



Utica Academy for International Studies
An International Baccalaureate
World School #4001

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IB LEARNERS ARE

- INQUIRERS
- KNOWLEDGEABLE
- THINKERS
- COMMUNICATORS
- PRINCIPLED
- OPEN-MINDED
- CARING
- RISK-TAKERS
- BALANCED
- REFLECTIVE

The Utica Academy for International Studies
Ranks #1 in Michigan on the Washington
Post's 2017 List of America's Most
Challenging High Schools



Profile for Colleges and Universities

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School History and Enrollment

The Utica Academy for International Studies (UAIS) opened in the fall of 2008, and is a fully authorized International Baccalaureate World School. We currently enroll 377 students in grades 9-12. Our inaugural class graduated in June 2012.

Community

UAIS is a public high school program belonging to the Utica Community Schools (UCS) district, which is Michigan's second largest school district. Located approximately 7 miles north of Detroit, in Macomb County, the 25 elementary schools, seven junior high schools, and four high schools within UCS serve approximately 28,000 students from a 66-square mile suburban area. The community is largely residential with strong economic ties to the automotive industry. UCS has enjoyed a long-standing tradition of exceptional citizen support, which has resulted in numerous innovative educational programs.

Students

UAIS students are primarily drawn from the four Utica Community Schools high schools. Our students are socio-economically, ethnically and religiously diverse. Approximately 15% of our students qualify for free and reduced lunch.

School Schedule

We operate a two semester, eight class period A/B block schedule which allows students to earn eight credits per year.

IB Diploma Course Load

Students are advised to take only three HL courses and strongly discouraged from taking more than four.

Extended Essay (EE) and Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)

All students are expected to produce a 3,500 - 4,000 word Extended Essay, which is a capstone project based on their original research. Students must also complete 150 hours of Creativity, Activity and Service, including an extended service project that requires collaboration and leadership, and is focused on the local community. These IB requirements are in addition to their other coursework.

Co-Curricular Activities

UAIS offers numerous extracurricular clubs and activities. Students wishing to participate in high school athletics or activities not offered at UAIS, may return to their attendance area high school. Participating in base school sports and activities requires considerable student initiative and represents a serious commitment.

Faculty

All faculty members hold a Master's, Specialist or Ph.D. degree. Faculty members have been extensively trained in brain/mind research in conjunction with the Caine Learning Institute of Idyllwild, California. Faculty members have also received special training in Reading Apprenticeship by West Ed.

Grading System

The UAIS grading system is based on a weighted 4.0 scale. Semester grades are based on a 40/40/20 model wherein each of two quarters counts for 40% of the final semester grade and the exam counts for the remaining 20%. Grades are weighted (.50) for all courses that conclude in a national reported course exam (IB or AP).

Grading Scale

Letter	Value	Course GPA	AP or IB Weighted Course
A	94-100	4.00	4.50
A-	90-93	3.67	4.17
B+	87-89	3.33	3.84
B	83-86	3.00	3.50
B-	80-82	2.67	3.17
C+	77-79	2.33	2.83
C	73-76	2.00	2.50
C-	70-72	1.67	2.17
D+	67-69	1.33	1.83
D	63-66	1.00	1.50
D-	60-62	0.67	1.17
F	50-59	0.00	0.00

Class Rank

Due to the small size of our graduating classes, we do not rank students. All students are enrolled in rigorous college preparatory coursework.

UAIS Class of 2018 SAT Scores

SAT Mean Composite Scores	
Mean Composite Score	1308
Mean Composite Score of Middle 50%	1403
Mean Composite Score of Top 25%	1462
Mean Composite Score of Top 10%	1517

UAIS Class of 2017 Quartile Grade Distribution with SAT Scores (87 students)

GPA	4.3-4.2	4.19-4.08	4.07-3.95	3.94-3.54
Mean SAT	1416	1300	1206	1106

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College and University Acceptances and Matriculation for UAIS Class of 2012-2017 (* = matriculation)

100% of students from the graduating class of 2017 are attending a four-year college or university.

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| Albion College | George Washington University | Rutgers University* |
| Allegheny College | Georgetown University | Santa Clara University |
| Alma College* | Goucher College* | School of Art Institute of Chicago |
| American University* | Grand Valley State University* | Seton Hall University |
| Aquinas College* | Hampton University* | Spring Arbor University |
| Arizona State University | Harvard University* | Stanford University |
| Austin College | Hillsdale College* | Stevens Institute of Technology* |
| Baker College* | Hope College* | St. John's University |
| Ball State University | Howard University | Swarthmore College |
| Bethel College | Indiana University | Syracuse University |
| Boston University* | Indiana Wesleyan University* | Temple University |
| Bowling Green State University* | Iowa State University | Thomas More College of the Liberal Arts |
| Brigham Young University* | James Madison University | Tiffin University* |
| Brown University* | John Carroll University | University of Akron |
| Butler University | Johns Hopkins University* | University of Alabama* |
| Calvin College | Kalamazoo College* | University of Chicago* |
| Carthage College | Kendall College of Art and Design | University of Cincinnati* |
| Case Western Reserve | Kettering University* | University of Delaware |
| Central Michigan University* | Lawrence Technological University* | University of Detroit Mercy* |
| Citadel | Loyola University Chicago | University of Illinois – Urbana Champaign |
| City University of New York | Macomb Community College* | University of Maryland |
| Clemson University | Madonna University* | University of Massachusetts* |
| College of Clarkston | Massachusetts Institute of Technology* | University of Michigan - Ann Arbor* |
| College for Creative Studies* | Miami University* | University of Michigan - Dearborn* |
| College of William and Mary* | Michigan State University* | University of Missouri – Kansas City |
| College of Wooster | Michigan Technological University* | University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill* |
| Columbia College Chicago* | Montana State University* | University of Ohio |
| Columbia University* | New York University* | University of Miami |
| Cornell University | Northeastern University | University of Pennsylvania |
| Dartmouth College* | Norwich University* | University of Pittsburgh* |
| DePaul University | Northern Illinois University | University of San Diego |
| Drexel University | Northern Michigan University | University of Southern California |
| Duke University* | Notre Dame University | University of Vermont |
| Eastern Michigan University* | Nova Southeastern University* | University of Virginia |
| Emerson College | Oakland University* | University of Washington Seattle |
| Emory University | Ohio Northern University | Vanderbilt University* |
| Ferris State University* | Ohio State University* | Warsaw University of Technology |
| Florida Gulf Coast University* | Olivet College* | Wayne State University* |
| Fordham University | Parsons New School for Design* | Wesleyan University* |
| Gannon University* | Purdue University | Western Michigan University* |
| Georgia Technological University | Rochester College | Xavier University* |

IB Diploma Results for the UAIS Class of 2017

May 2017 Diploma Success Rate for UAIS Diploma Candidates by GPA Quartile (87 students)

GPA	4.30-4.2	4.19-4.08	4.07-3.95	3.94-3.54
# of students (87)	22	22	18	25
Mean IB Diploma Score for Quartile (2014 Worldwide Mean Score was 29.77)	32.5	27.1	27.7	24
Mean SAT Score for Quartile	1416	1300	1206	1106
% of students who earned IB Diploma	100%	81%	61%	48%
UAIS Pass Rate	74.1%			
May 2017 Worldwide Pass Rate	78.4%			

May 2017 Diploma Scores for Students Who Earned the IB Diploma by Diploma Scores (45 Possible Points)

	1 st Quartile	2 nd Quartile	3 rd Quartile	4 th Quartile
Mean Diploma Score (Range of Scores)	33.8 (40-27)	29 (33-26)	26.8 (31-25)	23.1 (27-24)
Mean GPA for Quartile	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.8
Mean SAT for Quartile	1396	1300	1218	1204
UAIS Mean Diploma Score	29.60			
May 2017 Worldwide Mean Score	29.87			

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International Baccalaureate (IB) Full Diploma Program Curriculum

The IB curriculum is at the heart of the UAIS. Modeled by a hexagon, the IB curriculum is comprised of six academic areas surrounding the three core requirements. In order to meet the graduation requirements set forth by the Utica Community Schools Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education, students must complete 22 credit hours. Typical UAIS students graduate with 32 credits.



Utica Community Schools Minimum Graduation Requirements for Class of 2018	Utica Academy for International Studies Area Requirements for Class of 2018
English Language Arts (4 credits)	English Language Arts (4 Credits)
Mathematics (4 credits)	Mathematics (4 Credits)
Science (3 credits)	Science (4 Credits)
Social Studies (3 credits)	Social Studies (5 Credits)
Health & Physical Education (1 credit)	Health & Physical Education (optional)
Visual, Performing, Applied Arts (1 credit)	Visual, Performing and Applied Arts (2 Credits)
Michigan Merit Exam	Michigan Merit Exam
	World Languages (4 Credits)

COURSES OFFERED (Required = *)

GROUP 1: STUDIES IN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

HONORS ENGLISH 9*
 HONORS ENGLISH 10*
 IB ENGLISH 11 SL/HL*
 IB ENGLISH 12 SL/HL*

GROUP 2: LANGUAGE ACQUISITION* (* 4 Year language Sequence)

FRENCH I
 FRENCH II
 IB FRENCH I and II SL/HL
 SPANISH I
 SPANISH II
 IB SPANISH I and II SL/HL
 JAPANESE I
 JAPANESE II
 IB JAPANESE I and II SL/HL

GROUP 3: INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETIES

AP UNITED STATES HISTORY*
 AP WORLD HISTORY*
 ECONOMICS*
 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT*
 IB HIST OF 20th CENTURY SL/ HL*
 IB HISTORY OF AMERICAS SL/HL*
 IB PSYCHOLOGY I and II SL/HL

GROUP 4: EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES*

PHYSICS*
 BIOLOGY*
 CHEMISTRY*
 IB BIOLOGY I and II SL/HL
 IB CHEMISTRY I and II SL/HL
 IB PHYSICS I and II SL/HL
 IB NATURE OF SCIENCE SL

GROUP 5: MATHEMATICS

GEOMETRY*
 ACC ALGEBRA II*
 AP STATISTICS
 IB MATH STUDIES I SL (*Alg II/Pre Calc*)
 IB MATH STUDIES II SL (*Pre-Calc/Trig*)
 IB MATH I and II SL (*Pre Calc/Calc/Trig*)
 IB MATH I and II HL (*Trig/Pre-Calc/Calc AB & BC/Stats*)
 IB Further Maths HL (*Discrete Math/Analytical Geom/Differential Equations/Sets & Group Theory/Linear Algebra*)

GROUP 6: THE ARTS*

THEATRE ARTS I
 THEATRE ARTS II
 IB THEATRE I and II SL/HL
 BAND
 INSTRUMENTAL SOLO & ENSEMBLE
 VOCAL SOLO & ENSEMBLE
 IB MUSIC I and II SL/HL
 IB VISUAL ARTS I and II SL/HL
 ART FOUNDATIONS
 STUDIO ART 2D/3D
 ADVANCED STUDIO ART
 AP ART HISTORY

THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE

IB THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE 11/12*

OTHER COURSES

PRODUCTION TEAMS 9/10*
 SPEECH I*
 YEARBOOK
 TEAM SPORTS BOYS/GIRLS