



المدرسة العالمية الأمريكية
UNIVERSAL AMERICAN SCHOOL
FESTIVAL CITY

A NOT-FOR-PROFIT SCHOOL

Universal American School is a not-for-profit school owned and operated by the Al Futtaim Education Foundation. There are two important developments here. The first is that parents will know that any surplus generated by their school fees will be put back into the school. The second is that working alongside an organization like Al Futtaim, we are uniquely positioned to provide real-world learning experiences to our students that other schools simply can not offer.

Universal American School is a wonderful place to grow and learn. Whether you want to participate in our Fringe Festival, one of our four annual school productions, watch one of our 30+ sports teams, debate politics with our Model United Nations students, or learn about our Emirati committee or the National Honor Society, UAS has something to offer everyone. We invite you to visit our school and feel the wonderful energy for yourself.



AN AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL CURRICULUM SCHOOL WHERE STUDENTS KNOW THEY BELONG

Universal American School was founded in 2005. Since then we have served our students every day, helping them become compassionate, confident learners who know who they are and what they stand for. As you learn more about UAS the term “community” will resonate with you again and again. We are a boutique style, not-for-profit school in the heart of family-friendly Festival City. There is a wonderful feeling about our school which comes from our mission:

“To Nurture a Community of Integrity and Academic Excellence”

Our mission drives us forward day after day as we open doors to give every student the ability to identify and achieve their own personal best in everything they do.

Starting in 2019-20, alongside our IB Diploma Programme and our general High School courses (based on AERO/Common Core Plus standards), UAS introduced a selection of Advanced Placement (AP) courses for students in Grades 11 and 12. This parallel track empowers our students to make more personalized choices in their education. Moreover, it serves as an opportunity for students to seek alternate routes to post-secondary education.

A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR

Universal American School is deeply committed to providing students opportunities to identify and achieve a personal best in everything they do. Whether it be through our innovative and future focused integration of learning technology, our creative arts program, our sports and athletics programming, or through our various opportunities for student advocacy and student agency our students know that they matter and belong in our learning community. We are an American international school that adds value to the already rich and challenging International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum framework. We emphasize the importance of well-being and purpose through relationship building. This is highlighted by our comprehensive student support services as well as through our business partnerships and our commitment to developing internship opportunities with Al Futtaim.

Students don't really leave UAS. Rather, they move on with two pieces of paper in their hands. One that says they have accomplished something they are very proud of, and another that says they are going somewhere they want to be. We know this because every year, many of our students return to our school from their next adventure; appreciating that we have helped them become the best possible version of who they already were.



Ms. Janecke Aarnaes, Director

CURRICULUM

AERO US Curriculum PreK-12
IB Primary Years Programme, IB Diploma Programme
Advanced Placement (AP)

MEMBERSHIPS & ACCREDITATIONS





DSIB INSPECTION COMMENTS

"Students' personal and social development, their understanding of Islamic values, Emirati and world cultures and their participation in community services and implementation of innovative ideas are outstanding in all phases."

"The school shows a clear commitment to promoting reading as a lifelong skill for both students and parents. Readers' workshops, school-wide events and additional resources are effective in reinforcing the importance of reading."

"Students are independent and confident in expressing their own views. The skill of critical analysis is evident in all grades. They have developed transferable learning skills that they can use in a variety of contexts. Innovation and creativity are promoted in students' learning."

"Teachers consistently promote higher-order thinking skills, particularly through the effective use of questioning. Critical thinking and problem solving are evident in most classes. Planning regularly includes opportunities for students to develop independent learning skills"

What we do best

"The caring ethos of the school."

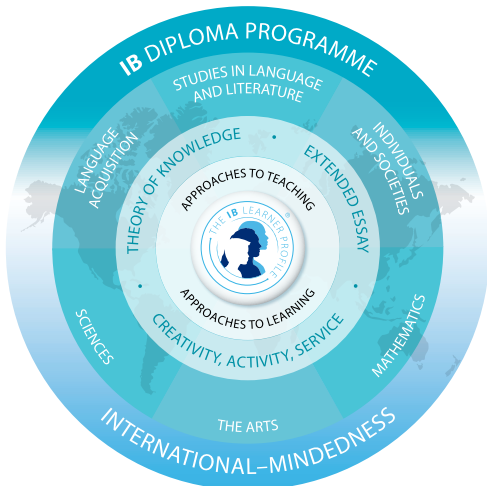
"The Director's and principals' vision and drive for an inclusive, vibrant and successful school, and the unstinting support they receive from governors and parents."

"Students' outstanding personal development and its positive impact on their academic achievements."

WHY THE IB?

A global study of alumni found that the IB has the potential to powerfully shape the lives of students who participate in its programmes

Research suggests many benefits to choosing the DP. The programme aims to develop students who have excellent breadth and depth of knowledge – students who flourish physically, intellectually, emotionally and ethically.*



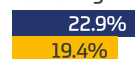
In the UK, DP students outperform their A Level peers in terms of enrolling in top universities and achieving first on second-class honors**

● DP Students ● A Level Students

Enrollment in a top 20 university



Achieving a first class honors degree



Achieving at least a second class honors degree



**<https://www.ibo.org/contentassets/76d2b6d4731f44ff800d0d06d371a892/ib-dp-letter.pdf>

OUR WORLD CLASS FACILITIES

Universal American School is located in the family friendly Al Badia community at Dubai's Festival City.

- 70,000 square meter landscaped campus
- Expansive science labs
- STEAM and Media Design hubs
- Blended Learning hubs
- Fully equipped athletic field & track
- Natural grass football pitch
- Multi-sport gymnasium
- Extensive indoor & outdoor covered play areas
- Multi-purpose hall
- Two large fully equipped art studios
- Separate elementary & secondary library
- Medical clinic

EMIRATI, TALENT & ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

BLENDED LEARNING HUBS

**RATED
VERY GOOD
BY KHDA**

**IB INTERNATIONAL
BACCALAUREATE
+ ADVANCED
PLACEMENT AP**

100% PASS RATE
IB • AP EXAMS 2020

TUITION FEES

| YEAR/GRADE | 2021 - 2022 |
|-------------------|-------------|
| PreK | 37,330 |
| KG1 | 40,450 |
| KG2 | 45,850 |
| Grades 1 - 4 | 61,120 |
| Grades 5 - 8 | 63,962 |
| Grade 9 - 12 | 67,880 |
| Year 12 & year 13 | 76,670 |

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