

### 2020-2021 HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE | CEEB CODE: 882570

### **WHO WE ARE**

The International School of Panama (ISP) is a non-profit, student-centered independent school that inspires lifelong learners for a future without borders. We are recognized as a leader in international education, offering world-class opportunities for students from Pre-K (3yr olds) to 12th Grade.

### **OUR MISSION**

We educate and inspire our students to reach their full potential and contribute to the world by providing an exemplary English language education, enriched by our multicultural community.

### **OUR VISION**

ISP is a leading international school inspiring students to be conscientious inquirers and empowering them with the skills, courage, optimism, and integrity to pursue their dreams and make a positive contribution as global citizens.

### CHARACTER PROFILE



We are authentic



We are principled



We are independent



We are compassionate



We are adventurous



We are joyful

### A BRIEF SNAPSHOT OF OUR HIGH SCHOOL

PreK - G12 | Students: 1136 | HS Students: 355

**Nationalities:** US & Canada: 15% | Central America 35% South America 24% | Europe 18% | Asia 1% | Other 7%

### **UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION FOR THE CLASS OF 2020**



### **ADMINISTRATION**

### **Audrey Menard** School Director

### **Eric Monson**

**High School Principal** 

### **David Letiecg**

High School Assistant Principal

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## HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS

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### **ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

Late August to mid-June (average 180 school days)

# IMPORTANT POLICIES RELEVANT TO COLLEGE ADMISSIONS & IMPACT OF COVID

- ISP limits students to 10 college applications
- Disciplinary infractions resulting in out-of-school suspension will be disclosed if requested by a college
- All recommendations are confidential
- No SAT's were offered in 2020 in Panama
- 2<sup>nd</sup> semester SY 2019-2020 was on a A/Pass/Fail scale
- All classes have been virtual since March 2020

### **GRADING SYSTEM, WEIGHT & RANK**

- ISP calculates GPA on a 4.4 scale and issues letter grades ranging from A+ (4.4) to F (0).
- All grades are unweighted.
- Cumulative GPA includes all courses completed at ISP in grades 9-12.
- ISP does not rank, rather we provide a grade distribution of the graduating class.

# CURRICULUM OVERVIEW REQUIREMENTS FOR ISP DIPLOMA

**English** Spanish Math 3 (4 recommended) 3 (4 recommended) Science Social Science 3 (4 recommended) Panamanian Studies classes 1.5 - 2Visual & Performing Arts 1 (2+ recommended) **Physical Education** 1.5 **Electives** 4.5 Total 25\*

\*Most of our students graduate with 28 credits or more

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSE OFFERINGS FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

Students seeking the IB Diploma will also complete the IB Core requirements: Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay and Creativity, Action & Service.

**Group 1:** English Literature HL, English Language and Literature SL, Spanish Language and Literature SL/HL

Group 2: Spanish B SL/HL, Spanish Ab Initio SL

**Group 3:** History HL, Global Politics HL, Business Management SL/HL, Psychology SL/HL, Economics SL/HL, Environmental Systems and Societies SL (interdisciplinary - groups 3 and 4)

**Group 4:** Physics SL/HL, Biology SL/HL, Chemistry SL/HL, Environmental Systems and Societies SL (interdisciplinary groups 3 and 4)

Group 5: Mathematics Applications SL, Mathematics Analysis SL/HL

Group 6: Visual Arts HL/SL; Music HL/SL; Theater HL

IB CLASS	2019	2020
Number of Graduates	86	86
IB Diploma Candidates	58%	57%
IB Course Certificate Candidates	35%	24%
Earned IB Diplomas	86%	100%
ISP Average Score: IB Diploma	33	32
World Average Score: IB Diploma	30	30

# INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP CERTIFICATE PROGRAM (IEC)

For students in grades 11 and 12 the IEC is a two-year certificate program focused on solving real-world problems. Student-centered instruction focuses on teaching design thinking skills and developing an entrepreneurial mindset. IEC students opt to take IB course certificates to supplement their program.

### THE MEDUCA DIPLOMA (PANAMA OFFICIAL DIPLOMA)

Students who elect to take the MEDUCA Diploma must fulfill certain national requirements, including Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Math (4 years), Spanish (4 years), Philosophy, and 80 hours of community service.

# CLASS OF 2021 UNWEIGHTED GPA DISTRIBUTION FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020

4.0+	8%
3.5-3.99	41%
3.00-3.49	28%
2.5-2.99	16%
2.0-2.49	4%
<20	3%

2019	2020
66	n/a
597	n/a
616	n/a
1213	n/a
	66 597 616

### REPRESENTATIVE MATRICULATION CLASSES 2019 & 2020

### **UNITED STATES**

- Babson College
- Baylor U
- Bentley U
- Berklee School of Music
- Boston U
- Brvant U
- College of Charleston
- Columbia U
- Cornell U
- Duke U
- Florida Atlantic University
- Florida International U
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Georgetown U
- Hult International Business School
- James Madison U
- Loyola U Chicago
- Northeastern U
- Northern Kentuky U
- Pennsylvania State U
- Pratt Institute
- Purdue U
- Ringling College of Art & Design
- Salve Regina U
- Savannah College of Art & Design
- Stanford U
- Texas Christian U
- The George Washington U
- U of California, Berkeley
- U of Illinois Urbana
- U of Pennsylvania
- U of San Francisco
- U of Vermont
- Villanova U
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute

### **CANADA**

- Bishop's U
- Carleton U
- Concordia U
- Humber College
- McGill U
- Memorial U of Newfoundland

- Ontario College of Art and Design
- U of Toronto

### **EUROPE**

- Erasmus U, Netherlands
- ESIC, Spain
- EU Business School, Spain
- IE U, Spain
- Instituto Europea Di Design, Spain
- IPAM, Portugal
- Katholieke U Leuven
- Leiden U College of The Hague, Netherlands
- Les Roches, Spain
- Trinity Laban Conservatoire, UK
- U of Edinburgh, Scotland
- U de Navarra, Spain
- U College Maastricht, Netherlands
- U of Amsterdam, Netherlands
- U of New Brunswick, UK
- U of Portsmouth, UK
- U of Surrey, UK
- Universitat Ramon Llull, Spain
- Universiteit Leiden
- Wageningen University, Netherlands

### **LATIN AMERICA**

- FSU, Panama
- Interamerican U of Panama
- Tec de Monterrey, Mexico
- Universidad Javeriana, Colombia
- U Latina de Panama
- U of Louisville, Panama
- U de Los Andes, Colombia

### **ASIA**

- American University of Beirut, Lebanon
- Chuo Ü (Japan)
- University of Wollongong, UAE
- Yokohama National U (Japan)

### **ACCREDITATIONS**











