



Woodside International School

of
San Francisco

High School Profile 2017-2018

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ABOUT

Woodside International School of San Francisco is a WASC-accredited, independent, college-preparatory and co-educational private high school. Our student body consists of both American and International students. We foster a collaborative community spirit, and we have been cultivating a global community one student at a time for 40 years.

MISSION

Our mission is to engage and support all of our students in becoming socially responsible critical thinkers who understand learning is a continuous process to prepare them for life beyond high school in the modern world.

VALUES

We believe that every child can be academically successful and realize his or her potential in the nurturing environment of a school that truly cares about each student. We facilitate the development of self-reliant, confident and compassionate individuals who become responsible citizens. Our rigorous academic approach and small class sizes help develop critical thinking skills and a broad and inclusive view of the world. Our students are global citizens, and tolerance, diversity and mutual respect are at the forefront of Woodside's program.

PROGRAM

Our students understand from the first day of school that learning is a lifelong pursuit. The value of higher education is emphasized in consistent collaboration among our students and faculty. Our College Counselor begins working with students in the 9th grade to develop a college entrance and success plan. Problem solving strategies, analytical and critical thinking, and organizational and study skills are at the core of our program. Students are also advised and encouraged to communicate opinions effectively and creatively. We recognize that students express themselves in a variety of ways, and our broad, collaborative and rigorous curriculum has been developed to value achievement in all areas.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students spend extensive time with ESL teachers in order to develop their understanding of language mechanics and to improve both written and oral communication in English. International students participate in math, science, and art classes with American students in order to encourage and facilitate cultural exchange among the entire student body.

Founded

WIS was founded in 1976.

School Day

Core school day is 8:30 am - 3:15 pm. After school electives until 5:00 pm.

Grade Scale

A-F grading system. GPA calculated on a 4.00 scale. Honors are weighted an additional grade point.

Class Size

Average class size is 12 students.

Student Population

55% local students, 45% international students. Alumni represent 17+ countries.

Accreditation

Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

Visa Sponsorship

Approved by the US Department of State to host F-1 Visa Students.

College Counseling

Individualized counseling and classes for every student. Over 98% of graduates go directly to college.

International Student Advising

Academic and cultural advising provided to international students.



Subjects	Graduation Requirements	Course Units	Course Catalogue
English	4 years	40	English Language & Literature I-IV Honors English Language & Literature IV English as a Second Language ESL I/II English as a Second Language ESL II/III
Mathematics	4 years	40	Algebra I Algebra II Geometry Pre-Calculus Calculus, Honors Calculus, AP Calculus AB
Social Studies	4 years	40	World Civilizations World History US History Civics & Economics World Civilizations ESL/World History ESL
Laboratory Science	4 years	40	Integrated Science Biology Chemistry, Honors Chemistry, AP Chemistry Physics, Honors Physics Environmental Science Integrated Science ESL
World Language	2 years of the same language	20	French I-IV Japanese I-IV Mandarin I-IV Spanish I-IV
Visual and Performing Arts	2 years	8	Foundation Art I/II Advanced Art Portfolio Preparation Drama Film Appreciation Music Appreciation, Music Performance Woodshop
College Preparatory Electives	2 years	16	Philosophy I/II Advanced Philosophy III/IV Additional year of core classes
Enrichment	4 years	8	Health & Society I-IV Yearbook College Counseling
Community Service	100 Hours	--	25 hours per year of attendance
Total		221 Units	

College Acceptances

Abilene Christian University
Academy of Art University, San Francisco
American University of Dubai
Arizona State University
Bard College
Boston University
Brigham Young University
California College of Arts
California Community Colleges:
Berkeley, De Anza, Diablo Valley, Foothill, Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Monica, Skyline
California State Universities:
Cal Poly Pomona, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Channel Islands, Chico, East Bay, Fresno, Humboldt, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Monterey Bay, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, Sonoma
Chapman University
Colorado State University
Dominican University of California
Drexel University
Eastern Oregon University
Eugene Lang College
Evergreen State College
Hofstra University
Ithaca College
Landmark College
Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts
Mills College
New School University
Notre Dame de Namur University
Oregon State University
Pace University
Pepperdine University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Saint Joseph's College
Saint Mary's College of California
San Francisco Art Institute
San Francisco Conservatory of Music
Sarah Lawrence College
Shoreline Community College, WA
Southern Oregon University
Syracuse University
University of Arizona
University of California:
Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz
University of Denver
University of Hawaii
University of Miami
University of Montana Western
University of Portland
University of Puget Sound
University of San Francisco
University of the Pacific
University of Vermont
Utica College
Western State University
Whittier College
Xavier University

Honors Diploma Requirements:

- A cumulative G.P.A. of 3.50 or higher
- Extra electives classes (225 units total instead of 212)
- 25 extra community service hours (125 total instead of 100)
- Minimum of one full year's enrollment at Woodside

Woodside International School does not discriminate on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, religion, marital or parental status, sex, or sexual orientation.