAM RESULTS

IB Diploma Exam Results	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
# Diploma Candidates	41	46	51	56	45
# Diplomas Received	40	44	51	56	44
Average points obtained by Diploma candidates	32	34	34	34	35
Highest points awarded to a Diploma candidate	41	42	45	44	45
Average grade obtained by a Diploma candidate	5.12	5.40	5.37	5.33	5.45
School pass rate	98%	96%	100%	100%	98%
IB world average pass rate	78%	78,5%	78,5	78,5	79%

AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate from the Berlin International School with an American High School Diploma, accredited by NEASC, a student must complete the following and receive at least 20 points: Five academic subjects, of which one has to be English • Any courses allowed by the timetable can be taken • No restrictions on HL or SL courses. TOK • EE (with slightly modified assessment criteria) • CAS

GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Please see the official school transcripts for an explanation of the computation of the grade point average.

RANKING

Berlin International School does not rank students due to the transient and international nature of its student body.



STUDENT & LEARNING FOCUSED

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UNIVERSITY ADMISSION OFFERS & UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION

Within two years of graduation most students are attending university. It is quite common for students to take a GAP year or complete military or civilian service. Listed below is a sample of recent university offers to B.I.S. students. An asterisk (*) indicates matriculation.

Austria

Modul University
University of Vienna*
Webster University*

Czech Republic

Charles University*

France

Science Po, France*

Germany

EBC Hochschule, Berlin*
European Business School, Frankfurt*
Freie Universität, Berlin* (Charité)
Georg-August Universität, Göttingen*
Hochschule Bremen*
Hochschule Rhein-Waal*
Humboldt Universität, Berlin*
International University of
Applied Sciences, Bad Honnef*
Jacobs University*
Ludwig-Maximilian Universität, Munich*
Macromedia University for Media and
Communication, Munich*
Mediadesign Hochschule Berlin*
Otto von Guericke Universität, Magdeburg*
Osteopathie Schule Deutschland*
SRH Hochschule Berlin*
Technische Universität Berlin*
Technische Universität Dresden*
Touro College, Berlin*
University of Greifswald*
University of Hamburg*
University of Potsdam*
University of Rostock*
WHU Otto Beisheim School of Management*

Latvia

Riga Stradins University, Riga*

Netherlands

Amsterdam University College*
Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences*
Erasmus University*
Erasmus University College*
Maastricht University*
Royal Academy of the Art, the Hague*
Saxion University of Applied Sciences*
Tilburg University*
TU Delft*
University College Utrecht
University College Roosevelt*
University of Amsterdam*

University of Applied Sciences,
Rotterdam*
University of Groningen*
University of Leiden*

Poland

Pomeranian Medical University*

Scandinavia

University of Stockholm*

Spain

IE University, Madrid*

United Kingdom

Brighton & Sussex Medical School
Cardiff University*
City University*
Hult Business School*
Imperial College*
King's College*
London School of
Economics and Political Science*
Loughborough University*
Newcastle University*
Royal Holloway*
University of Aberdeen*
University of Birmingham
University of Bournemouth*
University of Brighton*
University of Bristol
University of Cambridge*
University of Dundee*
University of Edinburgh*
University of Exeter
University of Glasgow*
University of Leeds*
University of Leicester*
University of London, Goldsmiths*
University of London, Queen Mary
University of Loughborough*
University of Manchester*
University of Nottingham*
University of Reading*
University of Roehampton*
University of Stirling*
University of Sussex
University of the Arts,
London* (Central Saint Martins)
University of Warwick*
University of York
North America
Albright College

Bentley University
Boston University
California State University
College of St. Elizabeth*
College of William and Mary
Concordia University
Cornell University
Dartmouth College*
Drake University
Emory University*
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida Southern College
Florida State University*
Fordham University*
Grinnell College, Iowa*
Hofstra University
Illinois Institute of Technology*
Marymount College Manhattan
Miami University, Ohio*
Northeastern University
Pace University
Pacific Lutheran University
Pratt Institute
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Ryerson University (Canada)
San Francisco State University*
Sarah Lawrence College*
Savannah College of Art and Design
Southern California Institute of Architecture*
Syracuse University*
University of British Columbia (Canada)
University of Colorado @ Boulder
University of Massachusetts @ Amherst
University of South Florida*
University of Toronto (Canada)
University of Victoria* (Canada)
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Tech*
Washington & Jefferson College
Washington University in St. Louis
York University (Canada)
Other World Universities
The University of Hong Kong
Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lahore University of Management Sciences*
Medical School of Taiwan
National Taiwan University*
University of Melbourne*
University of New South Wales



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