



COLEGIO INTERNACIONAL DE SAN SALVADOR

CISS SCHOOL PROFILE

Founded in 1979, Colegio Internacional de San Salvador (International School of San Salvador) is a privately-owned, educational institution which serves students from pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade. Utilizing a highly selective admissions process, the school is empowered to engage students with a rigorous college preparatory curriculum that requires each student to achieve a minimum average of 70% in order to receive course credit and ultimately earn either the Salvadoran or U.S. diploma.

Colegio Internacional is accredited locally by the Salvadoran Ministry of Education and by NEASC, which is based in the United States of America. A large majority of graduates continue their studies at a four-year college or university. Many pursue higher education at universities located in the United States or other countries, while others choose to continue their studies at one of the local universities. A list of universities attended by CISS graduates, as well as other pertinent information about the school can be found at www.ciss.edu.sv

Approximately 290 students from 30 different nations attend CISS. Approximately 50% of the students have a non-Salvadoran nationality, and several hold passports from multiple countries. Cultural diversity and cooperation permeate not only the social atmosphere, but also is a prime component of the school's mission to inspire a "diverse community of learners, committed to fostering compassionate, confident and socially responsible individuals who thrive in the world".

Graduation requirements for the U.S. diploma include successful completion of the following courses: English (grammar, composition and world literature: as well as American and British genres); social studies (World History, U.S. History, and Economics); sciences (Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics); mathematics (Algebra I and II, Geometry, and Precalculus); Spanish (grammar, composition, AP Spanish Language and Culture, and AP Spanish Literature); yearly physical education; technology skills, and four electives of the students' choice.

In addition to the U.S. High School Diploma, students may earn the Salvadoran Ministry of Education High School Diploma (Bachillerato) with a passing grade on the government high school examination (AVANZO), administered during the last semester of the 11th grade, and by completing all required courses. Nearly all Salvadoran students enrolled at CISS earn both diplomas. In addition to these academic expectations, the Ministry of Education, Science, and Technology (MINEDCYT) of El Salvador and Colegio Internacional de San Salvador require all graduates to complete 150 hours of community service during their sophomore and junior years of high school.

For the 2026-27 school year, CISS will offer Advanced Placement courses such as AP Psychology, AP Statistics, AP Pre-Calculus, AP Research, AP English Language and Composition, AP Human Geography, AP World History Modern Era, AP Comparative Government, AP Macroeconomics, AP Seminar, AP Spanish Language and Culture as well as AP Spanish Literature and Culture.

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