

Dominican International School

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School Profile 2023 - 24

The **Dominican International School** is a private, English-medium, Roman Catholic school in Taipei City, Taiwan, established in 1957. The Religious Missionaries of St. Dominic own and manage DIS. The school provides education for foreign students, regardless of race, color and creed, from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12, including Advanced Placement. DIS follows a modified American curriculum which includes Religious Studies, to prepare students for higher education abroad (mostly North American universities). The majority of the students is Asian and speaks English as a second language. The school is coeducational. Teachers provide focused attention to students in a student-centered environment. DIS employs teachers from many different regions in Asia, North/South America, Europe, and Africa.

The Curriculum

The **Dominican International School** curriculum is academically challenging. A minimum of thirty-two point five (32.5) course credits are required for high school graduation from DIS. Of these credits, 22 are from major subjects, required of each student. In addition, students must successfully complete a minimum of 10.5 credits chosen from the minor subject offerings. The minimum 32.5 credits must be achieved by completing the following:

Religious Studies	4 Years
<i>Philosophy of Man</i>	
<i>Sacred Scriptures</i>	
<i>World Religions</i>	
<i>Morality</i>	
English Language Arts	4 Years
<i>Senior Project for grade 12 students.....</i>	<i>1 Year</i>
Mathematics	4 Years
<i>Geometry</i>	
<i>Algebra II</i>	
<i>Pre-Calculus</i>	
<i>Calculus</i>	
History	3 Years
<i>Ancient History</i>	
<i>Modern History</i>	
<i>American History</i>	
Science	3 Years
<i>Biology</i>	
<i>Chemistry</i>	
<i>Physics</i>	
Foreign Languages	3 Years
<i>Chinese</i>	
<i>Japanese</i>	
<i>Spanish</i>	

Major Subjects

<u>Grade 9 and 10</u>	
Computer Science.....	2 Years
Physical and Health Education	2 Years
Music Appreciation/Studio Art.....	2 Years

<u>Grade 11 and 12</u>	
Computer Science	2 Years
Physical and Health Education	2 Years
Economics	1 Year
Research Methods.....	1 Year
Global Issues	1 Year
Environmental Science.....	1 Year
Junior Reserves Officers' Training Course.	1 Year
Studio Art	1 Year
Advanced Composition. ...	1 Year
Psychology	1 Year
Entrepreneurship.....	1 Year
Family and Consumer Sciences	1 Year
Community Service Project	1 Year

Minor Subjects

Five-Year University Admission Summary

<u>NORTH AMERICA</u>		<u>EUROPE</u>		<u>AUSTRALIA</u>		<u>KOREA</u>		<u>JAPAN</u>	
Stanford University	U.C. Berkeley	Oxford University		University of Melbourne		Seoul National		Tokyo University	
Rice	NYU	Kings College		University of Queensland		University		Keio University	
U.C. Los Angeles	Barnard College	University of Manchester		Monash University		Korea University		Sophia University	
McGill University	Georgia Tech	University of Liverpool		University of Western Australia		Yonsei University		Waseda University	
University of British Columbia	Northwestern University	University College London		University of Sydney				Ritsumeikan Asia	
	University of Toronto	University of Warwick						Pacific	
		University of Edinburgh							

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Calculation of Grade Point Average

D.I.S. calculates the academic grade point average on a weighted 4.0 scale, including all subjects from grades 9 through 12. We use the following scale:

Letter Grade	Numeric Grade	Regular Course Grade Point	A.P. Course Grade Point
A	95-100	4.0	5.0
A-	90-94	3.7	4.7
B+	87-89	3.3	4.3
B	84-86	3.0	4.0
B-	80-83	2.7	3.7
C+	77-79	2.3	3.3
C	74-76	2.0	3.0
C-	70-73	1.7	2.7
D+	67-69	1.3	2.3
D	64-66	1.0	2.0
D-	60-63	0.7	1.7
F	00-59	0.0	0.0

Ranking

D.I.S. ranks high school students based on the weighted average by grade level.

Academic Honors

D.I.S. ranks the top 3 students per class based on the general average.

The Faculty

The teacher: student ratio at D.I.S. is 1:16. Our faculty consists of 70 teachers, 3 administrators, 3 counselors, 3 librarians, and 20 staff members.

School Calendar Days

1st	Quarter	Aug 10 - Oct 6	41	days
2nd	Quarter	Oct 11 - Dec 15	49	days
3rd	Quarter	Jan 3 - Mar 11	42	days
4th	Quarter	Mar 12 - May 30	48	days
TOTAL			180	days

Student Services

The **Campus Ministry** cares about the holistic development of students, with spiritual growth as their primary objective.

Therefore, students must show respect and cooperate with the faculty to reach their goals. The Campus Ministry's mission is to look after this critical aspect of student life.

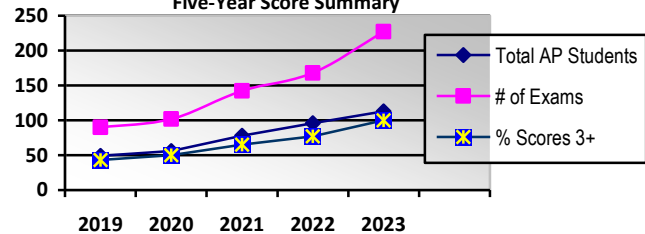
The **Counseling and Guidance Program** is a part of the total school program and complements learning in the classroom. It offers comprehensive, preventive, and developmental services addressing students' personal, social, academic, career, and global competencies necessary for their growth toward lifelong learning and success.

The **D.I.S. Library** provides students with the newest titles, a wide variety of reading materials, and access to online databases for academic research.

Advanced Placement

The A.P. Program started in 2004, only offering A.P. Calculus AB and A.P. U.S. History. D.I.S. currently offers 18 A.P. Courses, with A.P. Capstone Research being the most recent addition.

Five-Year Score Summary



	AP Scholar	AP Scholar with Honor	AP Scholar with Distinction	AP International Diploma	AP Capstone Diploma	AP Seminar and Research Certificate
Number of Scholars	14	11	18	2	3	1
Average Score	3.48	3.94	4.38	4.36	4.19	4.5

English for Academic Purposes

D.I.S. offers an E.A.P. program for grades 9 and 10. This program supports students who enter D.I.S. with a need for English proficiency development. The E.A.P. course is student-centered and activity-oriented, offering students ample opportunities for listening, speaking, reading, and writing, with a sharper focus on enhancing academic language skills. Skills development is aimed at upgrading the student's English proficiency.

Extra-Curricular Activities

D.I.S. makes extra-curricular activities available as an extension of the regular school program. D.I.S. Athletics offers ten sports in which students can participate and compete on an international school level. There are 31 clubs for student participation. The MUN, GIN, and World Scholar's Cup organizations are very popular, and students perform well at international competitions and conferences yearly. Athletics also offers after-school training for soccer for L.S., aside from M.S. and H.S.'s regular soccer training. Every Friday, MS/ HS students and teachers/coaches have friendly games in various sports; this serves as a training and, at the same time, builds friendship and interpersonal relations among students and teachers. TEDxDominicanintlschool holds annual conferences. The Student Council bridges the student body, school administration, faculty, and staff.

Service Learning Program

The Service Learning Program (S.L.P.) aims to contribute to the Dominican International School's mission of broadening and enriching the High School experience by enabling students to participate actively in the community. High school students aim to complete more than 100 service hours in their four years at D.I.S.



Accrediting Commission for Schools - Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) accredited D.I.S. for six years until May 2029.

Recognized by the Ministry of Education in Taiwan and

an Active Associate Member of the East Asia Regional Council of Overseas Schools (EARCOS)

