

BRILLANTMONT International School

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Cambridge International Examinations: CH 140

Brillantmont is accredited by: the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)
the Council of International Schools (CIS)

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SCHOOL PROFILE 2014-2015

School

Established in 1882, Brillantmont International School is a member of the Swiss Federation of Private Schools and is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and the Council of International Schools (CIS). It is an international School enrolling approximately 150 students representing 36 different nationalities. It is a co-educational school for boarding and day students between the ages of 11-18 years. Students benefit from a rigorous academic curriculum, a rich cultural life and an active sports program which is enhanced by the special family atmosphere of the school.

Community

Lausanne, a French-speaking city of 250,000 inhabitants, has a rich historical past and is located on the shore of Lake Geneva. The city plays a leading role in the fields of education, culture, tourism, sports and economics. In response to the needs of a large population of young people, Lausanne boasts a great variety of schools at all levels and with a world-wide reputation. Brillantmont International School students benefit from a wide range of sports facilities and cultural events and are encouraged to visit interactive museums, art galleries, theatres and to attend concerts, operas and multicultural events

Faculty

The school faculty has 30 professional staff representing 10 nationalities. There is a faculty / student ratio of 1 to 4 with an average class size of 15.

Philosophy

Brillantmont International School encourages students to realize their potential in a supportive environment.

Test Centre

Brillantmont International School is a recognised Test Centre for the following examinations: PSAT; Advanced Placement; IGCSE; AS and A Level examinations. Students are also entered for the US College Board examinations: SAT 1; SAT 2 ; TOEFL; the British Council IELTS examinations and the ALTE examinations: EFL-Key English Test; Preliminary English Test; First Certificate in English; DELF examinations; German examinations of the Goethe Institut; Spanish examinations of the Instituto Cervantes & Universidad de Salamanca; Italian examinations of the Università per Stranieri, Perugia.

Guidance

College and Career guidance is offered to all students and counseling is available to assist students with academic and personal problems.

Curriculum

Brillantmont offers internationally recognized academic programmes which challenge and stimulate students of all ages. They provide access to top-ranking universities across the world.

The Middle School programme of studies (6th to 8th Grade) is designed to meet the needs of international 11 to 14 year olds and covers a broad range of subjects. After Middle School the students enter High School (9th to 12th Grade). Personalised timetables enable them to develop their strengths and interests, keeping in view their future university choices / career plans. Students in 9th and 10th Grade follow a selection of courses which cover a solid range of subjects. In 11th and 12th Grade the courses extend and build on students' subject knowledge. They can focus on subjects in which they are particularly interested and which they may wish to pursue further at university.

Throughout the High School, students have the opportunity to prepare for external, internationally recognized examinations : IGCSE / AS / A Level examinations (Cambridge International Examinations); PSAT , SAT , SAT Subject Tests, AP Examinations (US College Board); European Language Examinations.

Requirements for a High School Diploma

Brillantmont International School offers a traditional college preparatory curriculum leading to a High School Diploma. To graduate a student must complete at least 20 academic credit courses including :

4 English	2 Social Science
3 Mathematics	1 Fine Arts
3 Science	Proficiency in one Foreign Language

A sufficient number of electives must be followed in order to obtain at least 20 credits in all. In addition to the 20 academic credits, a minimum IBT score of 79 or an IELTS score of 6.5 is required of all foreign student who wish to receive a graduation diploma. The students whose IBT (or equivalent) score lies between 60 and 78 (IELTS 6.0) will receive a graduation certificate.

Up until June 2015

A "diploma with distinction" is awarded to a student who has met all graduation requirements and has maintained , throughout their High School

- A pass in all subject areas
- A minimum overall year average of 8.0 or above

A "diploma with merit" is awarded to a student who has met all graduation requirements and has maintained, throughout their High School

- A pass in all subjects
- A minimum overall year average of 7.0 or above

From September 2015

A "diploma with distinction" is awarded to a student who has met all graduation requirements and has maintained , throughout their High School

- A pass in all subject areas
- A minimum overall year average of A-

A "diploma with merit" is awarded to a student who has met all graduation requirements and has maintained, throughout their High School

- A pass in all subject areas
- A minimum overall year average of B-



Grading System

Up until June 2015

Brilliantmont International School uses a 1 – 10 scale where 10 is the highest grade and 1 the lowest. Although the internal passing grade is 6.0, students who are following external examination courses, need to be averaging at least 7.0 to achieve success in the external examination.

<u>Brilliantmont</u>	<u>US equivalent</u>	<u>IGCSE / AS / AL equivalent</u>
10 – 9.0	A+, A	A*, A
8.9 – 8.0	A-, B+	B
7.9 – 7.0	B, B-	C
6.9 – 6.0	C+, C-	D,
Below 6.0	No credit	F, G, U

From September 2015

Brilliantmont International School uses a A+ to F scale where grades are reported using a letter ranging from A+ to F. Thresholds based on international criteria and standards are used to generate letter grades. Further clarification is given by an indication of the strength of the grade through plus and minus signs for example a student may be awarded a grade B+, B or B-. An E represents the lowest grade needed for a credit to be awarded, failing grades are indicated with an F. A+ is the highest grade and F the lowest.

Class of 2015

29 students total in the class 2015, 80% spoke English as a second language

100% attended college or university; 24 % in the US/Canada, 69% in Europe, 7% other.

2014 – 2015 SAT Scores

SAT

19 students took 26 SAT's

Math	Mean : 480
	Median : 480
Reading	Mean : 390
	Median : 400
Writing	Mean : 380
	Median : 400

Subject Tests

17 students took 44 subject tests

	Mean
French (reading only)	500
French (with listening)	620
Math Level 1	540
Italian (reading only)	620
Spanish (reading only)	630
Spanish (with listening)	730
Literature	450
Japanese (with listening)	780
Chinese (with listening)	750
Physics	470
US History	360

June 2015 AS Level Exam Results

Scores	A	B	C	D	E
#	18	7	10	16	8

43 students took 11 AS exams; 79% of scores E or above, 46% C or above, 23% scored the highest result, A

June 2015 A Level Exam Results

Scores	A*	A	B	C	D	E
#	1	8	20	19	10	3

24 students took 12 AL exams; 97% of scores E or above, 76% C or above, 14% scored A* or A

University and College Acceptances 2013-15

USA

American University, Washington
 Ashville University, NC
 Boston University
 Colorado College
 Concordia University, Irvine CA
 Northeastern University (2)
 NYU – New York University
 Pace University (2)
 Parsons The New School, NY (2)
 Pepperdine University
 RISD – Rhode Island School of Design
 SCAD – Savannah College of Art & Design
 State University of Colorado
 St. Olaf College, Minnesota
 Tulane University
 University of Colorado at Boulder
 University of Massachusetts
 University of Miami (1)

Canada

Concordia University
 Dawson College
 McGill University
 University of Waterloo

France

AUP, Paris (2)
 Université de Montpellier

Japan

ICU – International
 Christian University
 Sofia University (2)

Switzerland

EHL - Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne (5)
 EPFL, Lausanne
 Franklin College, Lugano (2)
 Glion Hotel School (6)
 Les Roches, Hotel School
 UniF – University of Fribourg
 UniG - University of Geneva (5)
 UniL - University of Lausanne (13)

UniNE – University of Neuchâtel
 University of St. Gallen

United Kingdom

Arts University, Bornemouth (2)
 Bath University (2)
 Birbeck, London
 Birmingham University
 Brunel University (2)
 City University (2)
 Durham University
 Edinburgh University
 European Business School, London
 Exeter University (2)
 Glasgow University
 Goldsmith, London
 Hult University (3)
 Kings College, London (4)
 Lancaster University
 Leeds University (2)
 Liverpool University (2)
 Loughborough University
 LSE - London School of Economics (4)
 Manchester University (2)

Newcastle University (2)
 New School of the Humanities (3)
 Oxford Brookes University (2)
 Queen Mary University (2)
 Reading University (3)
 Roehampton University
 Royal Holloway, London (2)
 Royal Veterinary College, London
 SOAS, London
 St. Andrews University
 Stirling University
 Sussex University
 UAL – University of The Arts, London (5)
 University College London (5)
 University of Kent (6)
Other
 Boconi University, Milan (2)
 College of international Studies, Madrid
 ESADE Business School, Barcelona

