



# Woodside International School

of  
San Francisco

## High School Profile 2018-2019

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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 learning together. We foster a collaborative community spirit, and we have been cultivating a global community one student at a time for over 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 are offered until 5:00 pm.

### Grade Scale

A-F grading system, with 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 is provided to international students.

INQUIRING SCHOLARS



HEALTHY INDIVIDUALS



CONTRIBUTING CITIZENS



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Subjects	Graduation Requirements	Course Units	Course Catalogue	College Acceptances
English	4 years	40	English Language & Literature I-IV <b>Honors English Language &amp; Literature IV</b> ESL Intermediate ESL Advanced	Abilene Christian University Academy of Art University American University of Dubai Arizona State University Babson College Bard College Boston University Brigham Young University California College of Arts <u>California State Universities:</u> 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 College of Charleston Colorado State University <u>Community Colleges:</u> Berkeley, De Anza, Diablo Valley, Foothill, Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Monica, Skyline; Shoreline Community College (WA) 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 Oberlin College Oregon State University Pace University Pepperdine University Reed College Rochester Institute of Technology Saint Joseph's College Saint Mary's College of California San Francisco Art Institute San Francisco Conservatory of Music Santa Clara University Sarah Lawrence College Southern Oregon University Syracuse University University of Arizona <u>University of California:</u> 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 Southern California University of the Pacific University of Vermont Utica College Western State University Whittier College Williams College Xavier University
Mathematics	4 years	40	Algebra I Algebra II Geometry Pre-Calculus Calculus, <b>Honors Calculus, AP Calculus AB</b>	
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, <b>Honors Chemistry, AP Chemistry</b> Physics, <b>Honors Physics</b> 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 Music Appreciation & Performance	
College Preparatory Electives	2 years	16	Philosophy I/II Advanced Philosophy III/IV <b>Honors Advanced Philosophy</b> 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	
<b>Total</b>		<b>212 Units</b>		

<b>Honors Diploma Requirements:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher</li> <li>• Extra elective classes (225 units instead of 212)</li> <li>• 25 extra Community Service hours (125 instead of 100)</li> <li>• Minimum of one full year's enrollment at Woodside</li> </ul>
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