

# International School Ho Chi Minh City

## Secondary School Profile | 2020-21



### Our Mission

As an IB World School, ISHCMC constructs a Culture of Achievement in an environment where students are energized, engaged and empowered to become active participants in their communities.

**International School Ho Chi Minh City**  
Secondary Campus

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### Graduation Requirements

Students receive an ISHCMC Diploma equivalent to a North American High School Diploma. (Successful IB Diploma candidates receive an additional Diploma from the IBO.)

Course	Credits
Studies in Language & Literature	4
Language Acquisition	2
Individuals & Societies	3
Sciences	3
Mathematics	4
Fine & Performing Arts	2
Physical Education & Health	2
Design & Technology	2
Electives	1
CAS and Service as Action	1
Theory of Knowledge/Extended Essay/ Personal Project	1*
<b>Minimum total credits required</b>	<b>24</b>

### Memberships

 **Cambridge Assessment**  
International Education  
Cambridge Associat



### Our School

# 1450+

International students



# 55+

Nationalities  
represented



# 45%

Bilingual  
IB DP Awarded



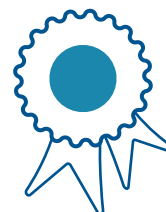
# 71%

Above  
Global Average



# 45<sup>pt</sup>

Highest point  
Achieved



### Accreditation



 **WE ARE AN ACCREDITED SCHOOL**

# 21<sup>st</sup> YEAR

Graduating  
IB Diploma students

# Curriculum

The Secondary School curriculum (Grades 6 to 12) is guided by the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) and Diploma Programme (DP). Grade 11 and 12 students select from one of three pathways to graduation: the full DP, DP Courses, or the ISHCMC High School diploma, with all students participating in and completing the CAS (Creativity, Activity, and Service) program. DP candidates must also complete coursework in Theory of Knowledge and an Extended Essay.

# Grading

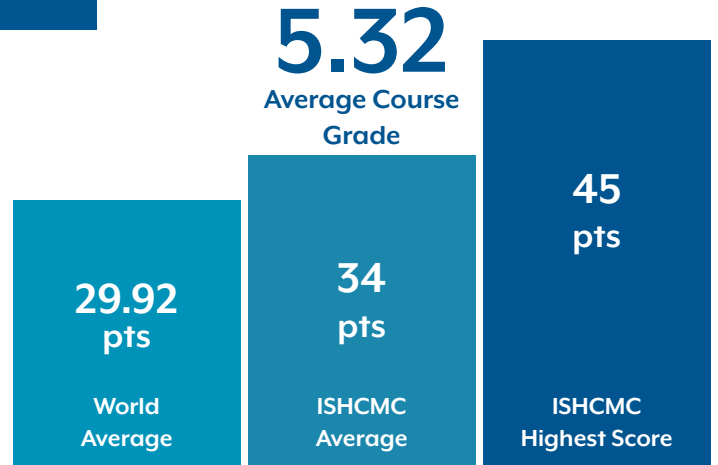
Grading is on the IB 1-7 scale and we do not calculate GPAs for our students. In cases of transfer students, prior courses at other schools are considered in determining passing credits towards graduation. Official records from prior schools will be attached but we do not take responsibility for verifying their accuracy.

Class Rank: ISHCMC does not rank its students.

## IB Diploma Results For May 2020 Examinations



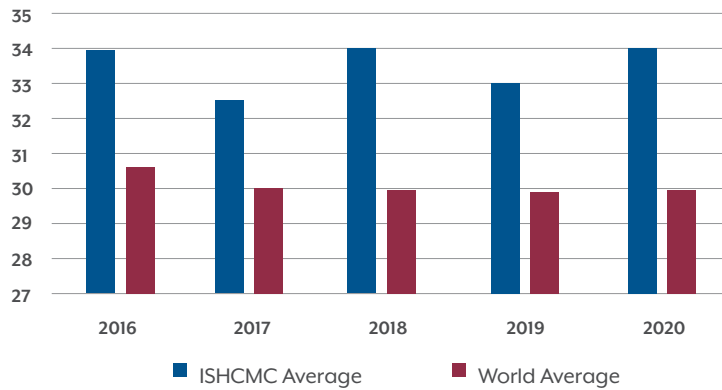
**94%**  
Achieved  
the Diploma



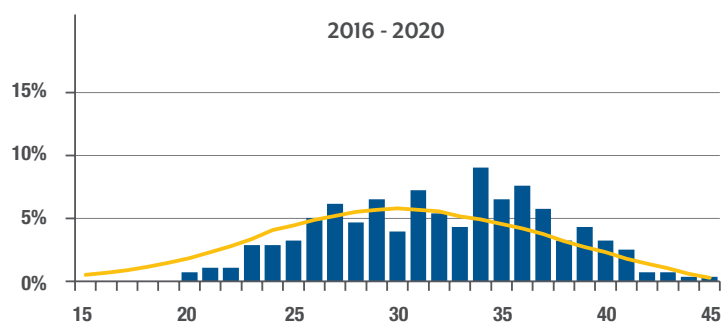
## Diploma Score Distribution

IB Diploma results for ISHCMC students are consistently above world averages for the last five years.

IB Diploma Average 2016 - 2020

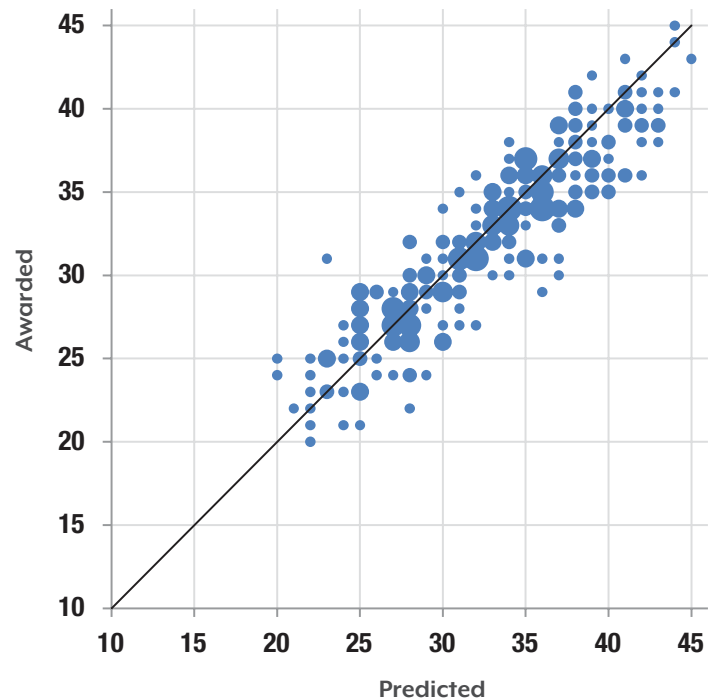


The blue bars represent ISHCMC student results and the yellow line represents world IB Averages.



## Diploma Predicted 2019-2020

Bubbles on the diagonal line indicate candidates who were predicted and awarded the same total points. Bubbles above the diagonal line indicate candidates for whom the awarded total was higher than the predicted total. Bubbles below the diagonal line indicate candidates for whom the awarded total was lower than the predicted total.



Correlation co-efficient: 0.91

# Secondary School Course Offerings 2020 - 2021

<b>Group 1: Language &amp; Literature or Literature</b>	<b>Group 2: Language Acquisition</b>
English A Language & Literature (HL/SL), English A Literature (HL/SL), Korean A Language & Literature (HL/SL), Vietnamese A Literature (HL/SL), School Supported Self-Taught Language (SL)	English B (HL), French B (HL/SL), Mandarin B (HL/SL), Spanish B (HL/SL), Mandarin Ab initio (SL), Spanish Ab initio (SL), Or another subject from Group 1
<b>Group 3: Individuals &amp; Societies</b>	<b>Group 4: Sciences</b>
Business Management (HL/SL), Economics (HL/SL), Geography (HL/SL), History (HL/SL), Psychology (HL/SL)	Biology (HL/SL), Chemistry (HL/SL), Design Technology (HL/SL), Environmental Systems & Societies (SL), Physics (HL/SL), Sports Exercise & Health Science (HL/SL)
<b>Group 5: Mathematics</b>	<b>Group 6: The Arts</b>
Mathematics: applications and interpretations Mathematics: analysis and approaches	Film (HL/SL), Music (HL/SL), Theater (HL/SL), Visual Arts (HL/SL)

## Extra Curricular

The Secondary School at ISHCMC has a rich and varied extra curricular program. Secondary School students are also given the opportunity to represent the school in various athletic and academic events. All extracurricular activities fall under the three strands of CAS (Creativity, Activity, and Service) and the Service as Action learning outcomes and seek to positively unite students, coaches, and teachers from a variety of international backgrounds through shared experiences.

### Service

Animal rescue center	Human Rights action group	Schistosomiasis (sci)
Beadsabled	Kiss (korean international Students' service)	Science magic
Blue dragon children's foundation	ISHCMC crew	Smile bank
Budding genii	Library for love	Students teaching staff
Buffalo, cobra, dragon & Tiger house	Masters of mindfulness	Students teaching students
Defeating silence	Microfinance	Thien Phuc orphanage
Diversity	Nguyen dinh chieu school	Thien Tam charity group
Go green go clean	for the blind	Urgent appeals
Graces cookies	Operation smile	UN sustainable development group
Healing music	Play like a girl	Wildlife at risk
Heartbeat vietnam		Youth for elderly services

### Creativity

Across Asia youth film festival	Japanese for beginners
Anime	Jazz band
Art drawing challenge	Lun (little mun)
Book club reading group	Middle school play
Building leadership in young adults	Model United Nations
Campus tv	Music jam
Chess club	Music tech
Chinese calligraphy	Open art studio
Choir	Open music jam
Competitive maths	Orchestra
Constructive discontent	Photography
Cooking	Public speaking
Creative writing	Radio Rhino
Debate club	Rhino music foundation
Diamond - design with the mind	Rock band
Drama skit	Solving wicked problems with Stem!
Dungeons and dragons	String ensemble
Fill in the blank	Tech support group
Games for the apocalypse	The world around us
Genii tech	Titans of code
High school production	Vex robotics
Improve your vietnamese	Vietnamese cooking
ISHCMC inquirer	Voice maths
ISHCMC podcast	Warhammer tabletop game
ISHCMC poets	Yearbook

### Activities

Badminton	Football is for girls!	Stingrays Swim Team
Ballet Body Shape	Gardening	Strength Training
Basketball	Golf	Table Tennis
Circuit Training	Gym Fitness	Touch Rugby
Cricket	Haidong Gumdo	Track and Field
Dance	Lifeguarding	Ultimate Frisbee
Fitness for sport	Run for a Reason	Volleyball
Football	Social swimming	Yoga

## IB Middle Years Programme

The IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) is the ISHCMC curriculum framework for Grades 6-10. Students follow courses in eight subject areas and learn via interdisciplinary units in each grade. Students also learn via Service as Action as an integral part of the programme. The MYP is recognized by Ofqual (the official regulator of examinations in England) as a high quality programme in education alongside equivalents like the IGCSE.

A significant part of the final two years of the MYP is the Personal Project, a self-directed inquiry conducted over ten months on a topic of their choice. The students' reflective reports that draw on their process journals throughout the Project are externally moderated. From the 82 Grade 10 students in 2019-20, the average score was 4.50 on a 1-7 grade scale, compared to the global average score of 3.86.

## Advisory/House

Every student at ISHCMC is assigned an advisor who assists the student in achieving their personal and academic goals. The advisor acts as both teacher and mentor to the student. Advisory is a place where students become connected – engaged in their school, feel a sense of belonging, develop a nurturing relationship. Advisory sessions cover topics relevant to the students' well-being, providing a culture of care and safety. All students meet in Advisory every morning and afternoon.

## Mindfulness

Each day students and faculty participate in five minutes of Mindfulness. Through Mindfulness, the community focuses on an awareness of the present moment, recognizing our feelings, thoughts and sensations. As a result, we hope to achieve better balance in our lives and greater understanding of our thoughts and feelings and concerns for others.

# Universities Accepting ISHCMC Graduates

2015 – 2020

## ASIA

Ateneo de Manila University  
**Chinese University of Hong Kong\***  
Chulalongkorn University  
Chung-Ang University  
City University of Hong Kong  
Inha University  
Keio University  
LASALLE College of the Arts  
National Chiao Tung University  
National Chung Cheng University  
National Institute of Technology - India  
National Tsing Hua University  
**Nayang Technological University**  
RMIT University Vietnam  
Savannah College of Art and Design - SCAD, Hong Kong  
Sophia University  
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University  
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology  
**The University of Hong Kong**  
Universiti Brunei Darussalam  
University of the Philippines  
Waseda University  
School of International Liberal Studies  
Yale-NUS College

## AUSTRALIA

Australian National University  
Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School  
Bond University  
Curtain University  
Deakin University  
Griffith University  
La Trobe University  
Macquarie University  
**Monash University**  
Murdoch University  
RMIT University  
Swinburne University of Technology  
**The University of Melbourne**  
University of Newcastle  
University of Southern Queensland  
University of Tasmania  
University of Technology Sydney  
University of Wollongong  
UNSW Australia

## CANADA

Capilano University  
Dalhousie University  
Emily Carr University of Art + Design  
MacEwan University  
**McGill University**  
**McMaster University**  
Memorial University  
Mt. Alison University  
Ontario College of Art & Design  
University  
Ryerson University  
Simon Fraser University  
St Mary's University  
Trent University  
University of Alberta  
**University of British Columbia\***  
University of British Columbia, Okanagan  
University of Calgary  
University of Northern British Columbia  
University of Saskatchewan  
**University of Toronto\***  
**University of Waterloo\***  
Western University

Wilfrid Laurier University  
York University

## EUROPE (NON-UK)

BI Norweigan Business School  
Bocconi University  
Cattolica del Sacro Cuore University  
Cesar Ritz Colleges Switzerland  
Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne  
EDHEC Business School  
**Erasmus University Rotterdam**  
ESSEC Business School  
EU Business School Barcelona  
European University of Madrid  
Gilon Institute of Higher Education  
Hanze University  
Hertskool The Hague  
IED Milano

## IE University

IHTTI School of Hotel Management  
Istituto Europeo di Design  
Jacobs University

## Leiden University

Les Roches International School of Hotel Management  
Maastricht University

## NYU, Shanghai

The Hague University of Applied Sciences

## Tilburg University

Universiteit Utrecht

University College Groningen

## University College Roosevelt

University of Amsterdam

## Van Hal Laurenstein University

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Wageningen University & Research

## KOREA

Hanyang University  
Kacheon University  
KAIST - Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology  
Kookmin University  
Korea University  
Kyonggi University  
**Seoul National University**  
Sogang University  
Sookmyung Women's University  
Sungkyunkwan University  
Sungshin Women's University  
The State University of New York, Korea  
**Yonsei University**

## UNITED KINGDOM

Aberystwyth University  
Arts University Bournemouth  
Aston University  
Belfast University  
Birkbeck University  
Bournemouth University  
Brunel University London  
**Cardiff University**  
City, University of London  
Coventry University  
Durham University  
Falmouth University  
Goldsmiths University  
Greenwich School of Management  
Kingston University London  
King's College London  
Lancaster University  
London Metropolitan University  
London Southbank University  
Middlesex University  
Newcastle College

Newcastle University  
Northampton University  
Nottingham Trent University  
Oxford Brookes University  
Pomona College  
Queen Mary University of London

## Queens University Belfast

Regent's University London  
Royal Holloway, University of London  
Sheffield Hallam University

St Mary's University, Twickenham

The University of Edinburgh

The University of Manchester

The University of Warwick

University College Birmingham

University College London

## University of the Arts London

University of Aberdeen

University of Bath

University of Birmingham

University of Bristol

University of Chester

University of East Anglia

University of Essex

University of Exeter

University of Glasgow

University of Greenwich

University of Hertfordshire

University of Huddersfield

University of Kent

University of Leeds

University of Plymouth

University of Portsmouth

University of Reading

University of Roehampton

University of Sheffield

University of Southampton

University of St Andrews

University of Surrey

University of the West of England

University of Westminster

University of York

## UNITED STATES

American University  
**Arizona State University\***  
Baylor University  
Bay Path University  
Bentley University  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bradley University  
**Brown University**  
Butler University  
California College of the Arts  
California Institute of the Arts  
California Lutheran University  
California State University, Sacramento  
Campbell University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Chapman University  
Clarkson University  
Clark University  
Cleveland University of Art  
College for Creative Studies  
College of Charleston  
**College of Marin\***  
Colorado School of Mines  
Concordia University  
Cornell College  
Cornell University  
**Dallas Baptist University**  
DePaul University  
Dickinson College

Drexel University  
Eberly College of Science  
Elon University  
Emory University  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Fordham University  
Franklin & Marshall College  
Georgetown  
George Mason University  
Georgetown University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Gettysburg College  
Gordon College  
Hampshire College  
Hult International Business School  
**Indiana University at Bloomington**

Ithaca College

Kalamazoo College

Kent State University

Kenyon College

Kettering University

Knox College

## Lehigh University

Loyola Marymount University

Loyola University Maryland

Lynchburg College

Maryland Institute of Art

Massachusetts College of Art & Design

## Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences

Merrimack College

Miami University, Oxford

Minnesota Twin Cities University

New York University

Northeastern University

Northern Arizona University

Northwestern University

Notre Dame

Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences

Ohio Wesleyan University

Oregon State University

Pace University

Pace University, New York City

Parsons School of Design

Pennsylvania State University

Pepperdine University

Pratt Institute

Purdue University

Quinnipiac University

Reed College

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rose Hulman Institute of Technology

Saint Mary's College of California

## San Diego State University

San Francisco State University

Santa Clara University

Santa Monica College

Savannah College of Art and Design

## School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Southern Methodist University

St. John's University - Queens Campus

St. Mary's College of Maryland

State University of New York at Plattsburgh

Stony Brook University

Suffolk University

Syracuse University

Texas A&M University

Texas Christian University

Texas Tech University

The College of Wooster  
The George Washington University  
The New School  
The University of Texas, Austin  
The University of Texas, Dallas  
Trinity College  
Trinity University  
Tufts University  
Tulane University  
United States Air Force Academy  
United States Military Academy  
West Point  
University of Arizona

## University of California, Berkeley

University of California, Davis

University of California, Irvine

University of California, Los Angeles

University of California, Riverside

University of California, San Diego

University of California, Santa Barbara

University of California, Santa Cruz

University of Chicago

University of Cincinnati

University of Colorado at Boulder

University of Denver

University of Hartford

University of Houston

University of Illinois, Chicago

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

University of La Verne

## University of Massachusetts, Amherst\*

University of Massachusetts, Boston

University of Miami

University of Michigan

University of New Hampshire

## University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

University of Oregon

University of Pittsburgh

## University of Rhode Island

University of Richmond

University of Rochester

## University of San Diego

University of San Francisco

University of South Carolina

## University of Southern California

University of Texas, Dallas

University of Tulsa

University of Virginia

## University of Washington

University of Wisconsin, Madison

Utica College

Virginia Tech

Washington & Lee University

Washington University in St. Louis

## Western Carolina University

Western Washington University

Wheaton College MA

Wofford College

**Bold** indicates universities attended by 2020 graduates.

\* indicates universities with more than one 2020 graduate attending.

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