



**BISHOP MACKENZIE**  
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

# School Profile

## 2023 - 2024

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### Mission

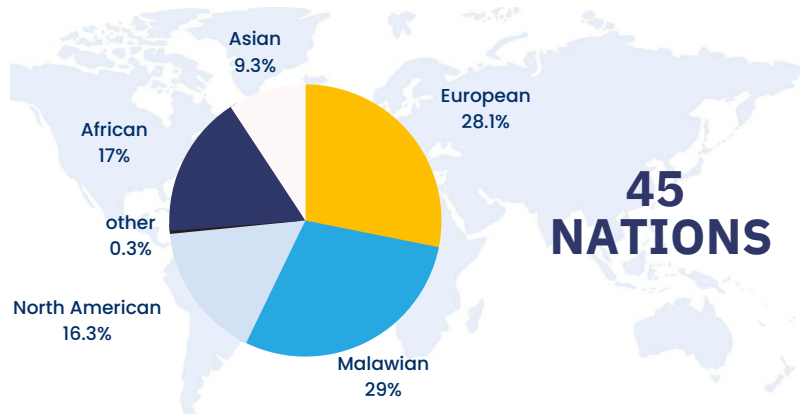
**We are a diverse and welcoming community in a joyful learning environment that promotes well-being, sustainability, and inclusivity and celebrates growth as success.**

### School and Community

Bishop Mackenzie International School is an English-medium private, non-profit co-educational day school founded in 1944 that has grown to provide an education to around 600 students in the primary and secondary schools from Pre-K to Grade 12). BMIS is an authorized IB Continuum World School offering the PYP, MYP and DP programmes.

We believe in a holistic, family-oriented approach to education and value both academic rigour and personal development for our students. We offer a comprehensive choice of programs and real-world opportunities for our students, ensuring that our students succeed well beyond their time at BMIS.

### WHERE OUR STUDENTS COME FROM



**HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY 33** From **15 Countries** **100%** certified teachers **9:1** student to teacher ratio

### High School Courses 2023/2024

<b>Language and Literature</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP English A Language &amp; Literature</li> <li>English A Language &amp; Literature SL, HL, HSD</li> <li>English A Literature SL, HL</li> <li>Self Taught Language A Literature SL</li> </ul>	<b>Mathematics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP Mathematics (Standard)</li> <li>MYP Mathematics (Extended)</li> <li>Analysis and Approaches SL, HL</li> <li>Applications and Interpretation SL, HSD</li> </ul>
<b>Language Acquisition</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP Language Acquisition French</li> <li>MYP Language Acquisition Spanish</li> <li>MYP Language Acquisition English</li> <li>English B SL, HL</li> <li>French B SL, HL</li> <li>Language B: English, French, Spanish</li> <li>Spanish <i>ab Initio</i> SL, HSD</li> </ul>	<b>The Arts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP Arts: Music</li> <li>MYP Arts: Theatre</li> <li>MYP Arts: Visual Arts</li> <li>Theatre SL, HL, HSD</li> <li>Visual Arts SL, HL, HSD</li> </ul>
<b>Individuals and Societies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP Individuals and Societies</li> <li>Business Management SL, HL, HSD</li> <li>Environmental Systems and Societies SL</li> <li>Global Politics SL, HL</li> </ul>	<b>Design</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP Design</li> <li>Design Technology SL, HL, HSD</li> </ul>
<b>Sciences</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP Sciences (Integrated)</li> <li>MYP Chemistry</li> <li>MYP Biology</li> <li>MYP Physics</li> <li>Biology SL, HL</li> <li>Chemistry SL, HL</li> <li>Physics SL, HL</li> <li>Sports, Exercise and Health Science SL, HL</li> </ul>	<b>Physical Education</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MYP Physical and Health Education</li> </ul>
<b>MYP/DP/HSD Core</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Career Skills Course HSD</li> <li>Extended Project Qualification HSD</li> <li>MYP Personal Project</li> <li>MYP Service as Action</li> <li>DP Creativity, Activity, Service</li> <li>DP Extended Essay</li> <li>DP Theory of Knowledge</li> </ul>	

BMIS students may also take the following IB courses through Pamoja Online: French *ab initio* SL, Mandarin *ab initio* SL, Spanish *ab initio* SL, Spanish B SL, Economics SL/HL, ITGS SL/HL, Philosophy SL, Psychology SL/HL, Mathematics Applications and Interpretation HL, Film SL.

### Accreditation

BMIS is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and by the Council of International Schools (CIS), and is authorized by the IBO for the PYP, MYP, and DP, and by Pearson for our Extended Project Qualification.

### Academic Programs

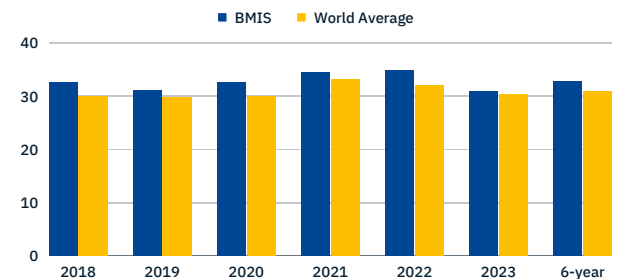
BMIS has three college-prep pathways, all of which include a BMIS High School Diploma (HSD) accredited by NEASC. The majority of our students study the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (DP), while a smaller number take the IB Diploma Courses Program (DCP).

Within these programmes, students choose a selection of courses and core components that best suit their strengths and aspirations. What we want is for students' experiences in the DP or DCP to be healthy and positive while maximizing academic achievement.

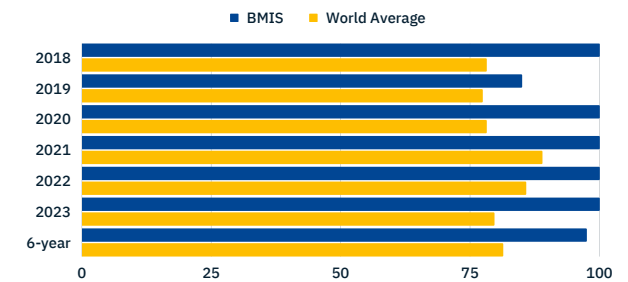
To this end, finding the best fit for each student is crucial. Students not taking the DP or DCP pathway are in the High School Diploma Program, and they choose at least five HSD or IBDP courses, one of which may be the Career Skills Course, and all are expected to complete the Extended Program Qualification (certified by Pearson).

### Student Performance

#### Average IB Diploma Scores 2018-2023



#### IB Diploma % Pass Rate 2018-2023



### Graduation Requirements

The BMIS HSD is a four-year pre-university qualification for all students in Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12. Students gain 1 credit by achieving a 3-7 on their end-of-year report or 1.5 credits for 3-7 in IB DP HL subjects only. Graduation requirements:

- 12 credits by the end of Grade 10
- 22 credits by the end of Grade 12
- Completion of the MYP Service as Action Programme in Grade 10 and CAS in Grade 12

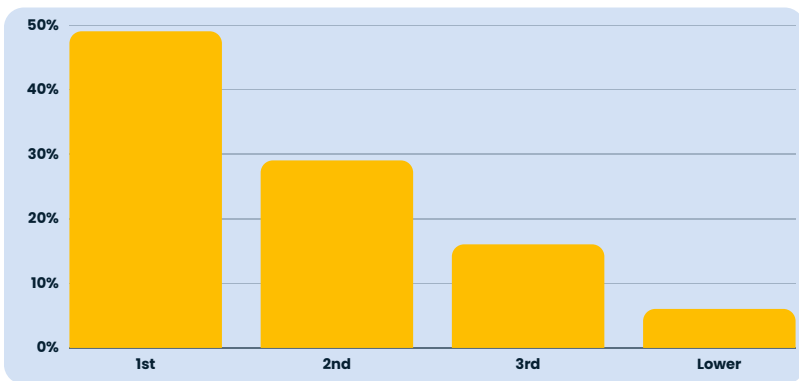


**Class Rank:** BMIS does not rank students.  
**GPA:** BMIS does not calculate a GPA for our students.

University Acceptances

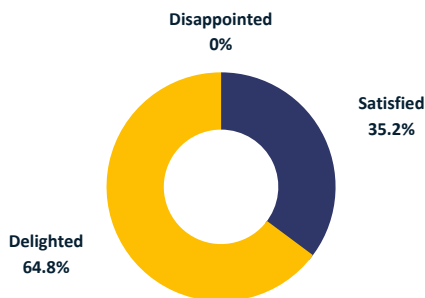


# 1st - 3rd Choice Universities Acceptances



## Student Satisfaction

Over the last three years, 49% of BMIS graduates have been accepted into their first choice university course, with 94% being accepted into at least one of their top three choices. When all BMIS graduates were asked how they felt about the universities and courses they were accepted in (either delighted, satisfied or disappointed), precisely 0% were disappointed. When asked where the course they chose to attend ranked in the world, 88% of students confirmed it was in the top 100 in its field.



Extra-Curricular Opportunities

- ### Academic
- Biology Support
  - Chemistry Support
  - College Counseling
  - English Support
  - ESS Support
  - French Support
  - Mathematics Support
  - Physics Support
  - Spanish Support

- ### Athletics
- Athletics
  - Basketball
  - Flag Football
  - Football (Soccer)
  - Netball
  - Running
  - Rugby
  - Taekwondo
  - Ultimate Frisbee
  - Volleyball

- ### The Arts
- Card Making
  - Cheerleading
  - Chess
  - Community Choir
  - Creative Writing
  - Theatre Productions
  - Open Bands
  - Outdoor Murals
  - Sculpture Making

- ### Health and Wellbeing
- Chill Skills
  - Conversations and Coloring
  - Mindful Coloring
  - Strength and Conditioning
  - Wake and Shake
  - Yoga

- ### Service and Leadership
- Communi-tech
  - Community Reading
  - Community Painting
  - Duke of Edinburgh
  - Eco-Aware (Student Garden)
  - Eco-Warriors
  - Health Awareness
  - Interact
  - Lilongwe Outreach
  - Model United Nations
  - Orphanage
  - SportSync
  - Umodzi (BMIS community spirit)

### International Opportunities

BMIS strives for excellence, joy and inclusion in our extra-curricular opportunities. We are a founding member of the South African International Schools Association (SAISA) athletic conference, compete in multiple Malawian sports leagues and competitions, and our students have received multiple awards for excellence regularly and recently at the yearly MUN East Africa conference in Nairobi and for service and excellence from AISA .

Partial listing of university acceptances

#### Republic of South Africa

- Rhodes University
- University of Cape Town
- University of Pretoria
- University of South Africa

#### Middle East

- Girls Medical College
- Gulf Medical College
- Middlesex University, Dubai
- New York University Abu Dhabi

#### Canada

- University of Alberta
- University of British Columbia
- University of Toronto
- York University

#### Europe

- American University of Madrid
- Amsterdam University
- College Delft
- Eindhoven University of Technology
- University of Brussels
- University College Roosevelt
- University of Trieste
- University of Zurich

#### United Kingdom

- Aston University
- Brighton University
- Bangor University
- Brunel University
- Cambridge University
- Cardiff University
- Durham University
- Manchester University
- Oxford University
- Queen Mary University
- Richmond –TAIU
- Sheffield Hallam University
- St. Andrews University
- St. Mary's University
- University of Bath
- University of Bradford
- University of Brighton
- University of Bristol
- Univ. of Coventry
- University of Derby
- University of Exeter
- University of Hertfordshire
- University of Leicester
- University of Loughborough
- University of Nottingham
- University of Sheffield
- University of Warwick
- University of West England
- Univ. of Westminster

#### United States of America

- Amherst College
- Bethany Lutheran College
- Boston University
- Brown University
- California State University
- Calvin College
- College of William & Mary
- College of Wooster
- Concordia University
- Florida Tech
- Hawaii Pacific
- Northeastern University
- Ohio Wesleyan University
- Smith College
- St. Edward's University
- St. John's University
- Trinity Christian College
- St. Joseph's College
- University of Chicago
- University of Denver
- University of LaVerne
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- University of Oregon
- University of Wisconsin - Madison
- Wellesley College