



Yokohama International School

High School Profile 2016-2017

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Yokohama International School (YIS) is an independent, co-educational pre-K-12 day school established in 1924. Although we have a non-selective admission policy and do not offer academic scholarships, our high school programs provide academic rigor, balance and challenge. As we celebrate the success of each student independent of the achievements of other students, we do not rank our class or report grade distributions.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to provide the highest-quality, balanced education to internationally minded students in an inquiring and supportive environment. We seek to inspire students and to provide them with the academic and social skills that will enable them to fulfill their potential as responsible global citizens.

OUR VALUES

We are mindful of the needs and rights of others.
We are honest in our dealings.
We are peaceful in our intentions.
We are responsible in our actions.
We are supportive of each other.

YIS BY THE NUMBERS

School Year	22 August, 2016 – 16 June, 2017
Contact Days	180
Academic Programs	PYP, MYP, IBDP
Diplomas Offered	YIS High School Diploma, IBDP, Global Citizen Diploma
Students pursuing full IBDP	91%
Total Enrollment	650
Composition by Nationality	50% foreign national, 28% Japanese bi-national, 22% Japanese national
Student Nationalities	50
High School Enrollment	251
Class of 2017 Enrollment	56
Full-time Faculty	86
Advanced Degree Holders	44
Faculty Nationalities	14



IB World School



Global Citizen Diploma



New England Association of Schools and Colleges



Council of International Schools



East Asia Regional Conference of Overseas Schools



Japan Council of International Schools

YIS HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Students graduate from YIS with a High School Diploma by earning 23 Carnegie credits as follows:

Course	Credits	Course	Credits
English	4	Physical Education	3 (over 4 years)
Mathematics	3	The Arts	2
Modern Languages	3	Theory of Knowledge	1 (over 3 semesters)
Science	3	Design / Technology	1
Social Sciences	3		

In addition, students must complete a Senior Research Paper (Extended Essay) in an area of their interest and demonstrate a sustained commitment to service during grades 11 and 12.

Note: Most YIS graduates earn 25 or more credits by the end of grade 12.

IB DIPLOMA

The IB Diploma Program was introduced at YIS in 1986. IBDP students take six subjects, three at the higher level and three at standard level. One subject must be chosen from the first five groups (see below). The sixth subject can be from group 6 or a second subject from groups 1, 2, 3 or 4. Students must also complete Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay.

COURSE OFFERINGS FOR CLASS OF 2017

Note: All courses are offered at standard and higher levels unless otherwise indicated. Ab Initio languages are standard level.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6
Language A	Second Language	Individuals and Societies	Experimental Sciences	Mathematics	The Arts
English Lit English L&L **German L&L **Japanese L&L	Language B French German Japanese Spanish Ab Initio French SL Japanese SL *Spanish SL *Mandarin SL	*Business Management Economics *Economics Geography History *Information Technology in a Global Society Psychology *Philosophy SL Environmental Systems & Societies SL	Biology Chemistry Physics	Mathematics HL Mathematics SL Math Studies SL	*Film SL Visual Arts

* Online IBDP course

** Students must take English in group 1 to meet YIS graduation requirements. Students who take two group 1 courses will be awarded a bilingual diploma.

IB DIPLOMA TESTING

Over 800 students have taken the IB Diploma since its introduction at YIS, achieving a cumulative pass rate of over 90%.

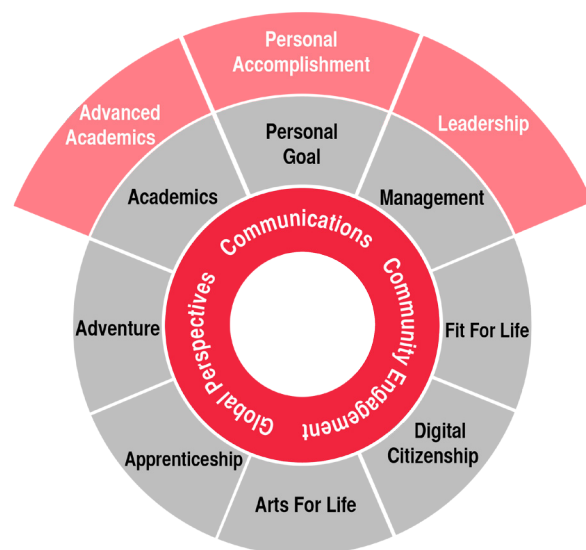
Cohort	Percentage of Class Taking IB Diploma	Pass Rate	Highest Score	Mean IB Diploma Score
Class of 2016	89%	96%	42	34
Class of 2015	97%	87%	42	33
Class of 2014	95%	96%	41	33
Class of 2013	92%	95%	40	34
Class of 2012	98%	91%	40	32

GLOBAL CITIZEN DIPLOMA

The **Global Citizen Diploma (GCD)** is built on the idea that context is essential to understanding achievement, and that our value to each other as members of a global community is as important as the development of our individual intelligence.

The GCD requires students to reflect deeply and describe their learning in **core values of global citizenship**, valuable **competencies**, and the **accomplishment** of their most challenging goals. Learning can happen anywhere. Any experience students provide evidence of having had during high school, that has led to authentic learning, is **verified** and **validated** in the GCD. Students use the lenses of the GCD to reflect and make sense of their education, synthesizing their classroom learning with lived experience, using the GCD to tell their learning story.

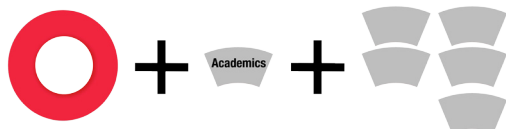
At the end of high school, students curate a **showcase** of no more than five of their most profound reflections to share with potential universities through a link provided by our counselors.



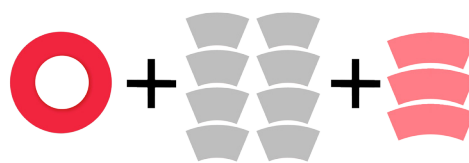
Students can opt into the GCD at three levels: the **Global Citizen Certificate**, indicating engagement with the core values; the **Global Citizen Diploma**, indicating engagement with core values and development of valuable competencies; and the **Global Citizen Diploma with Distinction**, for those who combine global citizenship with outstanding accomplishment. In the four years YIS students have had the option to pursue the GCD, approximately **26% have earned an award** in the program, with **4% earning distinction**.



Global Citizen Certificate



Global Citizen Diploma



Global Citizen Diploma with Distinction

The GCD was founded at Yokohama International School in 2012 and has grown into a consortium of like-minded schools, including the American School of Bombay, Hong Kong International School, NIST International School, and Zurich International School. For details about the GCD, visit globalcitizendiploma.org.

TRANSCRIPT

WEIGHTING, RANKING AND ASSESSMENT

YIS does not weight GPA and does not rank students. All grade 11 and 12 courses are taught as IB Diploma classes. This is also true for students not pursuing the full IB Diploma.

Students are assessed on a 1-7 scale. The highest cumulative GPA in the Class of 2017 at the end of grade 11 was 6.83 out of 7.

EXTERNAL STANDARDIZED TESTING

Students may choose to take the PSAT in grade 10 or 11. Students in grade 11 or 12 may choose to take the SAT Reasoning Test, SAT Subject Tests, and ACT. Please note that for approximately 70% of the students taking external examinations at YIS, English is either a second or third language.

SAT TESTING

(CLASS OF 2016, 57 TESTS)

Section	Middle 50%	Mean
Critical Reading	470 – 640	560
Math	550 – 650	595
Writing	510 – 610	546
Composite	1510 - 1850	1701

ACT TESTING

(CLASS OF 2016, 28 TESTS)

Section	Middle 50%	Mean
English	21 – 29	25.4
Math	20 – 27	24.2
Reading	23 – 30	25.2
Science Reasoning	21 – 26	24.1
Composite	22 - 28	24.9

UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE FOR THE CLASS OF 2016

We are proud of the fit between our students and the following colleges and universities at which they were offered admission. Our students matriculated at universities marked with *. Approximately 18% of our students took a gap year; 4% are doing missions; and 4% have applied to universities in Australia and are awaiting decisions.

Asia and the Middle East

New York University, Abu Dhabi
(United Arab Emirates)
Savannah College of Art and Design,
Hong Kong

Canada

Concordia University
Emily Carr University of Art + Design
McGill University
Ryerson University
Simon Fraser University
University of British Columbia
*University of Toronto
University of Waterloo
York University

Europe

*Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne
ESSEC Business School
Glion Institute of Higher Education
*IE University
Les Roches International School of
Hotel Management
Universitat St. Gallen
*Universite Catholique de Louvain
University of Amsterdam
*University of Vienna

Japan

*International Christian University
*Keio University
Sophia University
*Waseda University

United Kingdom

Arts University Bournemouth
Cardiff University
Central Saint Martins College of Art &
Design
*City University London
*Edinburgh Napier University
*Goldsmiths, University of London
*King's College London
Lancaster University
Leeds College of Art & Design
Loughborough University
Manchester University

Newcastle University
Oxford Brookes University
Plymouth University
Queen Margaret University
Queen Mary University of London
Robert Gordon University
School of Oriental and African Studies,
University of London
*University College London
*University of the Arts London
*University of Bath
*University of Birmingham
University for the Creative Arts at
Rochester
University of Derby
*University of East Anglia
University of East London
University of Edinburgh
*University of Exeter
University of Glasgow
University of Hull
*University of Leeds
*University of Leicester
University of Liverpool
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Portsmouth
*University of Reading
University of Sheffield
University of St Andrews
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of Warwick
*University of the West of England,
Bristol
University of Westminster
*University of York

United States

*Bates College
Berklee College of Music
Brigham Young University
Bucknell University
California Baptist University
California Polytechnic State
University, San Luis Obispo
California State University, Fresno
*California State University,
Northridge

Chapman University
*Columbia College Chicago
*Cornell University
Dixie College
Drew University
Emerson College
Fordham University
Goucher College
Johnson & Wales University
Lewis & Clark College
*Mount Holyoke College
The New School–Parson's School of
Design
*New York University
Northeastern University
*Pace University
*Pratt Institute of Art and Design
Rider University
San Diego State University
Sarah Lawrence College
School of Visual Arts
*Scripps College
Seattle University
Syracuse University
Temple University
*Texas A&M University
Texas Tech University
Tulane University
*University of Arizona
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Houston
University of Miami
*University of Southern California
*University of Tennessee,
Chattanooga
University of Texas, Arlington
University of Utah
Utah State University
*Utah Valley University
Wayne State University
Weber State University
Wesleyan University
Whittier College