



School Profile 2019/2020



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Accreditation

Authorized by the Spanish Ministry of Education (B.O.E. 15.11.2007 / B.O.E. 29.12.2007).

Membership

International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO).

Our School

Brains International Schools is a prestigious group of private independent bilingual schools founded in 1979 with an educational offering that extends from Nursery School to Secondary. Our excellent academic record, focusing on technology, sports and languages, makes us a leading provider of international education in Madrid and Canary Islands.

Our **mission** is to form students as whole, competent people, with the capacity to react to change with confidence and security. Brains students are proud to have received their education with us.

In Brains International Schools, our **vision** is to nurture passionate, creative and balanced people, who are the owners of their own destinies, who are socially-minded and change makers, with a global outlook with which to invigorate the world.

Each one of our students is at the center of the Brains education project, which firmly promotes the following **values**:

BRAINS VALUES

- International and intercultural mentality.
- Respect and tolerance.
- Positive attitude.
- Sense of humanity.
- Critical thinking, autonomy and personal balance.
- The philosophy of effort and team work through sports and general studies.
- Solidarity, honesty, resilience and empathy.
- Commitment to environmental awareness.

The Students

Size of Class of 2019: 114 (27 full IB DP students + 87 Spanish National Curriculum Diploma students).

Of the 660 students in the Secondary School, 114 were graduating seniors. **Due to the small class size and competitive and rigorous nature of the Diplomas we offer, we have chosen not to rank our students.**

The Staff

The Secondary School staff consists of 74 international teachers. All are highly qualified with over 20% holding Masters and/or Doctoral degrees. The student faculty ratio in the Secondary School is 9:1.

The School Day

The school day begins at 8:50 am and ends at 4:30 pm; there are a maximum of 8 academic class periods per day of 50 minutes in duration with an extensive afternoon activity program and numerous opportunities for students to enrich their studies with pre-university courses, language instruction, sport and theatre among others.

The Curriculum

Brains International Schools offers the most demanding academic program to its Secondary School Students. In Grades 9 and 10 students complete the mandatory Spanish National Curriculum. In Grades 11 and 12 students may choose to study the National Spanish Bachillerato or work towards the IB Diploma. All IB students are expected to fulfill the Creativity, Action and Service requirements of the IB Diploma program as well as the Theory of Knowledge course and the Extended Essay which are requirements of the IBO.





Extra-Curricular Program

A broad range of extra-curricular activities are available for students to develop new skills, practice a sport or express themselves through the arts.

<https://www.colegiobrains.com/colegios/la-moraleja/#actividades-extraescolares>



IBO SCHOOL STATISTICS	2017	2018	2019
Number of Diploma candidates registered in the session	17	44	27
Number of candidates who passed the Diploma	15	40	27
Average points obtained by candidates who passed the Diploma	30	33	31
Highest Diploma points awarded to a candidate	40	43	42
Session pass rate	88%	91%	100%

All Brains IB Diploma students are given the opportunity to take the IB exams – we do not have a selection process to sit the exams.

SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

The school uses the IBO's 7 point grading scale in Grades 11-12 for the Diploma Program. The Spanish National Bachillerato uses a 1-10 point grading scale.

IB Grade		Spanish National Bachillerato
7	Excellent	9-10
6	Very Good	7-8
5	Good	6
4	Satisfactory	5
3	Marginal	4
2	Poor	
1	Very Poor	1-3

We do not calculate Grade Point Averages. All grades are unweighted. Predicted IB scores are available.

College and University Acceptances

Students at Brains International Schools can be assured of receiving an education that will prepare them for further education at universities worldwide. Graduates of the classes of 2017-2019 applied to schools in a range of countries including UK, USA, Holland, Spain, Canada, Italy and China. The majority of 2019 graduates attended universities in Spain (78%), the remaining students (22%) in the UK, the US and other countries.

In addition to all of the major public and private universities in Madrid, the following colleges and universities have admitted our students since 2015:

*Indicates enrolment.

USA

Bard College
Boston University
Clark University
Drexel University
Florida Institute of Technology*
Fordham University*
Georgia Institute of Technology*
Manhattan College
Michigan State University – East Lansing*
Northeastern University
Northwestern University*
NYU*
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Rollins College*
San Diego State University*
School Museum of Fine Arts, Boston*
Skidmore University
SUNY – Stonybrooke
Syracuse University*
Temple University

Tufts University*
University of California – San Diego*
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Illinois at Chicago

UK

Aberystwyth University
University of Bath
University of Brighton
University of Birmingham
Bournemouth University*
University of Bristol*
Cardiff University*
City, University of London*
Coventry University*
Durham University
University of Edinburgh
University of Essex*
University of Exeter
Falmouth University*
University of Glasgow*
Goldsmiths, University of London*

Imperial College of London*
Keele University*
King's College London*
Lancaster University*
University of Leicester*
Loughborough University
New College of the Humanities*
Northumbria University*
University of Manchester*
University of Nottingham*
Queen Mary University of London*
University of Reading
Regent's University
University of Sheffield
University of Southampton
University of Surrey*
Swansea University*
University of Sussex*
UCL (University College London)*
The University of Warwick*
University of Westminster*

OTHERS

Universiteit Gent (Belgium)*
Copenhagen Business School (Denmark)
Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences (Holland)*
University of Amsterdam (Holland)*
University of Groningen (Holland)*
Erasmus University Rotterdam (Holland)
Universiteit Leiden (Holland)*
Tilburg University (Holland)
Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences – RSB (Holland)*
NABA – Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti (Italy)*
McMaster University (Canada)*
Renmin University (China)*
Universidad de Los Andes (Colombia)*
Hult International Business School (multi-campus)*
IE University (Spain)*

