



American Collegiate Institute

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School Profile 2019-2020

Founded by American educators and philanthropists in 1878, the American Collegiate Institute (ACI) is an independent, co-educational high school which prepares students for higher education in Turkey and abroad.

ACI's mission is to develop the personal, social and environmental responsibility of students who are bilingual in Turkish and English. ACI is committed to inspiring students to become life-long learners with the necessary skills, accountability, and attitudes required for leading a fulfilling life, and for serving their country and humanity. ACI is co-governed by a private Turkish charitable foundation known in Turkey as SEV. The same organization operates Üsküdar American Academy, Tarsus American College, and SEV American College.

ACI is fully accredited by and operates under the jurisdiction of the Turkish Ministry of Education. ACI was accredited by the European Council of International Schools (ECIS) in 1994 and receives continuing accreditation through the Council of International Schools (CIS.) ACI has been an International Baccalaureate World School since 2005.

About American Collegiate Institute

- Founded in 1878 as an all-girls school
- Co-educational since 1984
- Committed to bilingual learning and instruction in Turkish and English
- School Motto: "Enter to Learn, Depart to Serve"
- Girls' dorm opened in 2009, followed by Boys' dorm in 2011
- 815 students from all over Turkey in grades Prep - 12
- All students are Turkish citizens, with 3% holding dual citizenship with other countries
- To qualify for admission, students must achieve a 97% or higher on the Turkish National 8th grade entrance exam



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Academic Program

99 full time and 17 part time faculty

Student to faculty ratio of 8:1

Students earn Turkish Anadolu Lise Diploma in Grade 12

Bilingual instruction in Turkish and English

International Baccalaureate diploma available

Mandatory prep year in English before Grade 9

Students graded on Turkish scale

Semester system



- 12 acre garden campus with 186 olive trees, near the Aegean Sea in the coastal city of Izmir
- Several ACI buildings have Historical Landmark Status
- Naomi Foster Library contains 60,000 volumes and is the largest high school library in the Aegean Area
- First Turkish School in Turkey to be accredited by European Council of International Schools
- Member of Council of International Schools
- First high school in the Aegean Region to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma, starting in 2005
- 10-15% of students receive financial aid from the SEV Foundation and/or the ACI Alumni Association

Curriculum

Our academic program follows a university preparatory curriculum with an intensive English focus. As bilingual scholars, our students learn to function effectively within two distinct teaching styles and cultures.

38-41 periods of instruction per week

50% of all class hours in grades 9-12 are taught in English

English is treated as a main course, and is also used to deliver instruction in mathematics and some science courses

All students take a full year of immersive English instruction during the mandatory preparatory year

English skills are assessed using the IELTS exam

All students must complete Turkish Lise Diploma (MEB) requirements

Turkish cultural subjects, including literature, social sciences, religion and psychology are taught in Turkish, according to national education regulation

Elective course offerings include art, music, physical education, French, German and Spanish

By graduation, students complete a demanding program averaging twelve courses per semester



Enter to Learn, Depart to Serve

Service clubs dedicated to enriching the lives of others have been a long tradition at ACI. They include:

- Animal Shelter Club
- Breast Cancer Awareness Club
- Children's Hospital Club
- HeForShe Club
- LOSEV Cancer Care Club
- MicroCredit Club
- Old Folks Club
- Red Crescent Club

Student-run events, such as MOODS and Bazaar Day, along with Student Council events through the year, help fund ACI Service Clubs.

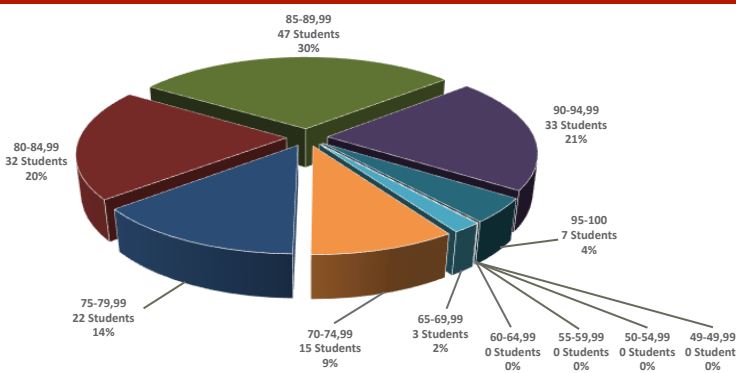
ACI offers 120 clubs and organizations for students including Student Council, Model United Nations, Junior Achievement, and the International Student Theater Association (ISTA) festivals. ACI is active in linguistic and mathematics competitions on both national and international levels.



Academic Grading System

ACI does not report rank. GPA is calculated by weighting each subject according to the number of lessons per week. Grades are scored on a 100-point scale: 50% is a passing grade, while 90% and above is rare. An honor student must obtain a weighted average of 70%, while a high honors students must obtain 85%. Both distinctions are determined by end-of-semester results.

Very Good	85 - 100
Good	70 - 84,99
Mediocre	60 - 69,99
Passing	50 - 59,99
Failing	0 - 49,99



Cumulative GPA (9,10,11) Distribution Class of 2020

Izmir

Known throughout the millennia as the "Pearl of the Aegean," the city of Izmir is the cultural, commercial and industrial center of Turkey's Aegean Coast.

Home to a population of four million, Izmir is situated on a beautiful, large bay surrounded by mountains, only 90 km away from Cesme, a famous coastal town, and the ancient Ephesus archeological site, which housed one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.

With settlements dating back to 3000 BC, and once home to Homer, Izmir has grown through the ages to become a city of old and new. Home to nine universities, multiple museums, historical, cultural and entertainment sites, Izmir's pivotal location offers connections by air to over 20 European cities. Izmir's modern Adnan Menderes Airport is only an hour flight from Istanbul.



Final Look at Class of 2019

160 students
98 matriculated abroad
57 IB Diploma recipients
Average IB Diploma score: 32
Top IB Diploma score: 42

SAT: Critical Reading 646
Math 729
Average IELTS score of students who matriculated abroad: 7.1



Class of 2020 IELTS average score: **7.15** (May 2019)
(average represents the entire class of 159 students)
IB Diploma recipients 5 year average (2015-19): **33**

Guide to the Curriculum

hours of instruction per subject in grades Prep -12

COURSE NAME ACI 2018-19 WEEKLY HOURS	PREP	GRADE 9		GRADE 10		GRADE 11			Grade 12					
			Turkish-Math	Science-Math	Turkish-Math	Social	Science-Math	IB Turkish-Math	IB Science-Math	Turkish-Math	Social	Science-Math	IB Turkish-Math	IB Science-Math
TURKISH	4													
TURKISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE		5	5	5	5	5		5	5	5	5	5	5	5
TURKISH LANG. & LIT. ELECTIVE					3	3				3	3			
DICTION AND ORATORY			1											
PROJECT PREPARATION (PHYSICS)				1										
VISUAL ARTS & MUSIC	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	1
RELIGION & ETHICS		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
HISTORY		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2					
HISTORY ELECTIVE					2	4								
HISTORY of TURKISH REVOLUTION										2	2	2	2	2
GEOGRAPHY		2	2	2	4	4				4	4			
PHILOSOPHY			2	2	2	2	2	2	2					
PHYSIOLOGY					2	2								
SOCIOLOGY						2				2	2			
LOGIC											2			
ENGLISH	20	7	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	4	4
SECOND FOREIGN LANGUAGES	4	4	4	4										
HEALTH & TRAFFIC		1												
PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORTS	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	1
MATHEMATICS	3	6	6	6	6	2	6	8	8	6	2	6	8	8
MATH HISTORY & APPLICATIONS					2		2			2		2		
SCIENCE	1													
PHYSICS		2	2	2			4					4		
CHEMISTRY		2	2	2			4		4			4		6
BIOLOGY		2	2	2			4					4		
PHYSICS/BIOLOGY									6					
SCIENCE HISTORY & APPLICATIONS												3		
ENV. SYSTEMS & SOCIETIES								5					5	
SOCIAL STUDIES (TITC)								4					5	
CONTEMP. TURKISH & WORLD HIST.										4	4			
HISTORY of WESTERN MUSIC											2			
ART HISTORY						2					2			
COMPUTER SCIENCE	3													
IB ELECTIVES								4	4				5	5
THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE								2	2				2	2
TOTAL WEEKLY HOURS	39	39	39	39	39	39	40	40	41	39	39	41	40	42

The Turkish Science track contains course work equivalent to AP courses in Calculus BC, Biology, Chemistry and Physics C.
All three Turkish tracks include an academic emphasis on English language instruction.

IB Diploma students are also enrolled in Theory of Knowledge for two hours per week.
The International English Language Test is administered in Grade 11.

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International University Placements

All ACI graduates pursue university education, with 40-65% enrolling in universities outside of Turkey. Graduates from the classes of 2015-2019 received acceptances from the institutions below. Matriculations are in bold.

Babson College
Barnard College
Bennington College
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music
Boston University
 Boston College
Brandeis University
Brown University
 Bryant University
University of California Berkeley
University of California Davis
 University of California Los Angeles
University of California San Diego
University of California Santa Barbara
University of California Santa Cruz
 California State University, East Bay
 California State University, Fullerton
 California State University, Monterey Bay
Carnegie Mellon University
 Case Western Reserve University
 Chapman University
 University of Chicago
University of Cincinnati
Clark University
Columbia University
 The Cooper Union
 Cornell University
Culinary Institute of America
Davidson College
Drexel University
Duke University

Eckerd College
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ. - Daytona Beach
 Emerson College
 Emory University
 Fairfield University
 Fairleigh-Dickinson University
 Florida Institute of Technology
Fordham University
 Franklin & Marshall College
 The George Washington University
Georgia Highlands College
Georgia Institute of Technology
Harvard University
 Hofstra University
 University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Illinois Institute of Technology
 University of Iowa
 Iowa State University
 Indiana University-Purdue University
 Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University
 Johnson & Wales University
 Kenyon College
Lafayette College
 University of La Verne
Lehigh University
 Loyola Marymount University
 Loyola University Chicago
 Lynn University
 University of Maine
 Marist College
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst

University of Miami
University of Michigan
Michigan State University
 University of Missouri Columbia
 Musicians Institute
 New England Conservatory of Music
The New School
New York University
 The University of North Carolina
 at Chapel Hill
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
The Ohio State University
 Ohio Wesleyan University
Olin College of Engineering
 Pace University
University of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania State University
Pomona College
 Princeton University
Purdue University
 University of Redlands
Reed College
 University of Rhode Island
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 University of Rochester
 Roger Williams University
 Rollins College
Rutgers University-New Brunswick
 University of San Diego

San Diego State University
 San Francisco State University
Sarah Lawrence College
 University of South Florida, Tampa
University of Southern California
St. John's College
Stevens Institute of Technology
 Stony Brook University
 Suffolk University
Syracuse University
 University of Tampa
University of Texas San Antonio
Tufts University
 Tulane University
Vanderbilt University
 University of Hawaii - Hilo
 University of Hawaii at Manoa
 University of Illinois at Chicago
 University of Massachusetts, Boston
 University of Vermont
 University of Virginia
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute
 Vassar College
Wellesley College
Wentworth Institute of Technology
 Wheaton College
 Whittier College
University of Wisconsin, Madison
 Woodbury University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Yale University

Aberystwyth University
Architectural Assoc. Sch. Of Architecture
 The Arts Univ. College at Bournemouth
University of Arts London
University of Bath
 Bournemouth University
University of Birmingham
 University of Brighton
University of Bristol
Brunel University
University of Creative Arts
 Cardiff University
City University of London
 University of Dundee
 Durham University
 University of East Anglia
 University of East London
University of Edinburgh
 University of Essex
University of Exeter
 University of Glasgow
Goldsmiths, University of London
 University of Greenwich
Guildhall School of Music & Drama
Hult Int'l Business School - London
Imperial College London
 University of Kent
King's College London
 Kingston University
 University of Leeds
 Leeds Beckett University
 Leeds College of Art & Design
 London College of Communication

London School of Economics
 London Southbank University
University of Manchester
 Manchester Sch. Of Architecture
 Newcastle University
University of Nottingham
 Nottingham Trent University
University of Oxford
Oxford Brookes University
 University of Plymouth
Plymouth College of Art
 University of Portsmouth
Queen Mary, University of London
 Queen's University Belfast
 University of Reading
 Richmond, The Intl Univ of London
 Roehampton University
 Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
Royal Holloway, University of London
 Royal Northern College of Music
 Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama
SOAS, University of London
 Sheffield Hallam University
University of Sheffield
 The Glasgow School of Art
University of Cambridge
University College London
University of Southampton
University of St. Andrews
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
 University of Warwick
 University of Westminster

University of Alberta
 Bishop's University
University of British Columbia
 Carleton University
Concordia University
Dalhousie University
Emily Carr University of Art & Design
University of Guelph
University of King's College
McGill University
 McMaster University

Boston Architectural College
 California College of the Arts
 Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising
 Fashion Institute of Technology
 Maryland Institute College of Art
 Massachusetts College of Art & Design
New York Film Academy
Otis College of Art & Design
Parsons, The New School
Pratt Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
 Ringling College of Art and Design
 Savannah College of Art and Design
School of Art Institute of Chicago
 School of the Museum of Fine Arts
 School of Visual Arts
 Southern California Institute of Architecture

Mount Allison University
 Nova Scotia College of Art and Design
 Memorial University
 Ontario College of Art & Design
 Queen's University
Ryerson University
 Saint Mary's University
University of Toronto
 Trent University
University of Waterloo
York University

American University of Paris, France
 American University of Rome, Italy
University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
Amsterdam Univ of Appied Sciences, Netherlands
Amsterdam University College, Netherlands
 Architectural Institute of Prague, Czech
UIC Barcelona, Spain
 Bard College Berlin, Germany
Bocconi University, Italy
Budapest Metropolitan University, Hungary
Carl Benz School of Engineering, Germany
City University of Hong Kong
Univ of Debrecen, Medical & Health Sci. Center, Hungary
 Delft Univ of Technology, Holland
 Duke Kunshan University, China
 Eindhoven Inst of Technology, Holland
 Erasmus University College, Netherlands
Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands
FH Achen University, Germany
Fontys University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands

University College Groningen, Netherlands
The Hong Kong Univ. of Sci. & Tech., Hong Kong
 University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
 IE University, Spain
Instituto Marangoni, Italy
Istituto Europeo di Design, Italy & Spain
 Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel
KU Leuven, Belgium
 Leiden University, Netherlands
Leiden University College, Netherlands
Maastricht University, Netherlands
Monash University, Australia
Northwestern University of Qatar, Qatar
Nuova Academia di Belle Arti Milano, Italy
 NYU Shanghai, China
University of Szeged, Hungary
University of Melbourne, Australia
Politecnico di Milano, Italy
 Politecnico di Torino, Italy
Sciences Po, Menton, France

Sciences Po - Columbia Univ Dual BA Program, France & US
Sciences Po - UCL Dual Program
Semmelweis University, Hungary
 University Sorbonne, France
University of Sydney, Australia
 Tallinn University, Estonia
 Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia
 Technion Israel Inst of Technology, Israel
 Tel Aviv University, Israel
Tilburg University, Netherlands
 Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
University of Applied Sciences Wurzberg, Germany
University of Twente, Netherlands
Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy
University College Utrecht, Netherlands
 Utrecht University, Netherlands
Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Italy
Vrije University Amsterdam
Yale - NUS College