

HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE **2020 – 2021**

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INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF GENEVA, CAMPUS DE LA CHÂTAIGNERAIE

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY: La Châtaigneraie is one of the three campuses of the International School of Geneva in Switzerland. Founded in 1924 on principles of global peace and in the service of the League of Nations, 'Ecolint' is an independent non-profit foundation with an elected governing board which includes representatives from the cantonal and federal authorities, and the United Nations. The world's first international school, Ecolint remains its oldest and largest. It co-founded the International Baccalaureate in 1968 and remains at the forefront of educational dynamism (developing new IB courses, for example). Ecolint educates the children of international and Swiss families in the greater Geneva area, providing instruction in both English and French. There are 1035 students in La Châtaigneraie's secondary programme with approximately 80 nationalities represented. For many, English or French is not their first language. Students are admitted on a non-selective, first-come, first-served basis and 95% of graduates go on to higher education. COVID: Ecolint was in lockdown from March 13th until the end of the school year. Lessons for all students continued online. Internal exams also took place online.

ACCREDITATION: La Châtaigneraie is accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the Middle States Association (MSA). It is a founding member of the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) and a member of the European Council of International Schools (ECIS) and the Swiss Group of International Schools (SGIS).

FACULTY & FACILITIES: The 100 teachers and learning support staff are drawn from all parts of the world with well over a dozen nationalities represented, including but not limited to Australian, American, British, Canadian, Chinese, Dutch, French, German, Indian, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Trinidadian, Spanish, and Swiss. The ratio of staff to students is 1:10 in the secondary section. Facilities include three main buildings, twelve science and computer labs, a large library, a theatre, performing arts studios, art studios, two sports halls, a gym, playing fields and an artificial pitch.

CURRICULUM UK Years 7-13 / **US Grades** 6-12:

Years 10-13 follow a rigorous university preparatory curriculum. This leads to external IGCSE or internal examinations at the end of Year 11, a high school diploma at the end of Year 12, or the IB Diploma, IB Courses, or Swiss Maturité at the end of Year 13. The curriculum includes integrated science in Years 7-9, Physics, Biology, and Chemistry in Years 10-11, and IB Biology, Chemistry, and Physics in Years 12-13. Three years of language other than English and French are required to graduate: Spanish, German and Italian are offered, plus many mother tongue courses. Social Sciences include Geography and History in Years 7-13 with the addition of Economics plus Business and Management in Years 12-13. Computer Programming, Video Editing, Web Design, Visual Arts, Music, and Theatre Arts are available as internally or externally examined courses across Years 7-13. La Châtaigneraie has been a laptop school since 2015.

International Baccalaureate Programme (Years 12-13): Subjects offered (by IB group) include: (1&2) English, French, German, Spanish (plus many mother tongues); (3) Business & Management, Economics, Geography, History; (4) Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Systems & Societies, Nature of Science (an IB pilot course), Physics; (5) Mathematics (all levels); (6) Music, Theatre Arts, and Visual Arts.

Swiss Maturité Programme (Years 10-13): Approximately 10% of students choose to follow this francophone programme with examinations at the end of Years 12 and 13. A very broad range of subjects are included and students are able to complete a bilingual French-English Maturité programme if they so wish. *We can provide a concise document explaining the Swiss Maturité, including how to convert scores to IB points.*

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Interscholastic and intramural sports, drama club (offering LAMDA qualifications and ISTA competitions), debating club, printed and online newspapers, elected student council, peer counselling, Student League of Nations, Amnesty International, Global Issues Network, and the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. Many student council activities are social service projects for and in developing countries.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: 24 credits (minimum), including 4 in the mother tongue (usually French or English); 3 in another language; 3 in laboratory science; 3 in mathematics; 3 in social sciences; 1.5 in aesthetics (art, music, and/or theatre, in any combination); 1.5 in physical education; and 5 from elective courses.

GRADING & DISCIPLINARY Policy: Only year-end grades are transcribed. Students are graded on a scale of 1 to 7 in IB courses and on a scale of 1 to 6 in Swiss Maturité courses. Marking standards are very rigorous. Students are elected to the Honour Roll in the IB programme with a 6 average and to the Excellence Roll with a 6.5 average; for the Swiss Maturité programme, a 5 elects to the Honour Roll and a 5.5 to the Excellence Roll. GPAs are not weighted and there is no ranking. Any disciplinary actions including suspensions are only reported to US colleges and universities if the probationary period is active at the time of application. We believe that error leads to learning, and so we strongly encourage students to report any serious disciplinary infractions on their application forms.

> Grade Distribution for Junior Year (June 2020) for the Class of 2021

Highest GPA: 7.00

Lowest GPA: 3.50

Median GPA: 5.50

IB SUBJECTS	7	6.5	6	5.5	5	4.5	4	3.5	3	2	1
Biology	7	5	10	4	6	3	3	1	1	0	0
Business Management	3	12	10	8	14	5	2	1	0	0	0
Chemistry	3	6	10	10	7	2	0	0	1	0	0
Computer Science	12	3	4	1	2	0	4	1	1	0	0
Economics	6	5	11	6	8	1	6	5	1	1	0
English	9	12	36	33	26	13	11	1	0	0	0
Environmental Systems (ESS)	3	6	7	7	4	2	2	0	0	0	0
French	23	19	36	29	13	1	1	1	0	0	0
Geography	2	6	14	9	5	4	1	2	0	0	0
German	1	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
History	3	7	9	6	7	2	1	1	0	0	0
Mathematics	10	14	18	28	24	13	12	9	4	5	0
Music	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nature of Science (NOS)	0	2	5	5	4	2	4	0	0	0	0
Physics	5	5	4	4	4	5	2	0	0	0	0
Spanish	7	10	6	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theory of Knowledge (TOK)	12	18	32	22	27	12	6	2	3	0	0
Theatre Arts	4	4	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Visual Arts	0	2	2	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0

> Résultats de Maturité Suisse

RÉSULTATS ACTUELS & HISTORIQUES						
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Inscrits	8	11	11	10	10	14
Reçus	8	9	11	9	10	13
% de Réussite	100.00%	82%	100%	90%	100%	93%

RÉPARTITION DES NOTES 2020											
	6	5.5	5	4.5	4	3.5	3	2.5	2	1.5	1
Fréquence	10	15	15	29	21	5	5	3	1	0	0
% du Total	10%	14%	14%	28%	20%	5%	5%	3%	1%	0%	0%

> SAT Results *(N.B. SAT subject test data is unavailable due to a lack of test takers)*

SAT I & II MIDDLE 50% RANGES 2020	
Candidates	45
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	550 – 680
Mathematical Reasoning	540 – 700
Writing	25 – 32
Math 1	N/A
Math 2	N/A
French	N/A

HISTORIC SAT I & II MIDDLE 50% RANGES					
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Candidates	33	24	24	33	37
EBRW / Critical Reading	570 – 710	590 – 700	580 – 690	530 – 710	550 – 650
Mathematical Reasoning	560 – 690	550 – 720	560 – 670	540 – 700	550 – 650
Writing	29 – 35	33 – 44	30 – 35	510 – 660	560 – 660
Math 1	610 – 610	660 – 720	600 – 660	620 – 690	550 – 620
Math 2	660 – 740	600 – 740	600 – 700	590 – 730	580 – 750
French	750 – 800	760 – 800	780 – 800	660 – 800	680 – 800

> International Baccalaureate Results

IB EXAMINATION RESULTS 2020		
Number of candidates registered in the session	133	
Number of subject entries in the session	1054	
Number of candidates who successfully passed the Diploma	132	
Average points obtained by candidates who passed the Diploma	36	
Average grade obtained by candidates who passed the Diploma	5.6	
Highest Diploma points awarded to an individual candidate	44	x4
Total number of candidates excluded from above statistics	1 (who withdrew and returned to China due to Covid-19)	

CURRENT & HISTORIC IB EXAMINATION RESULTS

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Diploma Candidates	133	126	123	126	122	111
% Pass Rate	100%	98%	93%	98%	99%	95%
Scoring 40-45	25%	24%	25%	24%	14%	16%
Scoring 35-39	35%	33%	35%	28%	39%	29%
Scoring 28-34	35%	39%	25%	36%	40%	50%
Scoring 24-27	5%	3%	10%	8%	7%	5%
Average Points	36	36	36	35	35	34
Average Grade	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.6	5.5	5.4

> Worldwide University Matriculations 2020 (By Country)

AUS	University of Melbourne	1	UK	University of Edinburgh	5
BEL	Haute Ecole Léonard de Vinci	1	UK	University of Exeter	2
CAN	University of British Columbia (UBC)	3	UK	University of Glasgow	1
CAN	Concordia University	1	UK	Imperial College London	2
CAN	McGill University	7	UK	University of Kent	1
CAN	University of Toronto	6	UK	Lancaster University	1
CAN	University of Waterloo	1	UK	University of Leeds	2
CAN	Western University	2	UK	Leeds College of Music	1
CH	Haute Ecole d'Art et de Design (HEAD)	1	UK	University of London: King's College (KCL)	3
CH	EU Business School	2	UK	University of London: LSE	1
CH	Université de Genève (UNIGE)	3	UK	University of London: Queen Mary	4
CH	International University of Geneva (IUG)	1	UK	University of London: Royal Holloway	1
CH	Glion Institute of Higher Education	1	UK	University of London: UCL	6
CH	Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne (EHL)	5	UK	London Metropolitan University	1
CH	Ecole Polytechnique Féd. de Lausanne (EPFL)	5	UK	Loughborough University	1
CH	Université de Lausanne (UNIL)	3	UK	University of Oxford	1
CH	Universität St Gallen (HSG)	1	UK	University of Southampton	1
CH	Universität Zürich (UZH)	1	UK	University of St Andrews	3
CH	Webster University	1	UK	University of Stirling	1
FRA	Université Grenoble Alpes	1	UK	University of Sussex	7
IRL	Trinity College Dublin	3	UK	University of Warwick	2
ITA	Charles H Cecil Studios	1	UK	University of Winchester	1
NLD	Delft University of Technology	1	UK	University of York	1
NLD	Design University Eindhoven	1	USA	ArtCentre College of Design	1
NLD	University of Groningen	1	USA	Boston University	1
NLD	University College Roosevelt	1	USA	Bryn Mawr College	1
NLD	Utrecht University	1	USA	Cornell University	1
NLD	University College Utrecht	4	USA	James Madison University	1
NLD	Vrije University	1	USA	New York University	2
ESP	CEU Cardenal Herrera University	1	USA	Purdue University	3
ESP	IE University	1	USA	Santa Clara University	1
UK	University of Aberdeen	2	USA	Shenandoah University	1
UK	Arts University Bournemouth (AUB)	2	USA	University of California, Berkeley	1
UK	University of the Arts: Central Saint Martins	2	USA	University of Chicago	2
UK	University of Bath	4	USA	University of Michigan	1
UK	University of Bristol	2	USA	University of San Diego	1
UK	Durham University	8			

UK = 69 Switzerland = 24 Canada = 20 USA = 17 Netherlands = 10
Ireland = 3 Spain = 2 Australia = 1 Belgium = 1 France = 1 Italy = 1

149 students went on to attend 73 institutions in 11 countries (this number includes some alumni who applied after graduating from the school). 10 of this year's graduating students will apply next year.