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UNIVERSAL AMERICAN SCHOOL
FESTIVAL CITY

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UNIVERSAL AMERICAN SCHOOL 2022/2023 HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Our academic program is richly supplemented by Visual and Performing Arts, STEAM Club, Eco Club, National Honor Society, Model United Nations, Student Government, Senior Committee, Band, Experiential and Community Service trips abroad during Week Without Walls, and Athletics. (including Soccer, Volleyball, Swimming, Basketball, Golf, Academic Games, Badminton, Track

AN AL FUTTAIM EDUCATION FOUNDATION (AFEF) SCHOOL

AFEF is an initiative started by the Al Futtaim family to support the UAE Government's vision for the creation of a globally competitive knowledge economy while maximizing their social contribution to the community through this not-for-profit endeavor.

The vision of AFEF is to create excellence; to prepare our students for university and to give them the skills to successfully embrace global citizenship and future opportunities in the UAE and beyond.

 **Al-Futtaim**
Education Foundation

OUR VISION IS:

To be the leading American international school in the region

OUR MISSION IS:

To nurture a community of integrity and academic excellence

OUR VALUES ARE:

Belonging, Curiosity, Resilience, Empathy

ABOUT US

Located in the Emirate of Dubai in the United Arab Emirates, UAS was founded in 2005. Since then we have served our students every day, helping them become passionate, confident learners who know who they are and what they stand for. In 2018, UAS became a not-for-profit school governed by the Al Futtaim Education Foundation, one of the largest and most respected corporations in the lower Gulf Region. As a result the School is now uniquely positioned to provide unparalleled real-world learning experiences to its student body. Universal American School is accredited by the Council of International Schools and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and authorized by the International Baccalaureate Organization as an IB World School.

ACADEMICS

Universal American School is an IB World School that offers the American curriculum delivered through the Primary Years & Diploma Programme frameworks and New York State standards.

High School Curriculum (Grades 9-12)

- English is the language of instruction throughout the school
- Arabic language is required for all students through Grade 9 and for Arab passport holders through Grade 12
- Islamic Studies is mandatory for all Muslim students through Grade 12
- Starting in SY 2020-21, students were placed in global language and fine arts courses based on ability level rather than grade level
- Credit is given for courses completed with a passing grade of 2 on the 7 point scale

Class of 2023 students had the option to pursue:

- American High School Diploma (with optional AP Courses)
- American High School Diploma and IB Diploma
- Any student enrolled in an AP Course/IB Course has the option to sit for AP/IB exams

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme at UAS

The IBDP Candidates at UAS choose their program of six subjects to be studied over two years from the following:

Group 1 Language A: English A Language & Literature HL/SL, Arabic A Language & Literature HL/SL, School-Supported Self-Taught Language A SL

Group 2 Language Acquisition: French B HL/SL, French Ab Initio SL, Spanish B HL/SL, Spanish Ab Initio SL

Group 3 Individual and Societies: Business and Management HL/SL, Economics HL/SL, Geography HL/SL, History HL/SL

Group 4 Experimental Science: Biology HL/SL, Chemistry HL/SL, Environmental Systems and Societies SL, Physics HL/SL

Group 5 Mathematics: IB Mathematics Analysis and Approaches HL/SL, IB Mathematics Applications and Interpretation HL/SL

1084
STUDENTS

71
NATIONALITIES

USA: 16%

Lebanon: 11%

Canada: 10%

UAE: 8%

Jordan: 7%

Other: 48%

Group 6 Arts and Electives: Visual Arts HL/SL

Additional course options for the Class of 2021 included:

- English, Mathematics, Advanced Mathematics, Pre-Calculus, Integrated Humanities, Psychology, Business, Comparative Government, Integrated Science, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, AFL (Arabic as a Foreign Language), Arabic, French, Spanish, Art, Band, Choir, Drama, Media and Design, Programming and Robotics, Computer Programming, Model United Nations, Health Science, PE/Health, PE Electives, Teacher Assistant
- Students pursuing the full IB Diploma do not have access to all the above courses

Advanced Placement Courses:

- The Class of 2023 had the following AP options:
 - SY 2019-21: AP Psychology, AP English Language and Composition, AP Biology
 - SY 2020-21: AP Psychology, AP Comparative Government, AP Physics 1, AP Chemistry, AP English Literature and Composition, AP Calculus AB, AP Drawing
 - SY 2021-22: AP Psychology, AP Calculus, AP American History, AP Computer Science Principles, AP Seminar
 - SY 2022-23: AP Psychology, AP English Language and Composition, AP Calculus, AP Computer Science A, AP Biology, AP Drawing, AP Research

Additional course options for the Class of 2023 included:

- English, Math Models, Pre-Calculus, Integrated Humanities, Business Entrepreneurship, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, AFL (Arabic as a Foreign Language), Arabic, French, Spanish, Art, Rock & Jazz Band, Music Technology, Introduction to Drama, Advanced Acting, Theater Production, Media & Design, Robotics, Computer Programming, Fitness for Life.

Students pursuing the full IB diploma did not have access to all the above courses.

Class of 2023: 92 students

UAS ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) RESULTS

School Statistics	2021	2022
Candidates registered for AP exams	64	44
AP exams taken	107	61
Percentage of students scoring 4 and above	35%	41%

GPA SCALE & GPA CALCULATION

- UAS uses a 4.0 GPA Scale**
- ➔ GPA is calculated on credits earned each semester and is cumulative.
 - ➔ IB and AP courses have an additional 0.25 points to the standard weighting.
 - ➔ UAS does not rank students.

Cumulative GPA Quartiles

1st Quartile (26 students): 3.47 - 4.00
 2nd Quartile (32 students): 3.46 - 3.00
 3rd Quartile (26 students): 2.99 - 2.43
 4th Quartile (15 students): 2.42 - 1.26

UAS INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMME RESULTS

School Statistics	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Candidates registered for IB final examinations (IBDC + IBDP)	93	76	52	46	51
IBDP Candidates registered in the session	82	56	36	42	33
IBDP Candidates who passed the IB Diploma	70	49	36	42	32
Average points by IBDP Candidates who passed the IB Diploma	29	30.4	32	34	35
Highest Diploma points awarded to an IBDP Candidate	43	44	44	41	43

CLASS OF 2022 IBDP HIGHLIGHTS

**97%
PASS RATE**

**OUR
HIGHEST SCORE
43**

**NUMBER OF
STUDENTS ATTAINED
40+ POINTS
18%**

**45%
ACHIEVED
35+**

**40%
BILINGUAL DIPLOMA
(ENGLISH A & ARABIC A)**

**35
AVERAGE
POINTS**

UAS MEMBERSHIPS AND ACCREDITATIONS



CLASS OF 2022 GRADING SCALE

IB Grade	Letter Grade	4.0 Scale for Most Courses	4.0 Scale for IB HL and AP Courses
7	A to A+	4.0	4.25
6 (High)	A-	3.7	3.95
6 (Low)	B+	3.3	3.55
5 (High)	B	3.0	3.25
5 (Low)	B-	2.7	2.95
4 (High)	C+	2.3	2.55
4 (Mid)	C	2.0	2.25
4 (Low)	C-	1.7	1.95
3	D to D+	1.3	1.55
2	D-	.5	.75
1	F	0	0

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

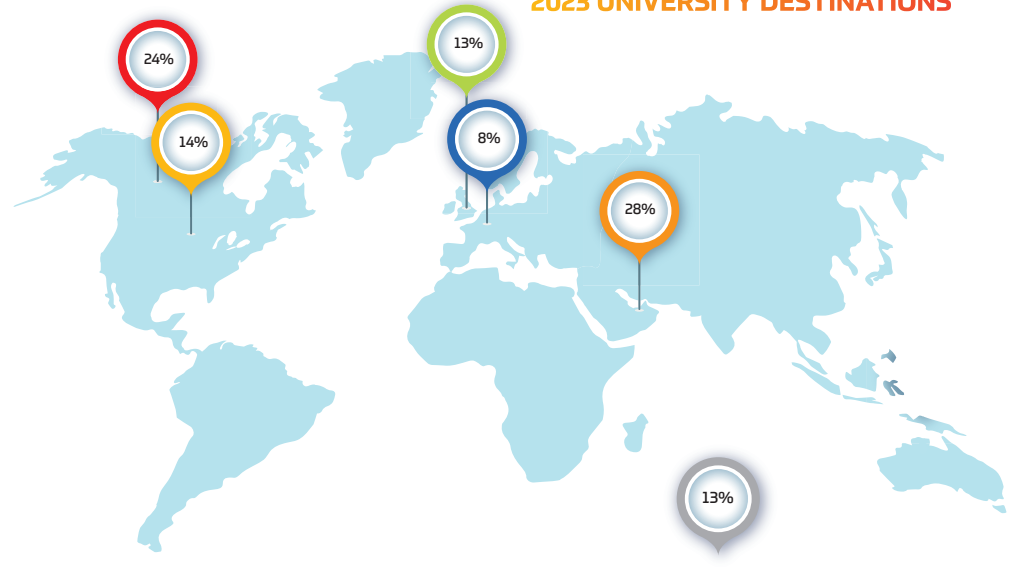
Subjects	Credits
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Humanities	3
World Language	2
Physical/Health Education	2
Creative Arts	0.5
Electives	4.5
Total credits required	24

NOTE ON THE IMPACT OF COVID-19:

UAS schooling was fully online from March 22, 2020 until the end of the school year, June 25, 2020. Students continued to earn academic

grades according to the UAS grading scale. SAT exams were not available in Dubai during this time. For the school year 2020-21, students and families had a choice between in-person or online learning.

2023 UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS



- USA 14 students
- UK 13 student
- CA 24 students
- EU 8 students
- UAE 28 students
- Other (includes Gap Year, Military Service & Other Countries) 13 students

2018 -2023 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

*Bold institutions indicate where students have matriculated.

United States

Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
 American University
Arizona State University
Boston University
California Institute of the Arts
 California State University, Long Beach
 California State University, Los Angeles
 Colorado College
 Columbia College Chicago
 DePaul University
 Drexel University
 Elizabeth College
 Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Emerson College
 Florida Institute of Technology
 Florida International University
Florida State University
 Fordham University
George Mason University
 Georgia Institute of Technology
George Washington University
 Georgia State University
 Grossmont College
 Hofstra University
 Illinois Institute of Technology
Indiana University - Purdue University
 Indianapolis
 Indiana University Bloomington
 Indianapolis University
Liberty University
 Loyola Marymount University
 Loyola University Chicago
Marist College
 Maryland Institute College of Art
Massachusetts College of Art and Design
Merrimack College
 Miami University
Michigan State University
 Millersville University of Pennsylvania
 New York Institute of Technology
Niagara University
 Northeastern University
 Ohio University
 Otis College of Art and Design
Palm Beach State College
 Parsons School of Design
Pennsylvania State University
 Pratt Institute
 Purdue University
 Queens College, City University of New York
 Quinnipiac University
 Rhodes College
 Robert Morris University
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 Rollins College
 Rutgers University
 Saint Leo University
 Saint Louis University
San Diego State University
 San Francisco State University
 Salisbury University
 Savannah College of Art and Design
 School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Skidmore College
 South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
 Southern Illinois University
 Edwardsville
 St. Bonaventure University
 St. Louis College of Pharmacy
 Suffolk University
 Syracuse University
 Temple University
 Texas A&M University
 The College at Brockport, State University of New York
 The Los Angeles Film School
 The Ohio State University
The University of Iowa
The University of Texas at Austin
 Trinity University
 Towson University
 University at Buffalo
 University of Arizona
 University of Arkansas at Little Rock
 University of Baltimore

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 Cruz
 University of Cincinnati
 University of Colorado Boulder
 University of Connecticut
 University of Delaware
 University of Denver
 University of Georgia
University of Houston
University of Illinois at Chicago
 University of Indianapolis
 University of La Verne
 University of Maryland
 University of Massachusetts Boston
 University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
 University of Maryland
 University of Michigan
 University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
 University of Minnesota, Morris
 University of North Carolina Charlotte
 University of North Carolina Wilmington
 University of Oregon
 University of Pittsburgh
 University of Rochester
 University of Redlands
University of San Francisco
University of South Florida
 University of Tampa
 University of Texas at Austin
 University of Washington
 University of Wisconsin - Madison
 University of Wisconsin - Whitewater
 Virginia Commonwealth University
 Whittier College
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute
 York College of Pennsylvania

United Kingdom

Anglia Ruskin University
 The Academy of Contemporary Music
 Arts University Bournemouth
BIMM Institute
 Birkbeck University of London
 Birmingham City University
Brunel University London
 Cardiff Metropolitan University
 Cardiff University
City, University of London
 Coventry University
 Durham University
 Edinburgh Napier University
 Goldsmiths, University of London
 Keele University
King's College London
 Kingston University
 Lancaster University
 Liverpool Hope University
 Liverpool John Moores University
 London Metropolitan University
 London South Bank University
 Met Film School
 Middlesex University
 Newcastle University
 Northumbria University,
 Newcastle University
 Nottingham Trent University
 Oxford Brookes University
Queen Mary, University of London
 Queen's University Belfast
 Regent's University London
 Royal Holloway, University of London
 SOAS, University of London
 Staffordshire University
 University College London
 University for the Creative Arts
 University of Aberdeen
 University of Bath
University of Birmingham
University of Bradford
University of Brighton
University of Bristol
University of Buckingham
University of Central Lancashire
 University of Derby

University of East Anglia
 University of Edinburgh
 University of Essex
University of Exeter
 University of Glasgow
 University of Greenwich
 University of Huddersfield
 University of Hull
 University of Kent
University of Leeds
 University of Leicester
 University of Lincoln
 University of Liverpool
University of Manchester
 University of Northampton
University of Nottingham
University of Plymouth
 University of Portsmouth
University of Reading
 University of Roehampton
University of Sheffield
University of Southampton
 University of St Andrews
 University of Strathclyde, Glasgow
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of the Arts London
University of Warwick
University of West London
 University of Westminster London
 University of York

Canada

Brandon University
 Bishop's University
 Brock University
 Capilano University
Carleton University
Concordia University
 Dalhousie University
 HEC Montréal
 Huron at Western University
 Lakehead University
 McGill University
McMaster University
 Memorial University of Newfoundland
 OCAD University
 Ontario Tech University
 Queen's University
Ryerson University
 Saint Mary's University
Sheridan College
 Simon Fraser University
 St. Francis Xavier University
Trent University
Université Laval
University of British Columbia
 University of Calgary
 University of Guelph
 University of Lethbridge
 University of New Brunswick
 University of Ottawa
 University of Saskatchewan
University of Toronto
 University of Victoria
 University of Waterloo
 The University of Winnipeg
Western University
 Wilfrid Laurier University
York University

Europe

Acibadem University (Turkey)
American College of Thessaloniki (Greece)
 Amsterdam University of Applied Science (Netherlands)
 Bocconi University (Italy)
 Catholic University of Murcia (Spain)
Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne (Switzerland)
Eindhoven University of Technology (Netherlands)
 Erasmus University Rotterdam (Netherlands)
 EU Business School (Spain)
 European University of Cyprus (Greece)
 Florence Classical Arts Academy (Italy)
Fontys University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands)

German International University (Germany)
HAN University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands)
 Humanitas University (Italy)
IE University (Spain)
Istanbul Medipol University (Turkey)
 Koc University (Turkey)
Maastricht University (Netherlands)
 Masaryk University (Czech Republic)
 Marbella International University Centre (Spain)
 Radboud University (Netherlands)
 Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
 Utrecht University
 Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands)
 The American University of Paris (France)
Tilburg University (Netherlands)
 Trinity College Dublin (Ireland)
Universidad Europea de Madrid (Spain)
University College Dublin (Ireland)
University of Amsterdam (Netherlands)
University of Debrecen (Hungary)
 University of Groningen (Netherlands)
 University of Twente (Netherlands)
 Wageningen University & Research (Netherlands)

UAE & Middle East

American University of Beirut (Lebanon)
 American University in Cairo (Egypt)
American University in Dubai (UAE)
American University of Sharjah (UAE)
Canadian University of Dubai (UAE)
 Dubai Institution of Design and Innovation (UAE)
 Emirates Aviation University (UAE)
Gulf Medical University (UAE)
Heriot-Watt University Dubai (UAE)
 Hult International Business School (UAE)
Lebanese American University (Lebanon)
 Mercer University (Georgia)
Middlesex University Dubai (UAE)
New York University - Abu Dhabi (UAE)
 New Giza University (Egypt)
Rochester Institute of Technology Dubai (UAE)
 University of Dubai (UAE)
 University of Sharjah (UAE)
 University of Wollongong in Dubai (UAE)
Zayed University (UAE)

Other

Australia Catholic University (Australia)
Deakin University (Australia)
De La Salle-College of Saint Benilde (Philippines)
 Griffith University (Australia)
 James Cook University (Australia)
 La Trobe University (Australia)
Monash University (Australia)
 Petronas University of Technology (Malaysia)
 Queensland University of Technology (Australia)
 Sophia University (Japan)
 Southville International School and Colleges (Philippines)
 Sunburn University of Technology (Australia)
 University Center of Belo Horizonte (Brazil)
 University of Melbourne (Australia)
 University of Queensland (Australia)
 University of Sunshine Coast (Australia)
 University of Technology Sydney (Australia)
 University of Wollongong (Australia)
 The University of Auckland (New Zealand)
 Waseda University (Japan)



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