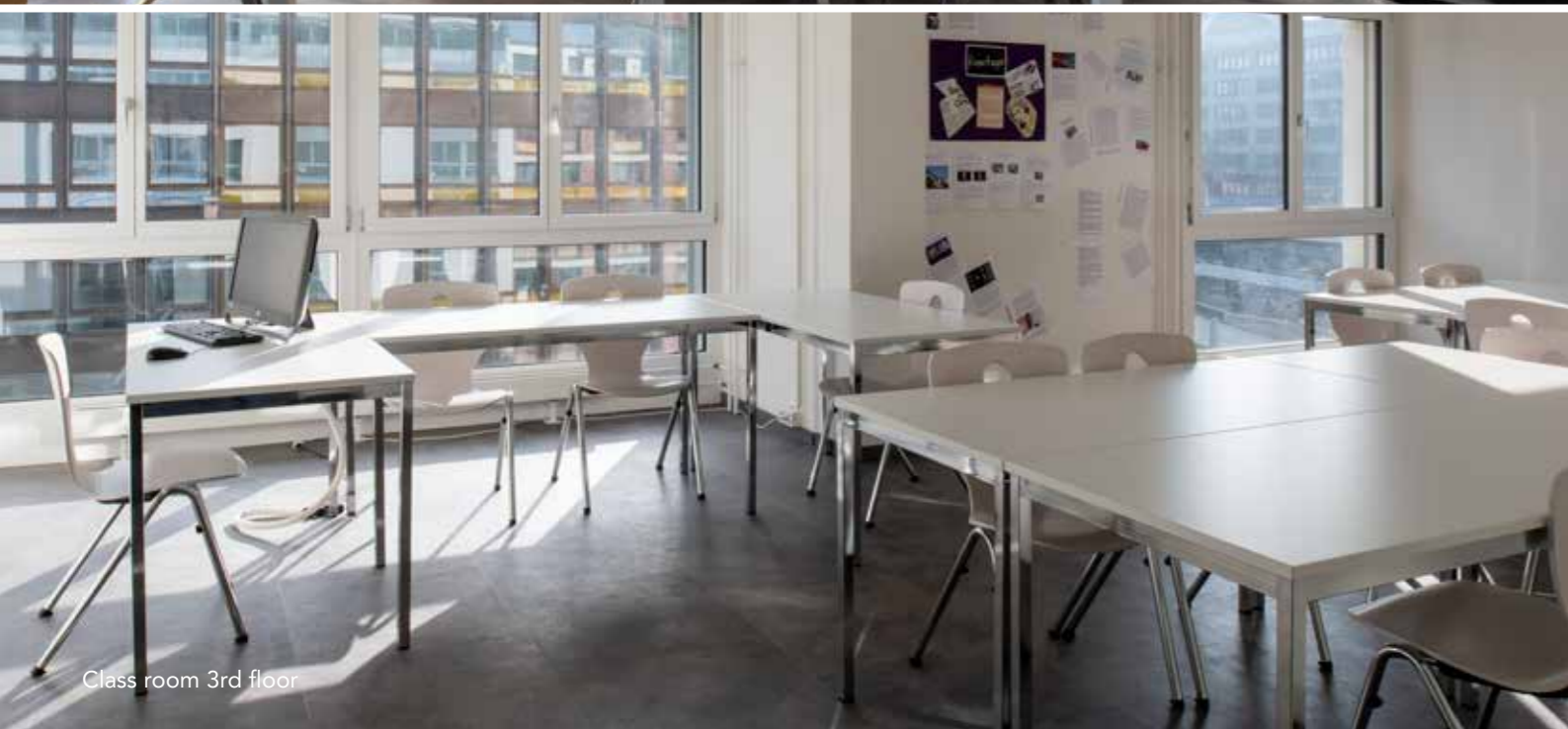




Recreation room / lounge



Laboratory



Class room 3rd floor

«I want to thank you for your help and warm encouragement throughout my time at Academia. I've been to many different schools, and honestly, Academia was my favorite. I always felt well-supported by all the teachers and staff and was able to progress quickly through interesting, challenging but fun lessons. The general atmosphere amongst the students was fantastic.»

Anna Cowen (USA), studies now Musicology and Korean at the Sheffield University

«Just want to promote my daughter's former school Academia International School. Being back in the American system has us really appreciating what a great experience it was for her. I would highly recommend this school for its program and more importantly its staff. We really miss it.»

Charity Lewis (USA)

«What makes Academia International School a stand-out place to work for me is that every single teacher and every single student work together to make a difference. We are a nimble school that can rise to any challenge we may face; and I love the fact that I am a part of it. Everyone at Academia International School is motivated, energetic, and fun to work with. We love what we do, and it shows in the strong relationships we have both within the teaching team and with our students.»

Bianca Müller (AUS/CH), English teacher Academia International School



Factsheet

Academia International
School Basel

Offer

Our mission is to provide a warm-hearted community where students feel safe to develop academic inquiry in a context underpinned by respect and care. We endeavor to provide a school community where all students reach their potential with a majority reaching academic excellence.

With International A Levels to University

Academia International School follows the British International Curriculum for

- ✔ Secondary school qualification (IGCSE)
- ✔ Advanced qualifications (A Levels)

Academia International School at a glance

Excellence in teaching

- ✔ Highly qualified international teaching staff
- ✔ Excellent examination results
- ✔ SEN and enrichment programmes

Preparation for life in an international world

- ✔ Leave after 2 years (YR10) with an internationally recognized qualification
- ✔ Leave after 4 years (YR12) with an internationally recognized advanced qualification
- ✔ Guidance on further and higher education

Building on individual strengths

- ✔ Broad range of subjects to choose from
- ✔ School counsellor
- ✔ Art and extracurricular activities
- ✔ English immersion programme
- ✔ German booster programme

A small school by design

- ✔ Small classes (average size 16)
- ✔ located in the city center – downtown school

Registration



Contact us

Contact us to arrange an admission meeting.



Admission meeting

The admission meeting gives us an opportunity to get to know the student and the family.



English assessment

Students who are not native English speakers must take an English assessment and reach a B1+ level in order to join our full programme.



Other assessments

All students wishing to join in grade 10 or 11 must take entry assessments in Maths and Science to ensure they are at the right level.



Report cards

We ask for school report cards and grades from previous schools.



Insight week

Students can register for non-binding trial days at our school.



Decision

Students, families and the school then decide whether our school is the right choice for the student.

School Day

IGCSE Programme

In Year 9 and 10 students follow the IGCSE curriculum of Cambridge Assessment International Education.

Academic subject	Weekly Enrichments
Double Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)	Lunchtime science review slots
English Language	
English Literature	
French	
Geography	
German	
German Booster	
History	History through drama and essay writing
Maths	

A Level Programme

In Year 11 and 12 students follow the advanced programme of Pearson Edexcel.

Academic subject	Weekly Enrichments
Biology	Lunchtime science review slots
Chemistry	
Physics	
Economics	
English Language and Linguistics	
French	
German	
History	Weekly history through drama and essay writing
Maths	

The Arts and Project Based Learning

We have several specialist art teachers who work closely with subject teachers to provide an extra layer to the curriculum through art and design. This means students are able to express their understanding of a topic through drawing, modelling, film, drama, painting or design construction. In addition to having visible application, this concept deepens learning and allows students who learn best through doing to better access the curriculum.

Electives and extracurricular activities

- ✔ ICT/Coding
- ✔ STEAM invention lab – students build robots and other mechanical devices
- ✔ Lifeskills – students learn how to budget, how to deal with stress, bullying and other situations in life
- ✔ Art – students work in our 7th floor art and creation space
- ✔ Prom and Events – students work under guidance of a staff member to plan end-of-year prom as well as lots of other events
- ✔ Student Council – students have a voice in school; they can work on initiatives, support charities or make suggestions for the school
- ✔ The Envoys – a group of students whose aim is to become student ambassadors and representatives of our school

German Booster

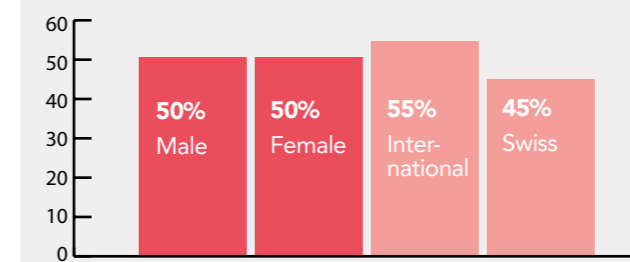
For students wishing to apply to Swiss universities or simply to integrate into the community more easily we offer a Swiss university track for an additional school fee.

The German Booster track means students will receive 5 German lessons a week: 3 lessons at A1 beginner level, which will progress to A2 level, and 2 lessons that follow the IGCSE syllabus.

Our Students

Students at Academia

We have a mixed student body. Our international students are from countries outside of Switzerland, including the UK, US, Italy, Germany, France, India, Japan, Russia and Pakistan.



A small school with high academic standards

Exam	Grade	2020 Results
IGCSE	B/5 +	81%
IGCSE	A +	34%
A Level	C+	96%
A Level	A+	33%

As in previous year, a number of students excelled in their exams in 2020 and are winners of the Pearson Edexcel prize for

- ✔ the highest mark in **the world for Advanced German**
- ✔ the highest mark in **Switzerland Science**
- ✔ the highest mark in **Switzerland in Advanced Maths**
- ✔ the highest mark in **Switzerland in English**

Recent graduate destinations

Great Britain

Cambridge University, Cardiff University, Durham University, Edinburgh University, Glasgow University, Liverpool University

USA

University of Massachusetts

Switzerland

ETH Zurich, University of Basel, University of St. Gallen

Our Staff

Experienced and caring staff

Our qualified subject specialists come from the UK, the US, Australia and Canada; teachers for modern languages teach in their mother tongue.

As an international school following an English-speaking curriculum many of our teachers have QTS (Qualified Teacher Status) and are experienced UK teachers. A high proportion of our teachers are educated to Master's level in education and we have several examiners on staff who know the IGCSEs and A Levels very well.

Aside from their experience and qualifications, one of the most important attributes is a sense of care and commitment.

Full time school counsellor

- ✔ Provides individual guidance to all students
- ✔ Forms individualised study plans for all students
- ✔ Provides relevant focus groups and workshops on important issues (social and emotional wellbeing)

Our partners

