

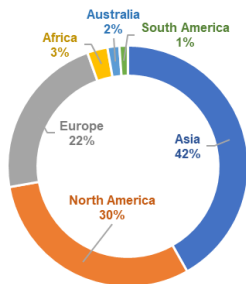
CULTURE OF KINDNESS

HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

Dubai American Academy (DAA) is a vibrant international community, deeply rooted in a culture of kindness, that creates and empowers leaders and independent thinkers with integrity, character and drive.

School Community

DAA High School has an enrollment of over 1,300 students from 95 countries. Our campus, accommodating approximately 3,300 students, is a purpose-built facility with leading edge amenities to support student development. The parents of DAA students come from a variety of business, governmental and other professional backgrounds.



% of HS Students' Nationalities by Continent

Academic Program

DAA provides a college-preparatory program. The language of instruction is English. Students enroll in a maximum of eight courses in a 8-block schedule. Graduation requirements include a minimum of 22 credits and community service for each year at DAA. Students are also given the option to enroll in the full International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, IB Certificate courses and Advanced Placement (AP) courses. In addition to 37 college preparatory classes, we offer 48 higher level (HL) and standard level (SL) IB classes, 13 AP class options and 47 elective classes from a range of subjects/disciplines. For courses offered, please review the [Course Offerings](#) and for course descriptions, please review the [Program of Studies](#).

School Calendar

Our school year, consisting of two semesters, runs from late August to the end of June.

Graduation Requirements

A minimum of 22 credits is required for graduation and credits are issued by semester. One-half credit (0.5) is awarded for the successful completion of each semester course with a minimum passing mark of D-. One credit (1.0) is awarded for the successful completion of each full year course passed. Every student who graduates from DAA will receive an American High School Diploma. Students who complete the full IB Diploma course of study and pass will also receive the IB Diploma. Specific credit requirements are listed to the right.

Subject	Credits	Subject	Credits
English	4.0	PE / Health	2.0
Mathematics	3.0	Fine / Performing Arts	0.5
Science	3.0	Electives	5.5
Social Studies	2.0	Arabic*	4.0
Foreign Language	2.0	Islamic*	2.0

*Per UAE government regulations

Grading Scale

A+	4.0	97-100
A	4.0	93-96
A-	3.7	90-92
B+	3.3	87-89
B	3.0	83-86
B-	2.7	80-82
C+	2.3	77-79
C	2.0	73-76
C-	1.7	70-72
D+	1.3	67-69
D	1.0	65-66
D-	0.5	Below 65
E/F	0.0	Below 60

Standardized Test Results 2023-2024

SAT Results (G11 & G12)

Test Takers	306
Mean EBRW	620
Middle 50%	550-690
Mean Math	617
Middle 50%	532-710

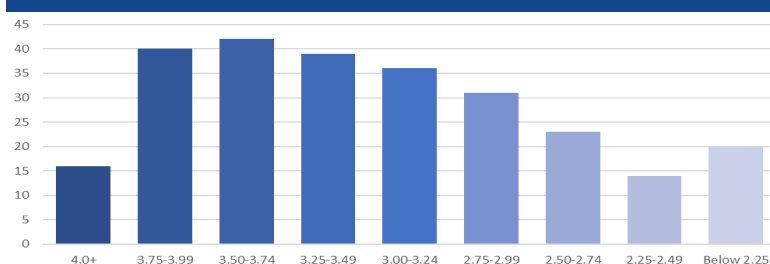
AP Results (G9 to G12)

Academic Year	No. of Exams	No. of Test Takers	Pass Rate (%3+)	Worldwide Pass Rate (%3+)
2023-2024	10	360	79%	69%
2022-2023	11	285	82%	63%
2021-2022	6	199	70%	61%
2020-2021	3	166	75%	56%

IB Results

Class Year	No. of Test Takers	Pass Rate	% of Senior in IB Diploma	Worldwide Mean Total IB Points	DAA Mean Total IB Points
2024	208	96%	63%	30	34
2023	225	98%	65%	30	33
2022	257	97%	60%	32	35
2021	262	100%	66%	33	34
2020	217	98%	60%	33	35

GPA Distribution: Class of 2024



Please note that all IB & AP courses have a 0.25 weight added to the standard weighting.

2024-2025

AFFILIATIONS

Council of International Schools (CIS)

New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)

International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBO)

Advanced Placement (AP)

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UNIVERSITY VISITS

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College and University Matriculation, Class of 2020-2024

UNITED STATES

American University
Arizona State University Campus Immersion
Arizona State University-Tempe
Arizona State University-West
Babson College
Bard College
Barry University
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music
Blinn College Station
Boston College
Boston University
Brandeis University
Brown University
Bryant University
California State University-Fullerton
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Claremont McKenna College
Clark University
Colgate University
Colorado State University-Fort Collins
Columbia University in the City of New York
Cornell University
DePaul University
Emerson College
Florida International University
Fordham University
Fresno State University
Front Range Community College - Larimer Campus
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology-Main Campus
Georgia Southern University
Georgia State University
Hampton University
Hofstra University
Howard University
Illinois Institute of Technology
Indiana State University
Indiana University-Bloomington
Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis
Johns Hopkins University
Kean University
Knox College
Las Positas Community College
Lehigh University
Life University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Lynn University
Manhattan School of Music
Marist College
Marymount University
Merlo College
Miami University-Oxford
Michigan State University
Montgomery College
New York University
North Carolina State University at Raleigh
Northeastern University
Ohio State University-Main Campus
Ohio Wesleyan University
Oregon State University
Otis College of Art and Design
Papo University
Pasadena City College
Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus
Pennsylvania State University-Penn State Altoona
Pennsylvania State University-Penn State York
Princeton University
Purdue University-Main Campus
Queens University of Charlotte
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Rutgers University-Newark
San Diego Miramar College
San Diego State University
Santa Monica College
Santiago Canyon College
Savannah College of Art and Design
Skidmore College
Stanford University
Suffolk University
Syracuse University
Tallahassee Community College
Temple University
Texas A & M University-College Station
Texas Christian University
The New School
The Pennsylvania State University
The University of Tampa
The University of Texas at Austin
The University of Texas at Dallas
The University of Texas at San Antonio
Tufts University
United States Merchant Marine Academy
University at Buffalo
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Arizona
University of California-Berkeley
University of California-Davis
University of California-Irvine
University of California-Los Angeles
University of California-Riverside
University of California-San Diego
University of California-Santa Barbara
University of Chicago
University of Cincinnati-Main Campus
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Dayton
University of Detroit Mercy
University of Florida
University of Hawaii-West Oahu
University of Houston

University of Illinois Chicago
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of La Verne
University of Maryland-College Park
University of Massachusetts-Amherst
University of Miami
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
University of Michigan-Dearborn
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
University of Nevada-Las Vegas
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of North Carolina at Charlotte
University of Notre Dame
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus
University of Rochester
University of South Florida-Main Campus
University of Southern California
University of Southern Mississippi
University of Washington-Seattle Campus
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wagner College
Wake Tech
Wake Technical Community College
Washington State University
Wentworth Institute of Technology

UNITED KINGDOM

Aston University, Birmingham
Barts and The London School of Medicine & Dentistry
Birkbeck, University of London
Bournemouth University
Brunel University London
Cardiff University
City of London College
City, University of London
Durham University
Durham University International Study Centre
Exeter College
Heriot-Watt University
Hult International Business School
Imperial College London
INTO City, University of London
INTO Lancaster University
INTO London
INTO Queen's University Belfast
Istituto Marangoni London
King's College London, University of London
Kingston College
Kingston University
Lancaster University
Leeds Beckett University
Leeds International Study Centre (progression to University of Leeds)
Leeds Trinity University
London Metropolitan University
Loughborough University
Manchester Metropolitan University
Middlesex University
NCUK
Newcastle University
Nottingham Trent University
Oxford Brookes University
Queen Mary University of London
Queen's University Belfast
Regent's University London
Richmond, The American International University in London
Royal Holloway, University of London
Solent University (Southampton)
St Mary's University, Twickenham
The University of Edinburgh
UCL (University College London)
University of Aberdeen
University of Bath
University of Birmingham
University of Bristol
University of Buckingham
University of Central Lancashire
University of Edinburgh
University of Essex
University of Exeter
University of Glasgow
University of Kent
University of Leeds
University of Leicester
University of London
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Reading
University of Sheffield
University of Sheffield International College
University of Southampton
University of St Andrews
University of Stirling
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of the Arts London
University of Warwick
University of Westminster, London
University of Winchester
University of York

EUROPE

3iS- The Institut International de l'Image et du Son
Aalto University
Alfonso X el Sabio University
Amsterdam Fashion Academy
Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences
Business and Hotel Management School Luzern
Catholic University of Portugal
CEU San Pablo University
Charles University - Faculty of Medicine in Hradec Kralove
Delft University of Technology
Dublin International Study Centre
eada business school
École hôtelière de Lausanne (EHL)
EDHEC Business School
EM Lyon
Erasmus University Rotterdam
ESADE Business School
ESCP Business School
Escuela Superior de Ingenieros Comerciales (ESIC university Madrid)
ESIC
ESIC Business & Marketing School
Esic University
ESSEC Business School
EU BARCELONA
EU Business School
European School of Economics
FH Aachen - University of Applied Sciences
Geneva Business School
Glon Institute of Higher Education
Grenoble Ecole de Management
Hanze University of Applied Sciences
Howest University of Applied Sciences
Humanitas University
IE University
IE University - Madrid Campus
Institut Quimic Sarria
International university of Monaco
Istituto Marangoni
Jacobs University
KTH Royal Institute of Technology
Le Cordon Bleu
Leiden University
Les Roches
Lund University
Maastricht Hotel Management School
Maastricht University
Masaryk University
Medical University of Warsaw
Milan Business School (UIBS)
Murdoch University Dubai
NHL Stenden
NHL Stenden University of Applied Sciences
Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti (NABA)
Nyenrode Business University
Oslo School of Architecture and Design
Panthéon-Assas University Paris II
Paris College of Art
Polimoda
Politecnico di Milano
Queen Mary University of London
Royal College of Surgeons
SBS Swiss Business School, Barcelona
School of Medicine - Frankfurt - European University Cyprus
Scuola Politecnica di Design
Semmelweis University
Stockholm University
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne
The American Business School of Paris
The American University of Paris
The Hague University of Applied Sciences
Tilburg University
Trinity College Dublin
TU Eindhoven
Universidad Catolica de Murcia
Universidad de Navarra
Universidad Europea de Madrid
Universidad europea de Valencia
Universidade De Evora
Università Bocconi
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
Universite de Liège
University College Cork
University College Dublin
University College Groningen
University College Twente
University of Amsterdam
University of Copenhagen
University of Graz
University of Groningen
University of Navarra
University of Padova
University of Pavia
University of Piraeus
University of Twente
University of Vienna
Utrecht University
Vita-Salute San Raffaele University
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Webster University
Willem de Kooning Academie

CANADA

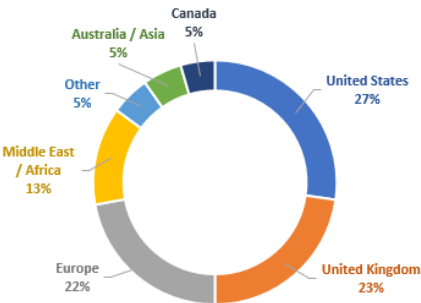
Brock University
Carleton University
Concordia University
Huron University
Lakehead University
McGill University
OCAD University
Queen's University
Ryerson University
Simon Fraser University (SFU)
St Francis Xavier University (StFX)
Thompson Rivers University (TRU)
Toronto Metropolitan University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia (UBC)
University of Calgary
University of Montreal
University of Ottawa
University of the Fraser Valley (UFV)
University of Toronto
University of Waterloo
Western University
York University

MIDDLE EAST / AFRICA

Ajman University
American University in Dubai
American University of Beirut
American University of Sharjah
Amity University Dubai
Canadian University Dubai
Emirates Aviation University
Emirates Flight Training Academy
European University Cyprus (EUC)
Gulf Medical University
Gulf University for Science and Technology
Heriot-Watt University Dubai
Higher Colleges of Technology
Istituto Marangoni
Khalifa University of Science and Technology
Lebanese American University
Middlesex University Dubai
Mohammed Bin Rashid University Of Medicine And Health Sciences
New York University Abu Dhabi
Paris-Panthéon-Assas University
RCSI Bahrain
Rochester Institute of Technology - Dubai
Royal College of Surgeons Ireland in Bahrain
SAE Institute Dubai
The Emirates Academy of Hospitality Management
United Arab Emirates University
University Of Birmingham Dubai
University of Dubai
University of Sharjah
University of Witwatersrand (WITS)
University of Wollongong in Dubai (UOWD)
Zayed University

AUSTRALIA / ASIA

Ajou University
Ashoka University
Australian National University
Chungang University
Griffith College
Hanyang University
KAIST - Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology
Keio University
MAGES institute
Manipal Academy of Higher Education
Murdoch University
National University of Singapore (NUS)
Seoul National University
Singapore Management University
SKMKS
Temple University Japan
The University of Hong Kong
University of Auckland
University of Melbourne
University of New South Wales (UNSW)
University of Sydney
University of Technology, Sydney
University of Wollongong
Waseda University
Yonsei University
Yonsei University - Underwood International College



Post High School University Matriculations (Class of 2024)

DAA students are limited in the number of applications they can submit. Admissions offices can be sure that an application from a DAA student is a well-considered one.