



Yongsan International School of Seoul

2020-2021 HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE



MISSION STATEMENT

Yongsan International School of Seoul is a community of students, parents, and Christian educators working together to instill in each student a passion for truth, a commitment to excellence, and an appreciation for diversity.

VISION STATEMENT

YISS graduates are truth-seeking leaders who are creative, collaborative, compassionate, and committed to impacting the world with servants' hearts.

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SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Founded in 1990

Private, coeducational day school

Non-selective enrollment

Offers an American college-preparatory curriculum to the international community in Seoul

Average class size: 14



70

CLASS OF 2021



283

HS TOTAL ENROLLMENT



9:1

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO



33

COUNTRIES REPRESENTED



60%

USA PASSPORT HOLDERS

COLLEGE APPLICATION POLICIES

College applications are limited to 12 world-wide

All recommendations are confidential

YISS will disclose any disciplinary issues resulting in out-of-school suspensions when asked in the application process

YISS will honor the Early Decisions agreement and enforce it world-wide

GRADUATION

**JUNE 4
2021**

1ST SEMESTER

**AUG 10
-
DEC 18**

2ND SEMESTER

**JAN 11
-
JUNE 4**

SCHOOL DAY

**FOUR
85-MIN
BLOCKS ON
A 2-DAY
ROTATION**

CLASS OF 2020

100%

ADMITTED TO A 4-YEAR UNIVERSITY

2

STUDENTS TAKING A GAP YEAR

84%

ATTENDING UNIVERSITY IN THE USA

CREDITS AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

SUBJECT AREA	REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION	REQUIRED FOR GRAD WITH HONORS*
English	4 credits	4 credits
Mathematics	2 credits	4 credits
Science	2 credits**	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits***	3 credits
Foreign Language	1 credit	1 credits
Physical Education	1 credit	1-3 credits
Fine Arts	2 credits	1-3 credits
Computer	1 credit	1 credit
Theology, Ethics & Values	4 credits	4 credits
Electives (non-compulsory credits)	4 credits	4 credits

* To achieve the Honors Diploma, overall GPA must be at least 3.7 with a minimum of two AP® courses, with a total of four credits between Fine Arts and Physical Education.

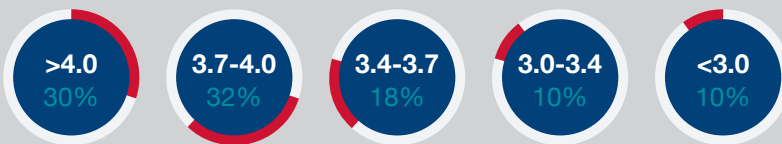
** Credits must be from Biology, Chemistry, or Physics.

*** U.S. citizens planning to attend U.S. institutions are required to take U.S. History

GRADE POINT AVERAGE

The grade point average (on a weighted 4.0 scale) includes all courses taken at YISS only. AP® courses will be granted one additional point per course in the computation of GPA. Students may begin taking AP® courses in 10th grade and are limited to two AP® classes per year. Exceptions for a third AP® are made upon approval for 11th and 12th graders. YISS does NOT rank its students.

CLASS OF 2021 DISTRIBUTION OF SIX SEMESTER CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGES



GRADING SYSTEM

LETTER GRADE	GRADE PERCENTAGE	GRADE POINT AVERAGE	AP® COURSES
A+	99-100	4.00	5.00
A	96-98	4.00	5.00
A-	94-95	3.67	4.67
B+	92-93	3.33	4.33
B	86-91	3.00	4.00
B-	84-85	2.67	3.67
C+	82-83	2.33	3.33
C	76-81	2.00	3.00
C-	74-75	1.67	2.67
D+	72-73	1.33	1.33
D	68-71	1.00	1.00
D-	66-67	0.67	0.67
F	65 and below	0.00	0.00

2020-2021 PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Courses shown are in general progression of years. | *Courses that require teacher approval

English

Literature for Life
 English Language Learning (Beginning/Intermediate)
 World Literature
 American Literature
 British Literature
 AP Language and Composition*
 AP Literature and Composition*
 AP Seminar*
 AP Research* (elective)

Theology, Ethics, Values

Life Skills & Intro to World View
 Introduction to Logic
 Old Testament Survey
 Philosophy of Science
 Survey of World Religions
 New Testament Studies
 Intro to Philosophy I ~ III
 Christian Theology I ~ II
 History of Thought
 Modern Philosophy
 Senior Seminar

Technology

Computer Applications: Video & Design
 Digital Media Marketing*
 Visual Design 2D/3D*
 AP Computer Science Principles*
 AP Computer Science A*

Physical Education

Health and Physical Education
 Conditioning and Weight Training

Social Studies

World History I: Beginning-1450
 World History II: 1450-Present
 United States History: 1877-Present
 Comparative Government/Economics
 AP U.S. History*
 AP US Government*
 AP Comparative Government*
 AP European History*
 AP World History*
 AP Psychology*

Mathematics

Algebra I ~ II
 Geometry
 Pre-Calculus w/ Trigonometry
 Calculus I
 AP Calculus AB*
 AP Calculus BC*
 AP Computer Science A*
 AP Computer Science Principles*
 AP Statistics*

Science

Biology
 Biology, Ecology, and the Environment
 Chemistry
 Chemistry in the Community
 Physics
 Human Anatomy and Physiology
 AP Biology*
 AP Chemistry*
 AP Physics 1*
 AP Physics C: Mechanics*

Foreign Language

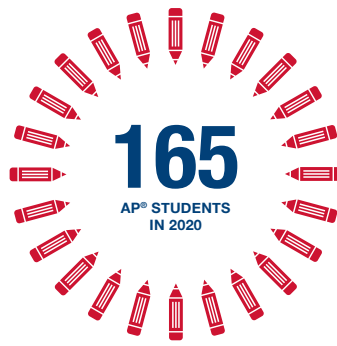
Spanish I, II*, III*, IV*
 Korean I, II*, III*, IV*
 Korean Literature*
 Mandarin I, II*, III*, IV*
 Japanese I, II*, III*
 AP Japanese Language & Culture*
 AP Spanish Language & Culture*
 AP Chinese Language & Culture*

Fine Arts

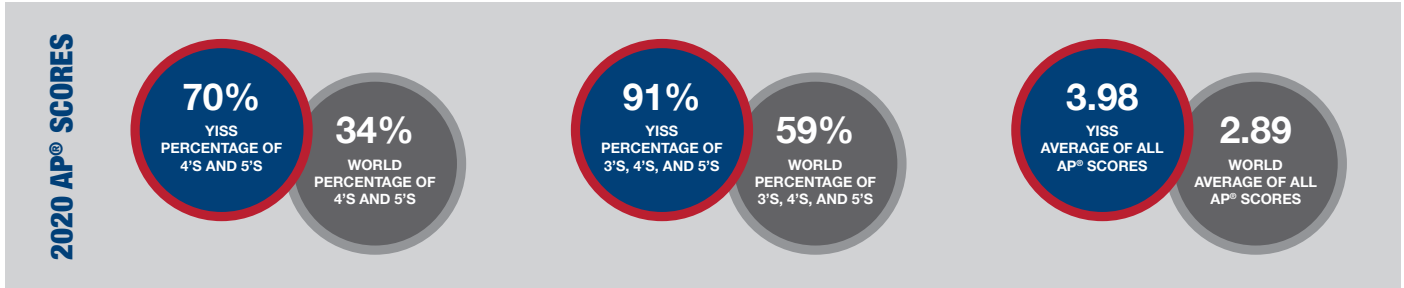
Foundations of Art & Design
 Drawing & Painting I*
 Drawing & Painting II*
 Visual Design 2D/3D*
 AP Drawing*
 AP 2-D Art and Design*
 AP 3-D Art and Design*
 Yearbook
 Film Studies
 Drama
 Concert Band
 Jazz Band
 Strings
 Yongsan Singers
 Yongsan Chamber Choir*
 Digital Media Marketing*
 Speech and Debate
 Journalism
 AP Art History*
 AP Music Theory*

Non-Credit Courses

Math Lab
 Academic Study Skills
 Teacher's Assistant (TA)



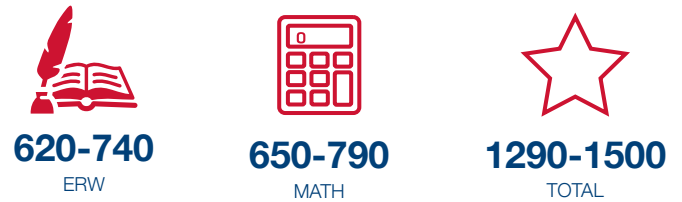
Testing restrictions on international students & US citizens abroad: In recent years, and particularly in 2020, our students have had less access to SAT/SAT® Subject and ACT tests because of fewer test dates abroad, fewer sites offering the test, and cancellations.



AVERAGE SAT® SCORES

	ERW	MATH	TOTAL
Class of 2018	643	688	1331
Class of 2019	664	711	1375
Class of 2020	673	716	1389
World Avg 2020	528	523	1051

74 from the Class of 2020 took the SAT® with the following results (Middle 50%)



SAT® SUBJECT TEST SCORES

SUBJECT	MIDDLE 50%	AVERAGE
Mathematics Level 2	780-800	792
United States History	710-795	760
World History	705-785	745
Chemistry	725-800	767
Biology E	730-730	730
Biology M	750-785	770
Physics	785-800	792
Literature	760-790	775

ACT SCORE SUMMARY

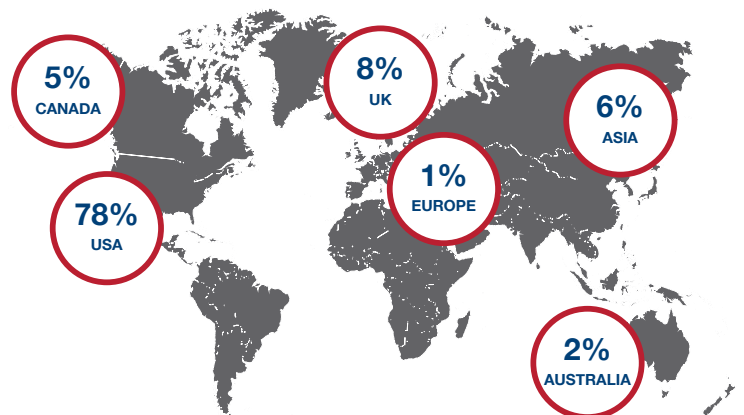
SECTION	MIDDLE 50%	MEAN
Reading	26-34	30
Science	29-33	31
English	30-34	32
Math	28-32	30
Writing	7-8	8
Composite	29-33	31

COVID-19 IMPACT ON EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

All YISS extracurricular activities (sports, clubs, service trips) were canceled from February to June of the 2019-2020 school year.

For the 2020-2021 school year, there has been a soft start to extracurricular activities. Clubs have virtually started and the sports seasons have been modified, competing only against some schools within Korea. International service trips and athletic competitions have been suspended until further notice.

WHERE YISS GRADUATES HAVE ATTENDED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS



UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE ADMISSIONS (2016-2020)

(Those in the Class of 2020 have matriculated to the following schools in **bold**.)

USA

Abilene Christian University
Academy of Art University
Adelphi University
American University
Arizona State University
Art Center College of Design
Austin College
Bard College
Barnard College
Baylor University
Benedictine University
Berklee College of Music
Binghamton University
Biola University
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Bradley University
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
California College of the Arts
California Institute of the Arts
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
California State Polytechnic University
California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Long Beach
California State University, Northridge
Calvin College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Centenary University
Central Michigan University
Chapman University
City College of New York CUNY
Claremont McKenna College
Colgate University
College of New Jersey
College of William & Mary
Colorado Christian University
Columbia University
Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science & Art
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
DigiPen Institute of Technology
Drexel University
Duke University
Duquesne University
Emerson College
Emory University
Ensign College
Evergreen State College
Fashion Institute of Technology
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
Frostburg State University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia State University
Gordon College
Grinnell College
Harvard University
Harvey Mudd College
Haverford College
Hofstra University
Hope College
Illinois Institute of Technology
Illinois Wesleyan University
Indiana University at Bloomington
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Kenyon College
Kettering University
Knox College
Laguna College of Art and Design
Liberty University
Long Island University
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Lynn University
Manhattan College
Marquette University
Maryland Institute College of Art
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
McDaniel College
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences
Michigan State University
Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College
Missouri University of Science and Technology
Mount Holyoke College
New England Conservatory of Music
New York University
North Carolina State University
North Central College
North Park University
Northeastern University

Northwestern University
Occidental College
Ohio State University
Olin College of Engineering
Otis College of Art and Design
Oxford College of Emory University
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University
Pepperdine University
Pitzer College
Pomona College
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Purdue University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rice University
Rider University
Ringling College of Art and Design
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rollins College
Rutgers University
Saint Louis University
San Diego State University
San Francisco State University
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
School of the Museum of Fine Arts
School of Visual Arts
Scripps College
Seton Hall University
Simmons University
Smith College
Spring Arbor University
St. John's University
Stanford University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stony Brook University
Suffolk University
Syracuse University
Temple University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University
The Juilliard School
The New School
Trinity Western University
Truman State University
Tufts University
Tulane University
United States Naval Academy
United States Coast Guard Academy
United States Military Academy West Point
University at Buffalo SUNY
University of Arizona
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Merced
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Chicago
University of Colorado
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Hawaii, Manoa
University of Houston
University of Illinois, Chicago
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota
University of Missouri
University of North Carolina
University of North Carolina School of the Arts
University of North Texas
University of Notre Dame
University of Oregon
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Redlands
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of South Florida
University of Southern California
University of the Pacific
University of Tampa
University of Texas
University of Virginia
University of Washington

University of Wisconsin
Vanderbilt University
Vanguard University of Southern California
Villanova University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Washington State University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wayne State University
Waynesburg University
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
Western University
Wheaton College
Whittier College
Woodbury University
Yale University

CANADA

Dalhousie University
McGill University
Ontario Tech University
Queen's University
Ryerson University
Simon Fraser University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia
University of British Columbia - Okanagan Campus
University of Calgary
University of Toronto
University of Waterloo
University of Windsor
Vancouver Institute of Media Arts
York University

UK AND EUROPE

American University of Paris
Cardiff University
City University of London
Falmouth University
Franklin University Switzerland
Hult International Business School, London
IE University
Imperial College London
Keele University
King's College London
Kingston University London
Leeds College of Art & Design
London Metropolitan University
Newcastle University
Norwich School of Art and Design
Nottingham Trent University
Oxford Brookes University
Regent's University London
Royal Holloway, University of London
Southampton Solent University
Swiss School of Tourism and Hospitality
University College London
University for the Creative Arts at Farnham
University of Brighton
University of East London
University of Essex
University of Hertfordshire
University of Kent
University of Leeds
University of Nottingham
University of Plymouth
University of Reading
University of Southampton
University of St. Andrews
University of Surrey
University of Warwick
University of York

ASIA

Chinese University of Hong Kong
City University of Hong Kong
Duke Kunshan University
Ewha Womans University
Heriot-Watt University Dubai
Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology (KAIST)
Kasetsart University
Keio University
King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang
Les Roches Jin Jiang International Hotel Management College
Nanyang Technological University
National University of Singapore
New York University, Abu Dhabi
Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University
SP Jain School of Global Management, Singapore
Sungkyunkwan University
State University of New York, Korea
Temple University, Japan
University of Hong Kong
Waseda University
Yale University - NUS College
Yonsei University - Underwood International College

AUSTRALIA

Australian National University
University of Queensland
University of Sydney