



**Yongsan International School of Seoul**

# 2021-2022 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: 13.3



**72**

CLASS OF 2022



**284**

HS TOTAL ENROLLMENT



**9:1**

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO



**23**

COUNTRIES REPRESENTED



**63%**

USA PASSPORT HOLDERS

## COLLEGE APPLICATION POLICIES

College applications are limited to 12 worldwide

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 Decision agreement and enforce it worldwide.

### GRADUATION

**MAY 27  
2022**

### 1ST SEMESTER

**AUG 5  
-  
DEC 17**

### 2ND SEMESTER

**JAN 10  
-  
JUNE 3**

### SCHOOL DAY

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

**CLASS OF 2021**

**100%**

ADMITTED TO A 4-YEAR UNIVERSITY

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STUDENTS TAKING A GAP YEAR

**69%**

ATTENDING UNIVERSITY IN THE USA

# CREDITS AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

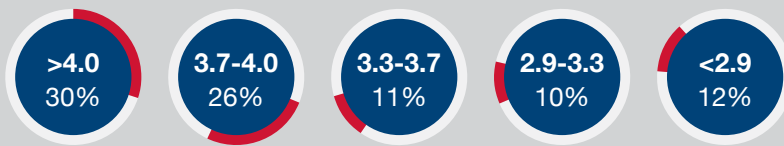
| SUBJECT AREA                       | REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION | REQUIRED FOR GRAD WITH HONORS* |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| English                            | 4 credits               | 4 credits                      |
| Mathematics                        | 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 2022 DISTRIBUTION OF SIX SEMESTER CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGES



\*10% of the Class of 2022 are transfer seniors without a current YISS GPA.

## 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        |

## 2021-2022 PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Courses shown are in general progression of years. | \*Receives AP weighting for GPA

### English

- Literature for Life
- English Language Learning
- World Literature
- American Literature
- British Literature
- AP Seminar
- AP Language and Composition
- AP Literature and Composition
- AP Research

### Theology, Ethics, Values

- Life Skills & Intro to World View
- Introduction to Logic
- Old Testament Survey
- 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 - Video
- Digital Media Marketing - Web and Design
- 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 World History
- AP Psychology
- AP U.S. History
- AP US Government
- AP Comparative Government
- AP European History

### Mathematics

- Algebra I
- Algebra II
- Geometry
- Pre-Calculus w/ Trigonometry
- Calculus I
- AP Statistics
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- Advanced Math: Linear Algebra\*
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Computer Science Principles

### 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

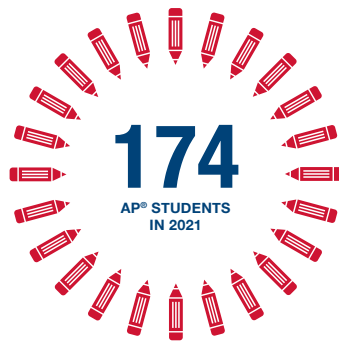
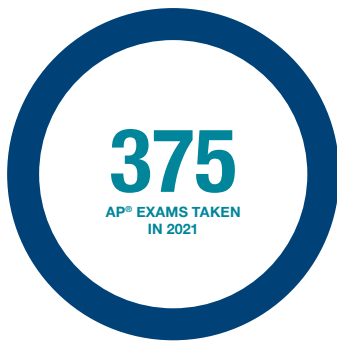
- Japanese I, II, III, IV
- Korean I, II, III, IV
- Korean Literature
- Spanish I, II, III, IV
- Mandarin I, II, III, IV
- AP Spanish Language & Culture
- AP Chinese Language & Culture
- AP Japanese Language & Culture

### Fine Arts

- Foundations of Art & Design
- Photography
- Drawing & Painting I
- Drawing & Painting II
- Studio Art
- 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 - Video
- Digital Media Marketing - Web and Design
- Speech and Debate
- Journalism
- AP Art History
- AP Music Theory

### Non-Credit Courses

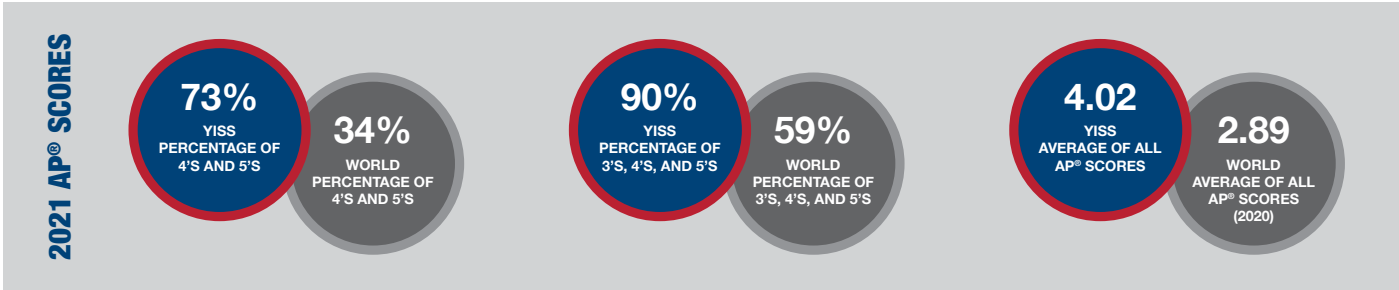
- Math Lab
- Academic Study Skills
- Teacher's Assistant (TA)



### COVID-19 IMPACT ON EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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

In 2020-2021, clubs were mostly virtual and the sports seasons were shortened and modified, competing only against some schools within Korea. The 2021-2022 school year should be similar.



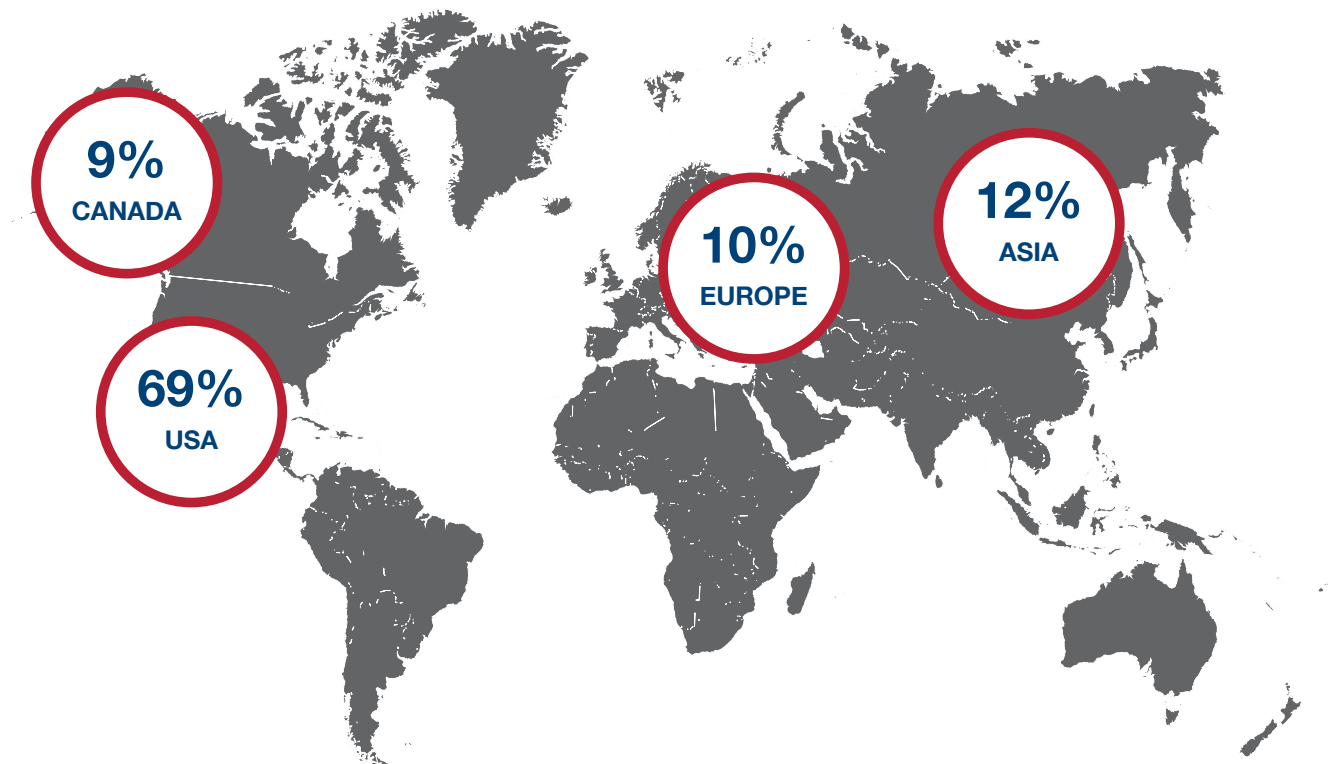
### ACT SCORE SUMMARY

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

### AVERAGE SAT® SCORES

|                | ERW | MATH | TOTAL |
|----------------|-----|------|-------|
| Class of 2019  | 664 | 711  | 1375  |
| Class of 2020  | 673 | 716  | 1389  |
| Class of 2021  | 690 | 717  | 1407  |
| World Avg 2020 | 528 | 523  | 1051  |

### WHERE THE 2021 YISS GRADUATES ARE ATTENDING COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY



# UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE ADMISSIONS (2019-2021)

(Those in the Class of 2021 have matriculated to the following schools in **bold**.)

## USA

Abilene Christian University  
Albion College  
American University  
Arizona State University  
Art Center College of Design  
Austin College  
Baylor University  
Binghamton University  
Biola University  
Boston College  
**Boston University**  
Bowdoin College  
**Brandeis University**  
Brown University  
Bucknell University  
California College of the Arts  
California Institute of the Arts  
California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo  
California State Polytechnic University-Pomona  
California State University-Long Beach  
Calvin University  
Carleton College  
Carleton University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Chapman University  
Claremont McKenna College  
Clark University  
College of William and Mary  
Colorado Christian University  
**Columbia University in the City of New York**  
**Cooper Union For the Advancement of Science and Art**  
**Cornell University**  
Dartmouth College  
Drexel University  
**Duke University**  
Duquesne University  
Emerson College  
**Emory University**  
Emory University-Oxford College  
Fashion Institute of Technology  
**Florida State University**  
Fordham University  
Franklin W Olin College of Engineering  
**Full Sail University**  
George Mason University  
George Washington University  
Georgetown University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Georgia State University  
Grinnell College  
**Harvard University**  
Harvey Mudd College  
Haverford College  
Hofstra University  
Holyoke Community College  
Hope College  
Illinois Institute of Technology  
Illinois Wesleyan University  
Indiana University  
Iowa State University  
James Madison University  
Johns Hopkins University  
Kenyon College  
Knox College  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola Marymount University  
Lynn University  
Marquette University  
Maryland Institute College of Art  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Michigan State University  
Monmouth College  
Morehouse College  
**New York University**  
North Carolina A&T State University  
North Carolina State University  
**Northeastern University**  
**Northwestern University**  
Occidental College  
Ohio State University  
Ohio University  
Otis College of Art and Design

Pace University  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pepperdine University  
**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  
San Diego State University  
San Francisco State University  
Santa Clara University  
Savannah College of Art and Design  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
School of Visual Arts  
Scripps College  
Smith College  
South Carolina State University  
Spring Arbor University  
St. John's University  
St. Louis College of Pharmacy  
Stanford University  
Stevens Institute of Technology  
Stony Brook University  
Swarthmore College  
Syracuse University  
Temple University  
Texas A&M University  
Texas Christian University  
**The New School**  
The University of Tampa  
The University of Texas  
**Tufts University**  
Tulane University  
**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 at Manoa  
**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**  
University of Maryland  
University of Massachusetts  
**University of Michigan**  
University of Minnesota  
University of Missouri  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
University of North Texas  
University of Notre Dame  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Redlands  
University of Richmond  
**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 Virginia  
**University of Washington**  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
**Vanderbilt University**  
Vanguard University of Southern California  
Villanova University  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University  
Washington State University  
Washington University in St Louis

Wellesley College  
Wentworth Institute of Technology  
**Wesleyan University**  
Wheaton College  
Whittier College  
Yale University

## CANADA

Concordia University  
McGill University  
McMaster University  
Queen's University  
Ryerson University  
Simon Fraser University  
**The University of British Columbia**  
**University of Alberta**  
University of Calgary  
University of Guelph  
**University of Toronto**  
University of Waterloo  
Vancouver Institute of Media Arts  
Western University  
York University

## UK AND EUROPE

**Ca Foscari University of Venice**  
Cardiff University  
City, University of London  
Durham University  
**ESCP Business School-Paris**  
Goldsmiths, University of London  
IE University  
Imperial College London  
Keele University  
**King's College London, University of London**  
Leeds Arts University  
Les Roches Schools of Hotel Management  
Norwich University of the Arts  
Nottingham Trent University  
Queen Mary University of London  
Regent's University London  
Royal Holloway, University of London  
The University of Edinburgh  
**University College London**  
University of Amsterdam  
University of East Anglia Uea  
University of East London  
**University of Gothenburg**  
University of Groningen  
University of Hertfordshire  
University of Leeds  
University of Leicester  
University of Liverpool  
**University of Nottingham**  
University of Plymouth  
University of Reading  
University of Southampton  
University of St Andrews  
University of Surrey  
University of the Arts London  
University of Warwick

## ASIA

City University of Hong Kong  
Duke Kunshan University  
Ewha Women's University  
Heriot-Watt University Dubai  
**Kasetsart University**  
**Keio University**  
Korea University  
Ritsumeikan University  
**Sophia University**  
Songkyunkwan University  
**SUNY Korea**  
Temple University-Japan Campus  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong  
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University  
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology  
The University of Hong Kong  
Tsinghua University  
Waseda University  
**Yonsei University**