



# SCHOOL PROFILE 2021 - 2022

Code: CEEB 945260

The Uruguayan American School (UAS) is a private college preparatory day school enrolling approximately 320 students from Nursery through Grade 12. It was established in 1958 by a group of Uruguayan and U.S. citizens residing in Montevideo. The school is located on a three-hectare campus in the eastern Montevideo suburb of Carrasco. Facilities include an elementary and a secondary wing, a large library, computer labs, a Design Lab, fully equipped science laboratories, two gymnasiums and fitness center, outdoor sports fields, an auditorium, and a cafeteria. As a member of the South American Activities Conference (SAAC), UAS participates in athletics and fine arts tournaments with six other international schools in the region.

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## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

23% of students in the High School are United States citizens. 28% are Uruguayan citizens. 49% are third-country nationals from 18 countries. The average class size in academic courses is 11.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM

High School students study a U.S. curriculum in Grades 9 and 10 and the International Baccalaureate program in Grades 11 & 12. Each class meets 240 minutes a week, 180 days a year, split into 2 semesters. The language of instruction is English. To graduate, students must earn 28 credits.

## ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS

UAS offers three accredited programs of study, including the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB). We are fully accredited by the U.S. accrediting body New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and by the Uruguayan Ministry of Education's Secondary School Education Council (ANEP-CODICEN).

## THE INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Students in Grade 12 participate in an internship experience of their choice. As part of the graduation requirement, students must complete 60 hours, a reflection journal, and a presentation for their internship. Students may intern in Uruguay or other countries. UAS students have completed internships at embassies, United Nations agencies, technology, financial and marketing firms, and a wide range of other organizations.

## THE OUTDOOR EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

Each year High School students embark on a four-day trip with their grade-level classmates to explore a different part of Uruguay. The format ensures that all students have an outdoor experience, become more familiar with Uruguayan flora, fauna, and culture, and build closer connections with their classmates. All of the trips have adventure, environmental education, and service components.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS / COURSES OFFERED

CONTENT AREA	CREDITS REQUIRED	COURSES OFFERED
English	4 credits	HS/MS English, IB English Literature & Language/Literature, IB English B, Writing Lab
Social Studies	3 credits	HS/MS History, IB History
Mathematics	4 credits	MS Math, Algebra II, Geometry, IB Math Analysis & Approaches/Applications & Interpretations
Sciences	3 credits	HS/MS Biology, IB Biology, Lab Science, MS Science, IB Physics/Chemistry/Biology
Foreign Language/Spanish	4 credits	HS/MS Spanish Language/Literature, IB Spanish, IB Spanish ab initio, MS/HS Portuguese, IB Portuguese
Technology	1 credit	MS Digital Literacy, Introduction to IT, Web Development, DTM, IB Computer Science & ITGS
Fine/Performing Arts	1 credit	IB Art, HS/MS Art, HS/MS Music, HS/MS Music, HS/MS Drama
Physical Education	1.5 credits	Physical Education, Fitness
Health	0.5 credits	HS Health, MS Healthy Living
Electives	6 credits	Additional courses at UAS, online or Independent Study, Integrated Uruguayan Program

### ATHLETICS

UAS offers soccer, basketball, volleyball, and swimming to students. Additionally, our students host and travel to participate in the South American Activities Conference Tournaments all over South America.

### VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

UAS offers courses in music, drama, and visual arts. Besides, our students travel to participate in the South American Arts Conference collaborating and working with participating schools. They are given the opportunity to explore their talents and deepen their knowledge in each discipline.

### CO-CURRICULARS

Leadership roles within the school are open to students serving on the Student Council (STUCO) and National Honor Society (NHS). We also offer after-school activities including: Environmental Club, Yearbook/Student Life, Volleyball, Basketball, Soccer, Robotics, Swim Team, Gymnastics, Homework Club, Constitutional Law.

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

In 2013 UAS was authorized to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB). The IB is a rigorous two-year pre-university course of study designed to develop students who are knowledgeable, inquiring, and caring, and who foster intercultural understanding and respect. Each student chooses three courses at the Higher Level and three at the Standard Level in addition to the Theory of Knowledge, CAS, and Extended Essay requirements. Courses offered include English Literature, English Language and Literature, Spanish Literature, Language B: English, Spanish and Portuguese, History, ITGS, Economics, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics (Applications and Interpretation, Analysis and Approaches), and Visual Arts. The first Diploma class was the Class of 2015.

	% of Grade as Diploma Candidates	Candidates that earned the IB Diploma	Bilingual Diplomas
2019	79%	79%	63%
2020	42%	100%	80%
2021	67%	100%	83%

## INTEGRATED URUGUAYAN PROGRAM

In 1999, an agreement between the Uruguayan education authorities and the United States government established the Integrated Uruguayan Program, the only one of its kind in the country. UAS students may choose to take five courses taught in Spanish-History, Law, Sociology, AP Spanish Language, and IB Spanish Literature - and graduate with both a U.S. high school diploma and the prerequisites to continue university studies in Uruguay.

**RANK:** Our student population is complex with regard to language, culture, and scholastic background. Our graduating classes are small. Therefore, we do not rank our students.

### GRADING SYSTEM

GPA	PERCENTAGES	GPA	PERCENTAGES
4.00 = A+	100 - 98	2.00 = C	76 - 73
4.00 = A	97 - 93	1.67 = C-	72 - 70
3.67 = A-	92 - 90	1.33 = D+	69 - 67
3.33 = B+	89 - 87	1.00 = D	66 - 63
3.00 = B	86 - 83	0.67 = D-	62 - 60
2.67 = B-	82 - 80	0.00 = F	59 - 0
2.63 = C+	79 - 77		

### Class of 2021

18 students from 10 countries

### Average Scores

SAT 2020  
644 Reading and Writing  
638 Math

## SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS

The class of 2021 (18 students) received \$ 924,000 in scholarship offers.

## UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES

A selective list of university acceptances from Classes of 2019-2021.

### NORTH AMERICA

#### UNITED STATES

American University  
Boston University  
Brown University  
Columbia University  
Duke University  
Drexel University  
George Washington University  
Lehigh University  
Ohio State University  
Northwestern University  
Purdue University  
Rice University  
Tufts University  
Tulane University  
University of California, San Diego  
University of Miami  
University of North Carolina, Wilmington  
University of Vermont  
University of Virginia  
Vanderbilt University

#### CANADA

Carleton University  
Concordia University  
McMasters University  
Ryerson University  
University of Toronto  
University of Ottawa  
University of Victoria  
University of British Columbia

### EUROPE

#### UNITED KINGDOM

King's College London  
Loughborough University  
Nottingham University  
University of Bristol  
University of Edinburgh  
University of Glasgow  
University of Manchester  
University College London

#### ITALY

John Cabot University, Rome

#### NETHERLANDS

University of Groningen  
University of Amsterdam  
University HAN of Applied Sciences

#### SPAIN

IE Business School  
Marbella International University  
Centre, Marbella

#### SWITZERLAND

Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne  
Les Roches International School  
of Hotel Management

### LATIN & SOUTH AMERICA

#### ARGENTINA

Instituto Tecnológico de Buenos Aires  
Universidad Católica Argentina

#### URUGUAY

Universidad de la República (UdelaR)  
Universidad ORT Uruguay  
Universidad de Montevideo