



SCHOOL PROFILE

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The School

SEV American College (SAC) is owned by the Health and Education Foundation (SEV) and is based on the traditions, successes, and academic excellence of its sister institutions: Üsküdar American Academy, established in 1876; American Collegiate Institute of İzmir, established in 1878; Tarsus American College, established in 1888; SEV American College, established in 2014.

SAC is accredited by the Turkish Ministry of Education and is a member of and has applied for accreditation from the Council of International Schools. SAC is an accredited IB World School authorized to run the IB Diploma Programme.



The Faculty

Total Faculty: 86 full-time teachers with an average experience of 15.5 years. The percentage of foreign staff is 19%. Our faculty is composed of 69 Turkish, 8 American, 2 British, 2 Spanish, 1 Australian, 1 Italian, 1 Indian, 1 Colombian, and 1 Cameroonian teacher. 53 of our faculty hold a master's degree.

Our Students

Prep class students continuing their education after attending a SEV Middle School are accepted to SAC based on their Grade Point Averages (%75+), while others are accepted to SAC on the basis of a highly competitive national high school entry examination taken at the end of 8th grade by over one million students every year.

29% of our students are on a full or partial scholarship and 100% of our graduates move on to a four-year institution.

Total Students	590
Prep Students	110
9 th Grade Students	122
10 th Grade Students	131
11 th Grade Students	117
12 th Grade Students	110





Grade Distribution Scale of SAC

We do not rank our students at SEV American College. SAC follows the passing promotion system of the Turkish Ministry of Education. The passing grade is 50. Students who fail one or more courses take makeup exams. In order to graduate, a student must pass all courses. **GPAs on our transcripts are unweighted, i.e. IB SL or HL courses are not given any special weight.** A student's GPA is calculated on the basis of the grade and the number of periods each class meets per week.

Grading Scale

100 - 85%	Very Good
84.99 - 70%	Good
69.99% - 60%	Average
59.99% - 50%	Passing
49.99% - 0%	Failing

Distribution of Cumulative GPAs

GPA	Number	Percentage of class
95-100	9	8%
90-94	36	33%
85-89	28	25%
80-84	18	16%
75-79	9	8%
70-74	7	6%
65-69	2	2%
60-64	1	1%
59-	-	-
	110	





Testing

We offer PSAT to our 10th and 11th grade students and one IELTS to our 11th grade students. Taking SAT, ACT, SAT Subject Tests and TOEFL is optional at SAC and our students who plan to study abroad take them with their own efforts off campus. We hold preparatory electives at school to practice for SAT and AP Exams.

Results for the class of 2021

SAT (this year up until September 2020 only 36 of our students could take the exam, many of our students could not sit their March-May-August 2020 tests due to test center closings in SAT centers parallel with Covid-19 measures taken)

	EBRW	Math	Total
Range	480-710	570-800	1110-1510
Mean	599	706	1305

IELTS

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is a mandatory exam given in grade 11 to all students. For the class of 2020, IELTS average score was 6.9. For the class of 2021, the IELTS typically held at our school in May each year was postponed this year due to Covid-19 measures and took place on September 16-17, 2020.

Activities

At SAC our students have 2 mandatory club hours per week and allocate extra time according to the needs of the club and their individual preferences. SAC students are given the opportunity to choose from a wide variety of activities. These include, but are not limited to: Model United Nations, European Youth Parliament, Robotics, Business and Finance Club, Makers Club, TEDx Club, Phoenix Artificial Intelligence Club, Destination Imagination, Drama, Film Club, Photography, Newspaper, Public Speaking and Debate, Young Entrepreneurship, Sports, Yoga and Wellness, Aid and Awareness, Orchestra and Latin Dance.



The Curriculum

Language of Instruction: All classes are taught in English except Turkish Language and Literature, Turkish Social Sciences, PE, Art, Music.

Academic Program in Prep Year: All students are required to take a preparatory year to provide a sufficient level of English for their high school education. Prep courses are: Intensive English (20 weekly hours), Mathematics, Science, Turkish, Music, Visual Arts, Computer Science, Physical Education.

Curriculum Choice: Grades 9 and 10 have a set curriculum with a few electives. In grade 11 students have three choices going forward. They can choose between the math/science based FM curriculum; the math/humanities-based TM Curriculum; or the IB Diploma Programme. Students must apply for and be accepted into the IB Diploma Programme. Approximately 30% of SACs Grade 12 students were accepted into and are studying the IB Diploma Program. All SAC 2020 IBDP Candidates received a bilingual IBDP Diploma in addition to the Turkish Anadolu Lisesi Diploma.

GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12	IB Courses
English	English	English	English	IB English A Language & Literature HL/SL
Turkish Literature	Turkish Literature	Turkish Literature	Turkish Literature *FM	IB English Language B HL
Turkish Language Arts	Turkish Language Arts	Diction and Rhetoric - TM*	Calculus *TM + FM	IB Economics HL
Language (German/ Spanish/ French)	Language (German/ Spanish/ French)	Advanced Algebra & Limits	Biology-FM*	IB Environmental Systems and Societies SL
Algebra	Pre-Calculus	Advanced Geometry -TM*	Chemistry - FM*	IB Computer Science HL/SL
Geometry	Trigonometry	Fundamental Maths - TM*	Physics - FM*	IB Physics HL/SL
Pre-Ottoman History	Ottoman History	Biology - FM*	Psychology TM*	IB Chemistry HL/SL
Geography	Geography	Chemistry - FM*	Mod. Turk. and World History *TM	IB Chemistry HL/SL
Chemistry	Chemistry	Physics - FM*	Revolutionary Hist	IB Mathematics **A/A HL/SL
Biology	Biology	History	Religion & Ethics	IB Visual Arts HL
Physics	Religion & Ethics	Religion & Ethics	Guidance & Counselling	IB Theory of Knowledge
Health	Guidance & Counselling	Geography *TM	PE	IB Turkey in the Twentieth Century SL*
Religion & Ethics	PE	Philosophy *		IB Turkish Literature A HL/ SL*
Guidance & Counselling	1 Elective (music/visual arts)	Guidance & Counselling		* Required and taught in Turkish
PE		Elective Music		
1 Elective (music/visual arts)		Elective Art		
		ELECTIVES: Computer Science, Graphic Design and Multimedia, Mechatronics, SAT Maths Prep., AP Biology Prep., AP Physics Prep., English for IELTS, Economics, Media and Pop Culture *TM - required for the TM Diploma *FM - required for the FM Diploma		

**A/A: Analysis and Approaches

SAC International University Acceptances and Matriculations (2018-2020)^{1, 2}

University Name	Country
University of New South Wales	Australia
Wirtschaftsuniversitaet Wien (WU)	Austria
KU Leuven (5)	Belgium
Carleton University	Canada
Concordia University - Montreal (4)	Canada
Dalhousie University	Canada
Emily Carr University of Art + Design	Canada
McGill University (10)	Canada
McMaster University (2)	Canada
Ryerson University (2)	Canada
University of British Columbia (21)	Canada
University of Guelph (2)	Canada
University of Toronto (32)	Canada
University of Waterloo (7)	Canada
Western University	Canada
York University (2)	Canada
Hong Kong Polytechnic	China
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	China
Savannah College of Art and Design - SCAD, Hong Kong	China
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	Ireland
Trinity College Dublin (4)	Ireland
Trinity College Dublin-Columbia University	Ireland-USA
Universitat Bocconi (11)	Italy
Politecnico di Milano	Italy
Politecnico di Torino (4)	Italy
Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (2)	Italy
University of Milan (IULM)	Italy
Vita-Salute San Raffaele University (Medicine) (2)	Italy
International Christian University	Japan
Temple University	Japan
Korea University	Korea
Seoul National University	Korea
Cardenal Herrera University	Spain
IE University	Spain
Universitat Ramon Llull - La Salle (2)	Spain
NYU Abu Dhabi	UAE
Gerrit Rietveld Academie	Netherlands
Erasmus University of Rotterdam (8)	Netherlands
Leiden University (3)	Netherlands
Maastricht University (12)	Netherlands
Radboud University (6)	Netherlands
Royal Academy of Art, the Hague	Netherlands
Technische Universiteit Eindhoven (6)	Netherlands
Tilburg University (15)	Netherlands
Delft University of Technology (4)	Netherlands
University of Amsterdam (6)	Netherlands
University of Groningen (3)	Netherlands
University of the Arts Utrecht	Netherlands
University of Twente (2)	Netherlands
Utrecht University (2)	Netherlands
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (4)	Netherlands

University Name	Country
Architecture's Association	UK
Arts University Bournemouth (2)	UK
Birbeck University of London	UK
Brunel University London (4)	UK
Cardiff University	UK
Central Saint Martins Art & Design (2)	UK
Chelsea College of Art and Design	UK
City University of London (7)	UK
Coventry University	UK
Durham University (17)	UK
Glasgow School of Art (2)	UK
Goldsmith's University of London (5)	UK
Imperial College London (7)	UK
Keele University	UK
King's College London (17)	UK
Kingston University London (2)	UK
Loughborough University (5)	UK
Newcastle University (2)	UK
Oxford Brookes University	UK
Queen Mary University (17)	UK
Queen's University, Belfast	UK
Regent's University London (2)	UK
Royal Holloway, University of London (11)	UK
Solent University	UK
Strathclyde University	UK
Swansea University (3)	UK
The University of Warwick (13)	UK
University College London (UCL) (22)	UK
University for the Creative Arts (2)	UK
University of Bath (15)	UK
University of Birmingham (17)	UK
University of Bristol (15)	UK
University of Dundee	UK
University of East Anglia (10)	UK
University of Edinburgh (9)	UK
University of Essex (2)	UK
University of Exeter (24)	UK
University of Glasgow (8)	UK
University of Kent (21)	UK
University of Leeds (11)	UK
University of Manchester (29)	UK
University of Nottingham (30)	UK
University of Plymouth (2)	UK
University of Sheffield (23)	UK
University of Southampton (5)	UK
University of St Andrews (5)	UK
University of Surrey (14)	UK
University of Sussex (6)	UK
University of the Arts London (2)	UK
University of West London	UK
University of Westminster (16)	UK
University of Winchester	UK
University of York	UK

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University Name	Country
American University (2)	USA
Arizona State University	USA
Babson College (3)	USA
Baylor University	USA
Bentley College	USA
Berkeley College	USA
Boston College (2)	USA
Boston University (5)	USA
Brandeis University (4)	USA
California Institute of the Arts	USA
Chapman University	USA
Clark University (2)	USA
Cornell University (2)	USA
Drew University	USA
Drexel University (4)	USA
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University	USA
Florida Institute of Technology (2)	USA
Florida International University	USA
Fordham University (8)	USA
George Mason University (2)	USA
George Washington University (5)	USA
Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech) (3)	USA
Georgia State University	USA
Harvard University	USA
Illinois Institute of Technology (3)	USA
Kean University	USA
Kenyon College	USA
Lawrance Technological University	USA
Lesley University	USA
Loyola Marymount University (2)	USA
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	USA
New York Institute of Technology (NYIT) (2)	USA
New York University (NYU) (2)	USA
Northeastern University (7)	USA
Nova Southeastern University	USA
Pace University	USA
Parson's School of Design (8)	USA
Pennsylvania State University (3)	USA
Pepperdine University	USA
Pratt Institute (10)	USA

University Name	Country
Purdue University (14)	USA
Rochester Institute of Technology (2)	USA
Rollins College	USA
Rutgers University (4)	USA
Santa Clara University	USA
School for the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC) (7)	USA
School of the Visual Arts	USA
Skidmore College	USA
Stanford University	USA
Stevens Institute of Technology	USA
Suffolk University (2)	USA
Syracuse University	USA
Texas Christian University	USA
The City University of New York (CUNY)	USA
The State University of New York (SUNY) Buffalo	USA
The State University of New York (SUNY) Stony Brook	USA
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) (2)	USA
University of California, Irvine	USA
University of California, Riverside	USA
University of California, Santa Barbara (2)	USA
University of California, Santa Cruz	USA
University of California, San Diego (2)	USA
University of Florida	USA
University of Illinois at Chicago (3)	USA
University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign (3)	USA
University of Massachusetts, Amherst (3)	USA
University of Miami (2)	USA
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (3)	USA
University of New Hampshire	USA
University of San Francisco (3)	USA
University of South Florida	USA
University of Southern California	USA
University of Tampa	USA
University of Washington at Seattle	USA
University of Wisconsin	USA
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI)	USA

¹There is at least one matriculation in each university shown in bold. The numbers in parantheses is the number of acceptances in the given term

²The year of 2018 was our first graduating class with 10 students applying overseas

Addendum explaining COVID-19 Period

SEV American College continued its education for Prep through Grade 12s online (with both synchronous and asynchronous class activities throughout the week for each course) from March 23, 2020 and continues to do so today (September 16th, 2020) due to COVID-19 precautions adopted by the Turkish Ministry of Education. Our grading system for the second semester of 2019/2020 academic year was revised to PASS/FAIL due to the directorate announced by the Turkish Ministry of Education. Lessons will continue face to face at school as soon as the Turkish Ministry of Education allows and we feel that the environment is safe for our students. Our school prepared progress reports to allow students and their parents gain an insight on the student's progress with online education and almost all students followed the online education diligently.

SAC has made considerable investments on top of the current IT infrastructure during COVID-19 to be able to teach with modern learning systems and for students to have quicker access to internet. Blackboard Ultra and Collaborate have been implemented as the new Learning Management Systems for the new academic year 2020/2021. Furthermore SAC increased its internet access speed by two times to approximately 1000mbps after starting online education in March 2020.

