



Discovery College (DC) is a co-educational independent school located in Discovery Bay, Hong Kong. DC was established in 2008 by the English Schools Foundation (ESF) to serve the needs of the local and international expatriate community in Hong Kong. It is an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School.

## Vision Statement

- Grow.** Be passionate about being the best we can be.
- Discover.** Find wonder in the world around us.
- Dream.** Dare to make a difference for yourself, humanity and our planet.

## International Mindedness Statement

International Mindedness is a commitment to celebrating our diversity where people know themselves and others, and demonstrate empathy by thinking globally and acting ethically. The three core components of international mindedness at DC are:

- Intercultural understanding – recognising and reflecting on one’s own perspectives, as well as the perspectives of others
- Global engagement – developing global and local awareness, perspectives and action, to empower learners committed to service in the community
- Multilingualism – the ability to communicate in a variety of ways in more than one language

## International Community

Since opening in 2008, Discovery College has had a growing roll, reaching 1,464 students enrolled in Years 1-13 (K-12) in the 2019-20 academic year. We have a diverse student body, with more than 48 nationalities represented on campus. Discovery College has an experienced and highly professional staff who fully embrace the IB curriculum. Our teachers and support staff represent more than 24 countries.

## Curriculum

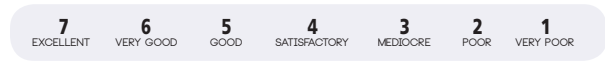
Discovery College is an authorised IB World School offering the Primary Years Programme (PYP), the Middle Years Programme (MYP), the Diploma Programme (DP) and the Career-related Programme (CP). The medium of instruction is English, with the vast majority of students studying Chinese (Putonghua) as a second language.

In Years 10 and 11 (Grades 9 and 10), students participate in the MYP, which provides a seamless transition into the DP or CP. The fundamental concepts in the MYP include intercultural understanding, communication and holistic learning. Students take courses in the following 8 subject areas: Language and Literature, Language Acquisition, Sciences, Mathematics, Physical and Health Education, Individuals and Societies, Design, and the Arts: Music, Drama and Visual Arts.

In Years 12 and 13 (Grades 11 and 12), students take the full DP, the CP, or pursue Diploma Courses. The DP is recognised as a comprehensive pre-university programme that offers courses in six subject areas. Students also undertake Theory of Knowledge (ToK), complete a 4,000-word Extended Essay (EE) and participate in Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS). The CP allows students to specialise and dedicate themselves to an area of learning that they know they want to pursue and encompasses the IB’s educational philosophy and mission. Students undertake up to four DP courses, a course in Personal and Professional Skills, complete a Reflective Project, and participate in Language Development and Service Learning.

## Assessment

Formal student assessment is criterion-based and includes external and internal assessment and reporting. Discovery College follows the International Baccalaureate seven point grading scale in our Middle Years Programme and our Diploma Programme. **Students are not ranked at Discovery College, and we do not calculate grade point averages.**



## IB Diploma Results: May 2019

Discovery College's sixth cohort of IB Diploma students graduated in May 2019. The summary information below reflects their results.

	DC (May 2019)	DC (May 2018)	DC (May 2017)	DC (May 2016)	Worldwide* (May 2018)
Number of students entered for the full IB Diploma	77	90	88	75	82,810
Number of students entered for IB Diploma Courses	2	1	5	1	80,363
Number of students achieving the IB Diploma	75	87	82	72	65,974
% of students achieving the IB Diploma	97.4%	96.7%	93.2%	96.0%	78.2%
% of students achieving a Bilingual Diploma	16.9%	15.6%	15.9%	19.4%	21.8%
Mean points score for all IB Diploma students	35.6	35.3	34.8	35.3	29.8
% of students achieving 30+ IB Diploma points	85.7%	83.3%	83.0%	92.0%	53.3%
% of students achieving 35+ IB Diploma points	58.4%	60.0%	56.8%	57.3%	26.2%
% of students achieving 40+ IB Diploma points	21.1%	21.1%	19.3%	21.3%	7.8%
Mean grade for all subjects	5.54	5.49	5.39	5.47	4.80
Mean Core Points (for Extended Essay and ToK)	2.08	2.21	2.09	2.11	1.22

\* IBO Worldwide data for May 2019 is not yet available so May 2018 data has been provided. The worldwide data has stayed fairly consistent over the last few years.

## Graduate Destinations

Discovery College is very proud of the achievements of all 79 students in the class of 2019. All of our students earned their qualification, enabling them to attend universities around the world. Students have chosen to pursue academic studies in a range of subjects, while several have selected work, military or service opportunities before pursuing university studies. Applications to universities in Australia and New Zealand are still in progress. Listed below are the university placements for the class of 2019. The number in parentheses indicates multiple graduates attending the university.

### HONG KONG 11%

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong  
The University of Hong Kong (4)  
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University  
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology  
Savannah College of Art and Design

### AUSTRALIA 8%

Applications currently being processed for academic year 2020

### CANADA 8%

University of Waterloo (2)  
University of British Columbia  
University of Toronto  
Okanagan College  
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### GERMANY 1%

Technical University of Munich

### JAPAN 1%

Ritsumeikan University

### KOREA 3%

Seoul National University

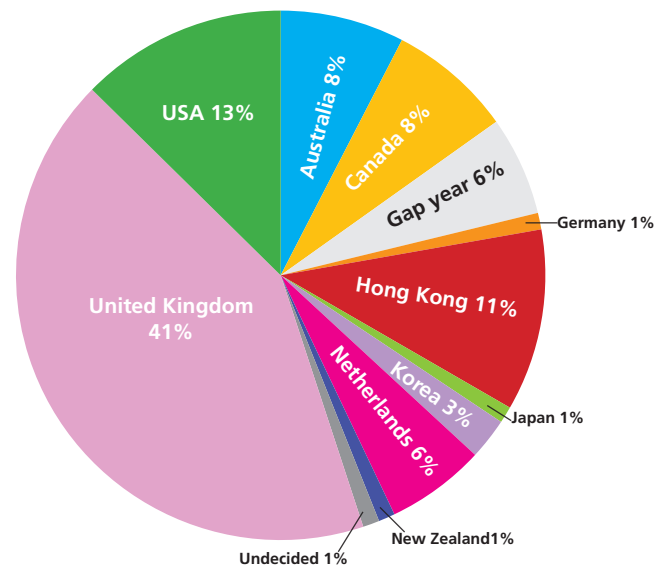
### NETHERLANDS 6%

University of Amsterdam (2)  
Eindhoven University of Technology  
Leiden University, The Hague

### NEW ZEALAND 1%

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## Class 2019 Destinations by percentage %



### UNITED STATES 13%

New York University (3)  
Wesleyan University  
University of California, San Diego (2)  
American Musical and Dramatic Academy (AMDA)  
Arizona State University  
New York Institute of Technology  
University of Southern California

### UNITED KINGDOM 41%

University of Exeter (2)  
Nottingham Trent University  
University of Bath (6)  
University of Plymouth  
University for the Creative Arts (2)  
Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh  
University of York  
Royal Veterinary College, University of London  
Durham University (3)  
University of Warwick (4)  
University of Leeds  
UCL (University College London)  
Leeds Beckett University  
University of Birmingham  
Goldsmiths, University of London (2)  
Bournemouth University (2)  
University of Sheffield  
University of St Andrews  
University of Oxford