



# 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

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### 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



GAP YEAR: 3%

OTHER DESTINATIONS: 3%

# IBDP FAST FACTS

MAY 2023 EXAMINATION SERIES

- 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

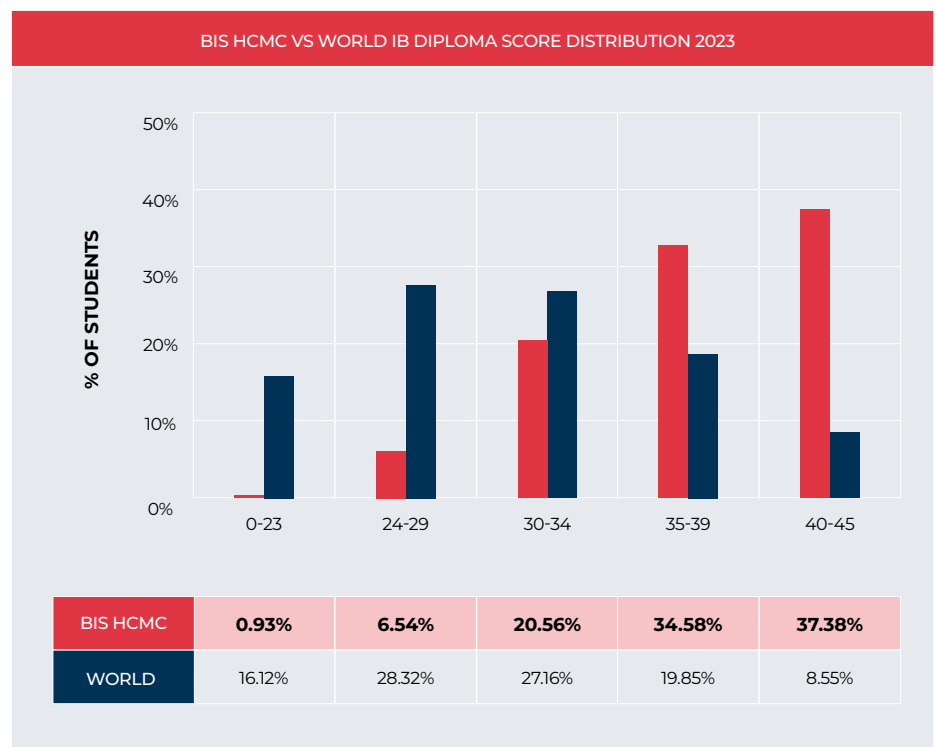
As a school we do not rank our students, calculate GPAs or convert IB points to other scales.

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
<b>May 2023</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>30.2</b>
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 Ab initio	20	5.55	4.93
	Mandarin Ab initio	8	6.13	5.14
Group 3	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
	Biology	16	5.50	4.15
Group 4	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
	Mathematics Analysis & Approaches	48	5.69	4.61
Group 5	Mathematics Applications & Interpretation	11	4.91	3.87
	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  
Glion 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  
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