

**OUR MISSION** is to be an exemplary learning community—enriched by differences, informed through inquiry, global in reach.

### SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Washington International School is an independent, coeducational day school serving the international and American communities in the nation's capital. Founded in 1966, WIS was one of the first schools in the US authorized to implement the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (DP). The school enrolls 900 students in Preschool through Grade 12. Our students and their parents represent 100+ nations. Approximately 16% of students receive financial aid.

### **CURRICULUM**

All students in Grades 11 and 12 follow the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum, a highly demanding honors program. While nearly all students pursue the full IB Diploma Program, some choose to take a different combination of higher and standard level courses, making them eligible to receive individual Certificates, rather than the Diploma. Each student's schedule comprises one subject from each of six IB Diploma Program classes.

## **TRANSCRIPTS**

The school uses an internal 7-point scale for grading students in 9-12 (see chart below). Not all of the work that students are graded on will be included in the final IB mark; therefore grades on the transcript should not be interpreted as predicted IB grades.

## Studies in Language and Literature

English HL/SL (required)
French HL/SL
Spanish HL/SL
Other languages on
a tutorial basis

Extended Essay

Theory of Knowledge

Creativity, Activity, Service

## Arts

Theatre Arts HL/SL
Film HL/SL
Visual Arts HL/SL
Another language,
Individuals & Societies,

# Individuals

History HL/SL Geography HL/SL Economics HL/SL Philosophy HL/SL\* Psychology HL/SL \*new in 2022-2023

### **Mathematics**

Analyses & Approaches HL/SL Applications & Interpretation HL/SL

## **FACULTY**

Language

Acquisition

Biology HL/SL

Chemistry HL/SL

Computer Science HL/SL

Physics HL/SL Design Technology HL/SL

Environmental

Systems and

Societies

HL/SL



30 countries of origin among faculty/staff

faculty/staff with master's degrees or higher

## **CLASS SIZE**



average
Upper School

## **GRADING AND STANDARDIZED TESTS**

31

## ACT & SAT MEAN SCORES

**ACT** Composite

SAT ERW 690 SAT Mathematics 690 SAT TOTAL 1380

IB EXAM GRADE DISTRIBUTION						
Exam Grade	WIS %	World %				
7	9%	8%				
6	30%	20%				
5	34%	27%				
4	20%	24%				
3 and below	8%	20%				
World IB statistics from IBO publication.						

AP EXAM GRADE DISTRIBUTION						
Subject	5	4	3	2	1	
Chinese	0	2	2	1	0	
French	6	15	3	0	0	
German	4	0	0	0	0	
Italian	3	2	0	0	0	
Spanish	16	6	2	1	0	
TOTALS	29	25	7	2	0	

## **AWARD TOTAL** Not all Classes of 2023/2024 members were eligible due to citizenship restrictions.

4 National Hispanic Recognition Award 5 National Merit Commended

National Merit Scholar

**4** Presidential Scholar Nominee

## **RANKING AND WEIGHTING**

WIS does not rank its students.
Acknowledging the significant demands of the IB curriculum, a weighting scheme is used which recognizes the comparative difficulty of higher level courses. Courses designated as HL have a weight of 1.1. All courses award .5 credits per semester with the following exceptions: Grades 9 and 10 Phys. Ed. and Theory of Knowledge courses are .3 credits per semester; Grade 10 Project is .3 credits in fall semester of Grade 10 year; courses with 11/12 in the title are .2 credits per semester.

SCALE	DESCRIPTOR
7 to 6	Excellent
6- to 5-	Very Good
4+ to 4	Satisfactory
4-	Satisfactory
3+ and be	elow Failing

## **CLASS OF 2024 HIGHLIGHTS**

**63** students in the Class of 2024 • **28** students were at WIS since at least Grade 1 • **98%** of students in the IB Diploma Program • **85%** of WIS candidates earned the IB Diploma while **80%** of the candidates worldwide earned the IB Diploma • **64%** of WIS IB Diplomas were the prestigious Bilingual Diploma in comparison to **27%** of world-wide candidates • **38%** of WIS students' marks were 6's or 7's • **5.31** average IB subject mark at WIS compared to **4.9** worldwide subject mark • **34** average WIS IB Diploma score compared to **30.3** worldwide IB Diploma score • **45** are attending college in the US • **18** are attending universities abroad • **2** are taking a gap year

# OVER THEIR FOUR YEARS IN THE UPPER SCHOOL, STUDENTS WILL HAVE COMPLETED:

English - 4 years

**Math** – 4 years (including algebra, geometry, trigonometry and calculus for all)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Language -** 4 years

Additional Language - optional

Social Sciences - 4-7 years

Lab Sciences - 4-7 years

**Arts Courses –** 2 years required

Grade 10 Project - 1/2 year

Community Service - 80 hours

**Theory of Knowledge -** 1 ½ years

**Physical Education –** 2–4 years

Temple University

## UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS | 2021-2024

## WIS Matriculation by Country

### Canada

McGill University\* (14) University of British Columbia (3) University of Toronto\* (11) University of Waterloo

#### **France**

Institut d'études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po)

## Germany

Jacobs University

### Ireland

Technological University Dublin\*
Trinity College Dublin - The
University of Dublin\*

## Italy

Bocconi University\* (2)

## **Netherlands**

Erasmus University Rotterdam Tilburg University University of Amsterdam\*

## **Spain**

IE University - Madrid
IE University - Segovia (3)
Universitat Ramon Llull - La Salle
University of Navarra\*

## **Switzerland**

Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne Vaud University of St. Gallen

## United Kingdom

Durham University\* (2)
Goldsmiths, University of London
Imperial College London\* (3)
King's College London
London College of Fashion
Newcastle University\*
University College London\* (3)
University of Bristol\*
University of Cambridge
University of Edinburgh (4)
University of Sussex\*

## **United States**

American University Barnard College\* (5) Boston College\* (2) Bowdoin College\* Brown University (3) California Institute of Technology California Institute of the Arts Carleton College Carnegie Mellon University (3) Case Western Reserve University Colby College College of William & Mary\* (3) Colorado College Columbia University\* (5) Cornell University (3) Dickinson College Drexel University\* Emory University George Washington University\* (5) Georgetown University\* (3) Hamilton College

Harvard University\* (3) Haverford College (2) Indiana University Bloomington James Madison University Johns Hopkins University Lake Forest College Lewis & Clark College Macalester College (3) Massachusetts Institute of Technology Morehouse College New York University\* (4) Northeastern University\* (7) Northwestern University\* (2) Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences\* (3) Occidental College\* (2) Pitzer College Pomona College Pratt Institute Princeton University (3) Purdue University\* Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute\* Rhode Island School of Design Rice University Rochester Institute of Technology Savannah College of Art and Sciences Po - Columbia University Dual BA Program\* (4)

Sewanee, University of the South

Spelman College (2)

Swarthmore College

Syracuse University

Stanford University\* (4)

The Ohio State University Tufts University (4) Tulane University\* (3) University of California, Berkeley\* University of California, Davis\* University of California, Los Angeles (4) University of California, Santa Barbara University of Chicago\* (14) University of Colorado Boulder\* (2) University of Maryland, College Park (2) University of Miami (2) University of Michigan\* (12) University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill University of Pennsylvania\* (9) University of Pittsburgh\* University of Rochester\* University of Southern California\* (3) University of Vermont University of Virginia\* (4) University of Virginia - Wise\* University of Washington\* (2) University of Wisconsin, Madison Vanderbilt University (2) Virginia Polytechnic Institute (Virginia Tech) (3) Wake Forest University\* (4) Washington and Lee University\* Wellesley College\* (2) Yale University (3)

(\*) Indicates a university/college attended by at least one member of the Class of 2024.



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