



**Utica Academy for International Studies
An International Baccalaureate
World School**

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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 American's Most
Challenging High Schools



Profile for Colleges and Universities

2018-2019

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 367 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 30,000 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 drawn from the four Utica Community Schools high schools. Our students are socio-economically, ethnically and religiously diverse. Approximately 12% of 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 semester.

IB Diploma Course Load

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

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

All students are expected to produce a 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.

Class of 2019 Quartile Grade Distribution with SAT Scores (98 students)

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

Class of 2019 SAT Scores

SAT Mean Composite Scores	
Mean Composite Score	1275
Mean Composite Score of Middle 50%	1294
Mean Composite Score of Top 25%	1440
Mean Composite Score of Top 10%	1491

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College and University Acceptances and Matriculation for UAIS Class of 2012-2018 (* = matriculation)

100% of students from the graduating class of 2018 are attending a four-year college or university.

Albion College
 Allegheny College
 Alma College*
 American University*
 Aquinas College*
 Arizona State University
 Austin College
 Baker College*
 Ball State University
 Bethel College
 Boston University*
 Bowling Green State University*
 Brigham Young University*
 Brown University*
 Butler University
 Calvin College
 Carthage College
 Case Western Reserve
 Central Michigan University*
 Citadel
 City University of New York
 Clemson University
 College of Clarkston
 College for Creative Studies*
 College of William and Mary*
 College of Wooster
 Columbia College Chicago*
 Columbia University*
 Cornell University
 DePaul University
 Drexel University
 Duke University*
 Eastern Michigan University*
 Emerson College
 Emory University
 Ferris State University*
 Florida Gulf Coast University*
 Fordham University

Gannon University*
 Georgia Technological University
 George Washington University
 Georgetown University
 Goucher College*
 Grand Valley State University*
 Harvard University*
 Hillsdale College*
 Hope College*
 Indiana University
 Indiana Wesleyan University*
 Iowa State University
 James Madison University
 John Carroll University
 Johns Hopkins University*
 Kalamazoo College*
 Kendall College of Art and Design
 Kettering University*
 Lawrence Technological University*
 Loyola University Chicago
 Macomb Community College*
 Madonna University*
 Miami University*
 Michigan State University*
 Michigan Technological University*
 Montana State University*
 New York University*
 Northeastern University
 Norwich University*
 Northern Illinois University
 Northern Michigan University
 Oakland University*
 Ohio Northern University
 Ohio State University*
 Olivet College*
 Parsons New School for Design*
 Purdue University
 Rochester College

Rutgers University*
 Santa Clara University
 School of Art Institute of Chicago
 Seton Hall University
 Spring Arbor University
 Stevens Institute of Technology*
 St. John's University
 Swarthmore College
 Syracuse University
 Temple University
 Thomas More College of the Liberal Arts
 Tiffin University*
 University of Akron
 University of Alabama*
 University of Chicago*
 University of Cincinnati*
 University of Delaware
 University of Detroit Mercy*
 University of Illinois – Urbana Champaign
 University of Maryland
 University of Michigan - Ann Arbor*
 University of Michigan - Dearborn*
 University of Missouri – Kansas City
 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
 University of Ohio
 University of Miami
 University of Pennsylvania
 University of Pittsburgh*
 University of San Diego
 University of Southern California
 University of Vermont
 University of Virginia
 University of Washington Seattle
 Vanderbilt University*
 Warsaw University of Technology
 Wayne State University*
 Wesleyan University
 Western Michigan University*
 Yale*
 Xavier University*

IB Diploma Results for the UAIS Class of 2018

May 2018 Diploma Success Rate for UAIS Diploma Candidates by GPA Quartile (90 students)

GPA	4.30-4.2	4.19-4.08	4.07-3.95	3.94-3.54
# of students (90)	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 2015 Worldwide Pass Rate	79.3%			

May 2018 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 2015 Worldwide Mean Score	30.2			

International Baccalaureate (IB) Full Diploma Program Curriculum

The IB curriculum is at the heart of the UAIS. Modeled by the following diagram, 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 our students graduate with 32.



Utica Community Schools Minimum Graduation Requirements for Class of 2019	Utica Academy for International Studies Area Requirements for Class of 2019
English Language Arts (4 credits)	English Language Arts (4 Credits)
Mathematics (4 credits)	Mathematics (4 Credits)
Science (3 credits)	Science (5 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 SL/HL
- IB FRENCH II SL/HL
- SPANISH I
- SPANISH II
- IB SPANISH I SL/HL
- IB SPANISH II SL/HL
- JAPANESE I
- JAPANESE II
- IB JAPANESE I SL/HL
- IB JAPANESE II SL/HL

GROUP 3: INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETIES

- HISTORY OF WORLD CIVILIZATIONS*
- AP WORLD HISTORY*
- ECONOMICS
- PSYCHOLOGY I and II HL/SL
- IB PSYCHOLOGY I and II HL/SL
- US GOVERNMENT
- IB HIST OF 20TH CENTURY SL/ HL*
- IB HISTORY OF AMERICAS 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 AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

- GEOMETRY*
- ACC ALGEBRA II*
- AP STATISTICS
- IB MATH STUDIES 1 (Alg II/Pre Calc) SL
- IB MATH STUDIES 2 (Pre-Calc/Trig) SL
- 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 (Discrete Math/Analytical Geom/Differential Equations/Sets & Group Theory/Linear Algebra)

GROUP 6: THE ARTS*

- THEATRE ARTS I
- THEATRE ARTS II
- IB THEATRE I SL/HL
- IB THEATRE II SL/HL
- BAND
- INSTRUMENTAL SOLO & ENSEMBLE
- VOCAL SOLO & ENSEMBLE
- IB MUSIC 1 SL/HL
- IB MUSIC 2 SL/HL
- IB VISUAL ARTS 1 SL/HL
- IB VISUAL ARTS 2 SL/HL
- ART FOUNDATISTUDIO 2D 3D
- ADVANCED STUDIO ART

THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE

- IB THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE 11/12*

OTHER COURSES

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