**BRUSSELS AMERICAN SCHOOL**

**2016-2017 College Admission Profile**

**About Brussels American School**

For over forty-five years, Brussels American School has provided the highest quality of education to its internationally diverse student body and is the only American curriculum secondary school in Belgium. The Brussels American School campus is situated on 17-acres of landscaped grounds in Sterrebeek, Belgium, a suburb of Brussels. The school enjoys its close proximity to “the capital of Europe”, which offers students access to the institutions of the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, as well as the historical and cultural sites throughout Belgium and Europe. Brussels American School is a Department of Defense Education Activity and is fully accredited by AdvancED.



The student body is primarily made up students from diplomatic and military families. In addition to American students, students from more than 25 countries have attended in the past three years. Currently, we have students from Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Macedonia, Malaysia, Montenegro, Poland, Serbia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, the United States, and Uzbekistan.

Brussels American School’s small enrollment provides a distinct advantage for its students. With 84 high school students and an average graduating class of around 20, our students enjoy a high degree

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of close, personal contact with teachers and staff, creating a family-like atmosphere. Nonetheless, our course offerings compare favorably to the curriculum of larger schools in the United States and abroad. Brussels American School has 35 full time teachers, 78% of who hold advanced degrees. There is one full time guidance counselor.

**Tuition**

The majority of our students attend tuition free as dependents of members of the United States Government serving in Belgium. Other students pay tuition and fees of $23,447 per academic year.

**Athletics and Activities**

Brussels American School offers athletic competition through its 16 sports teams. Teams compete against other similarly situated schools in Belgium, England, Germany, the Netherlands, and Italy. In addition to athletics, Brussels American School sponsors an annual theatrical production, concerts, dances, and more than 20 student-run clubs and organizations. Most of our students participate in athletics and extra-curricular activities. Several students also participate in volunteer work in the local community. Many of our students perform a summer community service projects in Eastern Europe through a local organization.

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**Grade Point Average**

Grades are computed using the following scale:

A Excellent 90-100 4.0

B Good 80-89 3.0

C Average 70-79 2.0

D Poor 60-69 1.0

F Failure 0-59 0.0

AP courses are weighted 1.0

The average weighted grade point average of the 2016 graduating class was 3.50. First semester grades will be available on January 20, 2017.

**Class Rank**

Brussels American School does not rank its students until the final semester of senior year.

**Graduation requirements**

Brussels American School requires its students to complete 26 Carnegie Unit Credits, including a minimum of:

Language Arts 4 Credits

Mathematics 4 Credits

Science 3 Credits

Social Studies 3 Credits

Foreign Language 2 Credits

Career/Technical Ed 2 Credits

Physical Education 1.5 Credits

Fine Arts 1 Credits

Health Education .5 Credits

Electives 6 Credits

**Advance Placement**

Brussels American School offers 9 Advanced Placement courses on campus. Five additional AP courses are available through distance learning.

Offered at **BAS**:

Calculus AB Chemistry

English Lang English Lit

Physics 1 Physics 2

Studio Art/Drawing US History

World History

Offered **DoDEA** **Virtual School**:

Computer Sci A Art History

Calculus BC Statistics

Biology Environmental Sci

US Govt German Lang

Psychology Spanish Lang

**AP Scores**

94% of our AP students scored a 3 or higher on the exams 2016

**Standardized testing**

Brussels American School consistently scores higher when compared to other Department of Defense Education Activity Schools on standardized testing.

Over the past four years, our students averaged the following SAT scores:

Year Reading Math Writing

2015-16 574 545 580

2014-15 558 539 546

2013-14 566 559 557

2012-13 541 560 541

2011-12 566 572 545

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| **Our Graduates**  More than 90% of our multicultural graduates attend a 4-year college. A ***sample*** of colleges at which our recent graduates have matriculated include:  University of San Francisco, Berry College, Brigham Young University, Catholic University of Leuven Belgium, Drexel University, Delph University (Netherlands), Harvey Mudd College, Hogeschool Universiteit Brussels, Indiana State University, Louisiana State University, Northeastern University, Penn State University, Texas Christian University, Texas A&M, University of California at Davis, University of California at Los Angeles, University of Colorado at Boulder, University of New Hampshire, University of Maryland at College Park, University of Montana, University of Virginia, United States Coast Guard Academy, United States Military Academy, United States Naval Academy, US Air Force Academy, Utrecht University in the Netherlands, and Washington & Lee University. |  |  |  |  |
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**Accreditation**

AdvancED Accreditation

April 2015 – June 2020

Score of 330.81

Highest score for DoDEA schools in 2015