## **Dominican International School**

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#### School Profile 2024 - 25

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 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 Philosophy of Man Sacred Scriptures World Religions Morality	
English Language Arts	1 Voor
Mathematics Geometry Algebra II Pre-Calculus Calculus	S
History3 Ancient History Modern History American History	<u>)</u> je
Science Biology Chemistry Physics	3 Years C
Foreign Languages	3 Years

#### Grade 9 and 10 Physical and Health Education ............................... 2 Years Minor Subjects Grade 11 and 12 Computer Science ...... 2 Years Physical and Health Education ...... 2 Years Environmental Science...... 1 Year Junior Reserves Officers' Training Course. ..... 1 Year Studio Art ...... 1 Year Psychology ...... 1 Year Family and Consumer Sciences ...... 1 Year Community Service Project ...... 1 Year

### Five-Year University Admission Summary EUROPE AUSTRALIA

# NORTH AMERICA Stanford University U.C. Berkeley Rice NYU Barnard College U.C. Los Angeles Georgia Tech

Japanese Spanish

Minerva Northwestern University
McGill University University of Toronto
University of British Columbia

Oxford University
Kings College
University of Manchester
University of Liverpool
University College London
University of Warwick
University of Edinburgh

AUSTRALIA
University of Melbourne
University of Queensland
Monash University
University of Western Australia
University of Sydney

KOREA
Seoul National
University
Korea University
Yonsei University

JAPAN
Tokyo University
Keio University
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#### Calculation of Grade Point Average

D.I.S. calculates the academic grade point average on the weighted 4.0 scale below, including all subjects from grades 9 through 12.

Letter	Numeric	Regular Course	A.P. Course
Grade	Grade	Grade Point	Grade Point
Α	95-100	4.0	5.0
A-	90-94	3.7	4.7
B+	87-89	3.3	4.3
В	84-86	3.0	4.0
B-	80-83	2.7	3.7
C+	77-79	2.3	3.3
С	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

**Academic** Honors: D.I.S. ranks the top 3 students per class based on the general average.

by grade level.

#### The Faculty

The teacher-to-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 Davs

	1st	Quarter	Aug	12 - Oct 11	43	days
	2nd	Quarter	Oct	14 - Dec 13	46	days
ſ	3rd	Quarter	Jan 6 - Mar 17		44	days
	4th	Quarter	Mar 18 - May 29		47	days
				TOTAL	180	days

#### **Student Services**

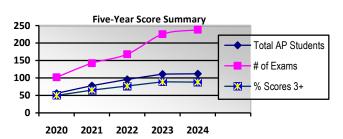
The **Campus Ministry** cares about students' holistic development, with spiritual growth as its primary objective. Therefore, students must show respect and cooperate with the faculty to reach their goals. The Campus Ministry's mission is to look after this critical aspect of student life.

The Counseling and Guidance Program is 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, offering only A.P. Calculus AB and A.P. U.S. History. D.I.S. currently offers 18 A.P. Courses.



	AP Scholar	AP Scholar with Honor	AP Scholar with Distinction	AP International Diploma	AP Capstone Diploma	AP Seminar and Research Certificate
Number of Scholars	17	11	21	1	4	3
Average Score	3.33	3.63	4.25	4.13	4.03	3.36

#### **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 activityoriented, 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. offers extracurricular activities 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 soccer training for L.S., aside from M.S. and H.S.'s regular soccer training. MS/ HS students and teachers/coaches have friendly games in various sports; this serves as training and, at the same time, builds friendship and interpersonal relations among students and teachers. TEDxDominicanintlschool holds annual conferences. The Student Council and Dominican Youth Movement (DYM) 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.







American Counseling Association









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)