



HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

2011–2012

CEEB/SAT/ACT N° 716370
IB N° 000093
UCAS N° 47018

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

- St. John's International School exists to provide an English-speaking education that is based on Christian values, encourages academic excellence and stimulates social development within a culturally diverse environment. The college preparatory High School began in 1971. Demand for the school has grown by 10 percent over the past five years and the High School currently enrolls 326 students in Grades 9–12, with 900 students overall.
- The High School professional staff consists of 57 full- or part-time teachers and specialists in Support Services. The teacher/student ratio is 1/6.5.
- St. John's international student population includes students from more than 60 countries, 23 percent Americans, 13 percent British, and 10 percent Belgian. St. John's parent community is made up of highly educated expatriates choosing to live in Waterloo to attend the school and hold various important positions in business and government.
- Waterloo is a suburb of Brussels, the capital of Belgium and Europe, and headquarters of the European Union and NATO.

CURRICULUM AND ACCREDITATION—GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- The school is fully accredited by the **Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools** and the **European Council of International Schools**. The most recent re-accreditation occurred in 2003.
- The school awards a General Diploma and an Academic Diploma. A student may also work towards the International Baccalaureate Diploma which is awarded upon successful completion of requirements set by the IB organization.
- Academic Diploma (28 credits)**

English (one credit beyond EAL)	4 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Science	3 credits
Visual and Performing Arts	2 credits
Lifetime Sports	.5 credit
Modern Foreign Language	4 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Religious Studies	2 credits
Physical Education/Health	2 credits
Information Technology	.5 credit
Electives (selected from among IB/AP offerings)	4 credits
- General Diploma (24 credits)**
The General Diploma has the same requirements with the exception of the four elective credits.

- Multilingual Seal:** St. John's awards a multilingual transcript seal for students who demonstrate competency in three or more languages. Such competency is documented by successful completion of IB or AP exams—33 percent of the graduating class are candidates for the multilingual seal.

- Preparation for the **International Baccalaureate** and **Advanced Placement** exams is offered in the following subjects:

Art and Design (IB)	Geography (IB)
Biology (IB)	German (IB)
Business Studies (IB)	History (IB)
Calculus (AP)	Information Technology (IB)
Chemistry (IB)	Korean (IB)
Design Technology (IB)	Mathematics (IB, AP)
Dutch (IB)	Music (IB, AP)
Economics (IB)	Philosophy (IB)
English Language (IB)	Physics (IB)
English Literature (IB)	Spanish (IB, AP)
Environmental Systems (IB)	Swedish (IB)
French (IB)	Theatre Arts (IB)

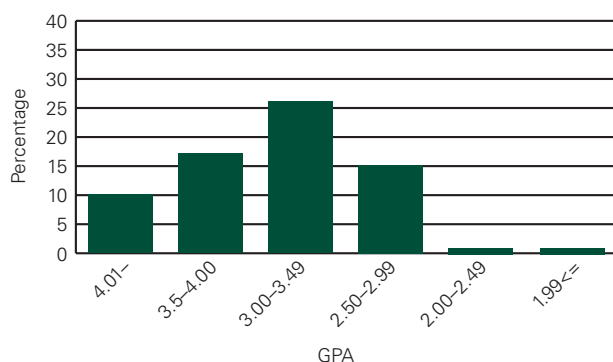
- All classes are taught in English with the exception of language classes.

GRADING AND RANKING

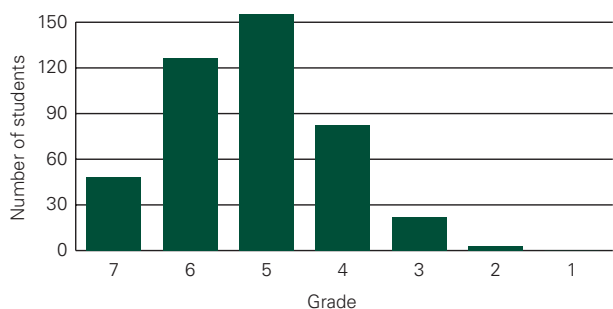
- Class rank is not computed but a weighted GPA on a scale of 4.00 establishes a reasonably accurate estimate of percentile placement. The GPA is based on a junior year at St. John's.
- The school year is divided into semesters. Evaluations are given each quarter.
- St. John's uses a 7-point grading scale.

St. John's	Descriptor	α-system	
7+	Outstanding	A+	Credit given
7	Excellent	A	
6+	Very Good	A-	
6		B+	
5+	Good	B	
5		B-	
4+	Satisfactory	C+	
4		C	Credit not given
3+	Mediocre	D+	
3		D	
2+	Poor	F	
2			
1	Very Poor		

GPA – Class of 2011–Junior Year at St.John’s only (70 students)



Grade Distribution report – Class of 2011



EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS

• International Baccalaureate

During the month of May 2011 testing session, 99 St. John’s students took 570 exams. Sixty-two students took the diploma and 61 passed. The average points obtained by diploma candidates were 33 with the average subject grade being 5.26. The highest score in the IB Diploma (2011) was 42 points.

FURTHER SCHOOLING OF GRADUATES

Students from the Class of 2011 have enrolled in the following colleges, universities and professional schools:

UK

University of Aberdeen
Aston University
University of Birmingham
Bournemouth University
Cass Business School
Central Saint Martins
City University
University of Edinburgh
European Business School
University of Glasgow
University of West England
Herriot Watts University
University of Hertfordshire
Keele University
University of Kent
King’s College London
Lancaster University
University of Leeds
University of Liverpool (Medical School)
Loughborough University
University of Manchester
University of Manchester (Medical School)

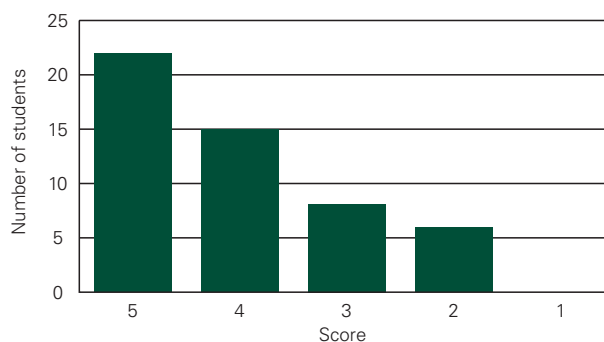
Middlesex University
Ravensbourne College of Design and Communication
Regents College Business school
SOAS (School of Oriental and African Studies)
University of Warwick

USA

Austin Community College
University of California at Los Angeles
Columbia University
Davidson College
Drexel University
Elon University
Hawaii Pacific University
Lawrence University
Liberty University
University of New Hampshire
New York University
Northeastern University
Vassar College

• Advanced Placement

In May 2011, 30 students of the Class of 2012 took 51 exams; 73% of students scoring 4 or 5, 88% of students score 3 and above. Forty-five exams were graded at 3 or higher.



• SAT Summary (includes results of EAL and learning support students)

SAT	MEAN				
	08	09	10	11	12
Class					
Critical reading	544	575	585	572	568
Math	576	580	614	582	568
Writing	542	583	575	557	565
Students tested	34	22	21	26	21

• ACT Summary (includes results of EAL and learning support students)

ACT	MEAN				
	08	09	10	11	12
Class					
English	24.2	27.3	26.1	28	32
Math	25	27.4	27.1	22	30
Reading	24.2	30.9	23.3	27.8	31
Science Reasoning	23.3	26.9	26.8	21.8	28
Composite	24.6	28.1	25.8	24.8	30
Students tested	6	7	8	5	4

Belgium

Facultes Universitaires Notre-Dame de la Paix
Ghent University
Vesalius College (VUB)
Université catholique de Louvain
Université libre de Bruxelles

European

Delft University of Technology
Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne
IE University

Canada

University of British Columbia
McGill University
University of Toronto

Some students will travel, pursue a gap year, work or fulfill military obligations.