



The International School of Florence

School Profile 2020-2021

MISSION:

A laboratory for learning where we collaborate to add meaning to a shared future.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

The oldest established American curriculum school in Italy (1952), the International School of Florence (ISF) is an independent, co-educational day school for students from over 30 countries in grades preschool-12. High School Grades 9-12 have an enrollment of 197, comprised of 40% Italian, 20% American and 40% other nationalities of primarily European, Russian and Asian backgrounds, with a fulltime faculty of 35. An IBO World School since 1983, ISF is accredited by the Council of International Schools and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

ISF offers a rigorous academic program culminating with the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program. Students in grades 9 & 10 take a prescribed set of college preparatory courses. The school also offers the Italian Curriculum to students until grade 8. The primary language of instruction is English; however, EAL students are welcome in grades 9 & 10. All students meeting the minimum graduation requirements receive an American high school diploma.

HS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Successful completion of minimum 24 credits, grades 9-12:

4 English	3 Mathematics	8 Electives
3 Science	3 Foreign Language	
3 Social Sciences		

CO-CURRICULAR

Students participate in various activities as well as athletic competitions within the ASIL League. All students must complete CAS in order to graduate.

Soccer	Global Issues
Volleyball	Model United Nations
Basketball	Yearbook
Tennis	Theater
Tuscan Times	Cross Country
Choir	Student Council

GRADING SYSTEM

ISF does not rank students, weight grades nor report cumulative GPA. ISF follows the IB Grading Scheme of 7 – 1 (A – E for Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay). ISF uses a trimester grading schedule.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

The IB offers a rigorous college preparatory course of study in grades 11 and 12, consisting of six academic courses. Students must complete a Theory of Knowledge (ToK) course, a 4000 word Extended Essay (EE) and a balanced two-year engagement in Creativity, Action and Service (CAS) pursuits. The highest possible score for an IB diploma is 45 points. The minimum passing score is 24.

- Each core subject is awarded a mark on a scale of 7 to 1.
- EE and ToK are awarded a maximum of 3 points.

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98%	Passed the IB Diploma
23%	Earned 40 or higher on the IB Diploma
79%	Earned a 34 or higher on the IB Diploma
37	Average score for IB Diploma
44	Highest Score
42	Pursued the full IB Diploma (Class size: 43)

ISF COURSES

Group 1 English/Italian A Literature English/Italian A Language & Literature

Group 2 Italian B, French B, Spanish B, English B, Italian *ab initio*.

Group 3 History, Business and Management, Information Technology in a Global Society

Group 4 Biology, Chemistry, Physics

Group 5 Math analysis and approaches, Math applications and interpretation

Group 6 Visual Arts or a second subject from Groups 2, 3, or 4

Online/Independent Study Economics/Languages

US Equivalent	A	A	B	C	D	F	F
Grade	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Performance	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Mediocre	Poor	Very Poor

Matriculations: Classes of 2014 to 2020

NORTH AMERICA

American University, Washington DC
Azusa Pacific University
Auburn University
Boston University
Brown University
Carnegie Mellon University
Chapman University
Dartmouth College
Florida Gulf Coast State University
McGill University
Marist College
Muhlenberg Coll
New York University
Northeastern University
Parsons School of Design
Pratt Institute of Art and Design
Rochester Institute of Art and Design
Princeton University
Rhode Island School of Art and Design
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
Sarah Lawrence College
Seattle Pacific University
Smith College
Southern Methodist University
Suffolk University
The New School
Trinity University
University of California, Berkeley
University of the Pacific
University of Utah
University of Washington
Wake Forest University
Washington University
Wellesley College

UNITED KINGDOM

Brunel University
City University, London
Goldsmiths, University of London
Imperial College, London
Kings College London, U. of London
Loughborough University
Oxford Brookes University
Queen Mary, University of London
London School of Economics

Regent's University
Richmond American International
Roehampton University
Royal Holloway, University of London
School of Oriental and African Studies
University of the Arts, London
University of Brighton
University of Cambridge
University College London
University of Edinburgh
University of Exeter
University of Kent
University of Newcastle
University of Oxford
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of Warwick

EUROPE

American University of Paris
Universita Bocconi
Istituto Marangoni, Milan
Ecole Hoteliere de Lausanne
Ecole Polytechnique de Paris
Erasmus University College
Erasmus University Rotterdam
ESCP Europe
European School of Economics
Groningen University
John Cabot University
LaSalle, Barcelona
Leiden University
LUISS Guido Carli
Maastricht University
Universite Paris VII
Politecnico di Milano
Politecnico di Torino
Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
Universita di Firenze
University of Amsterdam
University of Tillberg
University College Utrecht
University of Potsdam
University of Veterinary and Pharmaceutical Science Brno
Zuyd University of Applied Sciences

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