

# **WEST ISLAND SCHOOL**

# School Profile 2024/25

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## WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



**40+**Nationalities



Total day pupils



**EN**English medium institution

# **POST 16 INFORMATION**



Students in class of 2025



No ranking or G.P.A



Teacher: Student ratio



Mean IB point score



Attained 40+ IB points



5%

Awarded a bilingual IBDP

# **POST 16 LEADERSHIP**

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# **Post 16 Curriculum**

West Island is an inclusive school and offers four pathways to students for their final two years of study. The percentage of students following each pathway is shown below. In addition, all students complete a sports programme and Creativity Activity Service component to ensure a holistic approach to their learning.

# IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP)

Over two years students study 6 subjects, 3 at Higher Level and 3 at Standard Level. They also study Theory of Knowledge (TOK) and submit a 4000 word Extended Essay whilst participating in Creativity, Activity& Service (CAS).

# INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMA (ID)

Students study 1 BTEC Level 3 National Diploma and 1 Subsidiary Diploma. In addition, IB subjects and an Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) can also be undertaken.

Students study 1 BTEC Level 3 National Diploma and 2 or 3 IB subjects (at least one at Higher Level). Students also complete a 3000 word Reflective Project, Service Learning, Language Acquisition programme, and the personal and professional skills course.

## **EXTENDED ENGINEERING DIPLOMA**

Students study the BTEC National Level 3 Engineering Extended Diploma alongside one or two IB courses typically in Maths or Physics. This alternative pathway should be considered as rigorous as the IBDP. Some students may take a course combination that is seen as equivalent to 5 A-levels.

# **IB DIPLOMA COURSES**

**Group 1:** Chinese A Language & Literature, English A Literature,

English A Language & Literature, Self-taught First Language

Group 2: Chinese B, French B/Ab Initio, Spanish B/Ab Initio

Group 3: Business & Management, Economics, Geography, Global

Politics, History, Psychology, Environmental Systems & Societies

Group 4: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Design

Technology, Environmental Systems & Societies, Food Science and Technology, Physics, Sports, Exercise & Health Science

Group 5: Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches, Applications &

Interpretations.

Subject Briefings: https://shorturl.at/ftzEQ

**Group 6:** Film, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts. Core: Theory of Knowledge (TOK), Extended Essay (EE), Creativity,

Activity & Service (CAS).

	2024	2023	2022	Worldwide
Achieving a full IB Diploma	99%	100%	100%	80%
Mean point score	38	36	38	30
Achieving 35+ points	71%	65%	78%	35%
Achieving 40+ points	37%	30%	47%	11%



QR Code for Subject Briefings:

# WHAT IS BTEC?

BTEC qualifications are rigorous and flexible courses which require high standards and the additional ability to apply knowledge in real world contexts. The Level 3 Diploma is equivalent to 2 A-levels. A subsidiary diploma is equivalent to 1 A-level. The Extended Engineering Diploma is equivalent to 3 A-levels, exclusive of any additional IBDP certificates.

# **BTEC COURSES**

- 1. Business
- 2. Creative Media
- 3. Engineering
- 4. Sports & Exercise Science
- **5.Performing Arts**

Subject Briefings: https://shorturl.at/bMS38

BTEC	2024	2023	2022	UCAS Tariff Points
Distinction*	40%	54%	65%	56
Distinction	31%	27%	30%	48
Merit	22%	6%	5%	32
Pass	7%	13%	0%	16



# **Additional Information**

# **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (CAS)**

Over 100 activities are offered each term at West Island School, including 'Horizons Week' which involves service learning activities locally and worldwide. Other CAS activities are also offered at WIS, such as Debate Club, Sports & Drone Building.

# PRE-16 CURRICULUM

At pre-16 most students take 8-10 examination subjects in (i)GCSE. In addition, some students opt for Level 2 BTEC courses. Compulsory Subjects: English Language, World Literature, Mathematics (Foundation or Higher), Science - Double or Triple Award (Biology, Chemistry, Physics), or Combined Science an Integrated Science course for students not interested in further study of the sciences, and Languages (Foreign Language Chinese, French or Spanish and First Language Chinese).

Optional Subjects: Business Studies, Economics, Geography, History, Psychology, Philosophy & Religion, Art & Design: Fine Arts, Art & Design: Textiles, Computer Science, Dance, Design & Technology, Drama, Music, BTEC Digital Design, Food Technology, BTEC Engineering, BTEC Multimedia Production, Physical Education.

#### NO RANKING

West Island School does not rank its students nor use Grade Point Average. School transcripts reflect students' grades from Year 10 to 13, or from when they begin their time at West Island School.

#### **APPLICATION POLICY**

Students can submit 8 applications.

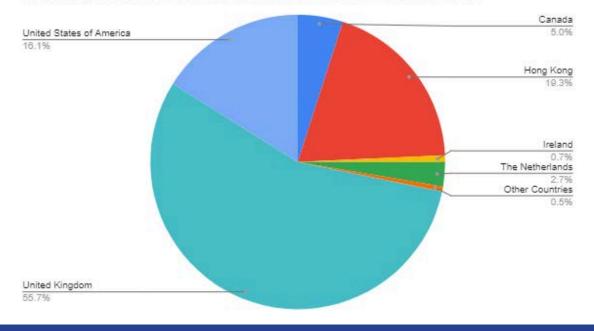
- \*UCAS counts as 1 application
- \*\*University of California counts as 1 application

# **UPDATED:** Reading the WIS Transcript

West Island School's Transcript Grades are a combination of teacher evaluations that are aligned with exam board marking criteria and the finals grades awarded by the external examination boards. The School's Transcript includes four reported grades at the point of application:

- Year 10/Grade 9: Working at Grades WIS teachers assign a grade that describes the student's current level of performance against the expectations of their IGCSE/BTEC courses.
- Year 11/Grade 10: Official awarded grades on BTEC and IGCSE courses as awarded by Pearson/ Edexcel/Cambridge
- Year 12/Grade 11: WIS teachers assign the grade that they believe the student is most likely to achieve
  at the end of the course, based on their progress to date. At WIS it is not uncommon to see these Year
  12 Grades be awarded at somewhat lower levels than what is achieved for their final board-awarded
  marks that we receive from the IBO or Pearsons.
- Year 13/Grade 12: At the point of application WIS grades are predicted grades that teachers feel are the most likely grades for the May Exam session. The midterm grades are updated predicted grades.

# Distribution of Offers and Admissions 2023 and 2024



# **Recent University Admissions and Offers**

# **University Admissions/Offers for the Class of 2023 and 2024**

#### **Australia**

**Deakin University** Monash University University of Sydney

#### Canada

British Columbia Institute of Technology Capilano University Emily Carr University of Art and Design Langara College McGill University McMaster University **Mount Royal University** Ontario College of Art & Design Queen's University Sheridan College Simon Fraser University Toronto Metropolitan University **Trent University** University of Alberta University of British Columbia University of Calgary University of Guelph University of Ottawa University of Toronto University of Victoria University of Waterloo Western University

#### France

École des Hautes Etudes Commerciales du Nord École Supérieure des Sciences **Economiques et Commerciales** Business School

### **Hong Kong**

Chinese University of Hong Kong City University of Hong Kong Hong Kong Polytechnic University **HKU SPACE** Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Hong Kong Academy of Performing Arts Hong Kong Baptist University University of Hong Kong

Queen's University Belfast Royal College of Surgeons Trinity College Dublin University College Dublin

# Malaysia

Asia Pacific University

Queen Mary University of London, Malta

### The Netherlands

Amsterdam University of Applied **Delft University of Technology** Eindhoven University of **Technology** Erasmus University Fonty University of Applied Sciences Hague University of Applied Sciences

### **The Netherlands**

**HU University of Applied** Sciences Utrecht HZ University of Applied Sciences Leiden University Maastricht University Radboud University Rotterdam University of Applied Saxion University of Applied Sciences **Tilburg University** University College Maastricht University College Utrecht University of Amsterdam University of Groningen Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam **ZUYD** University of Applied Sciences

# **New Zealand**

University of Otago University of Waikato

#### **United Arab Emirates**

Middlesex University Dubai

# **United Kingdom**

**Aston University Bangor University** Birbeck, University of London Birmingham City University Bournemouth University Bristol, University of the West of **England** Brunel University London Cardiff Metropolitan University **Cardiff University** Central Film School City, University of London Coventry University **Durham University** Edge Hill University **Edinburgh Napier University Falmouth University** Glasgow Caledonia University Goldsmiths, University of Harper Adams University Harper and Keele Veterinary School Hartpury University Herriot-Watt University Hull York Medical School Imperial College London Keele University King's College London, University of London Kingston University Lancaster University Leeds Beckett University Liverpool John Moores University London Metropolitan University London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London Loughborough University Manchester Metropolitan University Middlesex University

Newcastle University

Northumbria University

# Singapore

LASALLE College of the Arts

#### **South Korea**

Sogang University

### **United Kingdom**

Norwich University of the Arts Nottingham Trent International College Nottingham Trent University Oxford Brookes University Queen Mary University London Regent's University London Royal Holloway, University of London Sheffield Hallam University SOAS University of London St George's University of London St Mary's University, Twickenham Staffordshire University Teeside University, Middlesbrough The Engineering & Design Institute London University Academy 92 University College London University for the Creative Arts University of Aberdeen University of the Arts London University of Bath University of Birmingham University of Bradford University of Brighton University of Bristol University of Canterbury University of Central Lancashire University of Derby University of Dundee University of East Anglia University of Edinburgh University of Essex University of Exeter University of Galway University of Glasgow University of Gloucestershire University of Hertfordshire University Huddersfield University of Kent University of Leeds University of Leicester University of Lincoln University of Liverpool University of Manchester University of Nottingham University of Oxford University of Plymouth University of Portsmouth University of Reading University of Sheffield University of Southampton University of St Andrews University of Surrey

**United States** Arizona State University Berklee College of Music Boston College **Boston University** California State University -California State University - Los Angels California State - Long Beach California State University -Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University Clemson University **Cornell University** De Anza College **Denison University** Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University **Emory University** Georgetown University Georgia institute of Technology Indiana University - Bloomington L3 Harris Academy Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge Loyola Marymount University Michigan State University Montclair State University New York University North Carolina State University -Raleigh Northwestern University Oregon State University Pennsylvania State University Purdue University Ringling College of Art and Design San Diego State University San José State University Savannah College of Art and Design Suffolk University **Tufts University** University of California - Berkeley University of California - Davis University of California - Irvine University of California - Los Angeles University of California - Merced University of California - Riverside University of California - San Diego University of California - Santa University of California - Santa Cruz

University of Colorado - Boulder University of Iowa

University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign

University of Massachusetts -**Amherst** 

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor University of Minnesota - Twin Cities University of North Texas

University of Oregon University of Pittsburgh University of San Francisco University of Southern California University of Texas - El Paso University of Virginia University of Washington - Seattle

University of Wisconsin - Madison Vanderbilt University

University of Sussex

University of York

University of Warwick

University of Westminster

University of Winchester