



2019 SCHOOL PROFILE

Colegio Internacional Montessori (CIM) is a private, bilingual school enrolling students from Kindergarten through Grade 12. It offers instructions in both English and Spanish. The school opened its doors in 1984 and graduated its first senior class in 1995. CIM offers a high quality education based on the principles of Dr. Maria Montessori, which provides students with life skills and prepares them to become world citizens.

CIM is located in an important commerce and residential area in Santa Catarina Pinula, Guatemala City. The school has a 17.27-acres extension surrounded by forests and clean air. The campus design responds to the “Montessori” concept of a “prepared ambience”, integrating the philosophy and architecture for the benefit of its students.

Vision:

Ethical young adults who accept their responsibility in life and possess moral, social, and personal values as well as the necessary tools to act positively and creatively in a multi-cultural and changing world.

Mission:

Educate our students through the integration of high academic standards and moral values in order for them to successfully face their aspirations in life, the challenges of higher education, and the demands of society.

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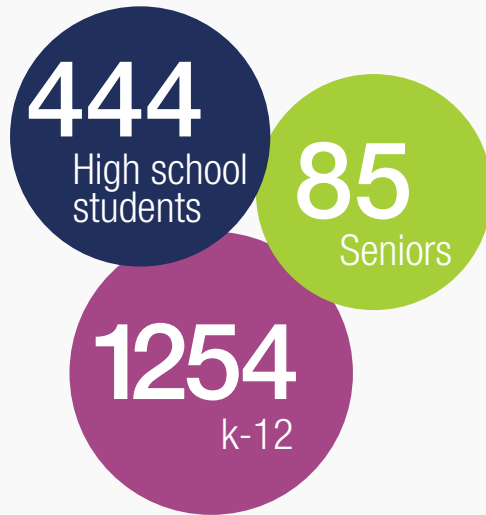
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Enrollment:



50 High school educators

Faculty

Max 25 students per class

Class Size

Founded 1984

Accreditation

Guatemalan Ministry of Education
“Bachillerato en Ciencias y Letras”

Academic Program:

The “Bachillerato” program is the required curriculum for those who wish to further their education at a university level. All students earning the “Bachillerato en Ciencias y Letras” diploma are required to pass ALL courses in the curriculum. This course list is an extensive one that leaves no room for elective classes, although there are “advanced placement” classes in the program. Some of the students’ required courses for the “Bachillerato” diploma would be considered “honors” at other institutions. Graduates of the “Bachillerato” program are well prepared to study at a university level, whether choosing a major in the area of humanities or science and mathematics. At the secondary level, students receive instruction in English in the areas of Literature, which includes Grammar & Composition. In the courses of Mathematics and Science, students use textbooks and materials published in the United States of America. Courses taught in Spanish include Literature & Composition, Social Studies, Art & Art History, Music, and Physical Education.

AP Program:

Since 2019 AP courses are available to students in grades 12 upon prerequisite completion and teacher recommendation. Students can only choose 1

AP Calculus

AP English Literature
and Composition

AP Studio Art:
Drawing

Grading System:

The grading system used by the Ministry of Education in Guatemala is numerical, using averages calculated over 100%, with 60% being the required minimum for passing. Students may not continue to the next grade level unless they have passed all of their courses with a minimum of 60%.

For college application outside of Guatemala, an unweighted grade point average is calculated, using academic courses only. Grade percentages are converted to a 4-point scale as follows:

Letter Grade	Percent Grade	4.0 Scale
A+	97-100	4.0
A	93-96	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	87-89	3.3
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.3
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	67-69	1.3
D	65-66	1.0
E/F	Below 65	0.0

The GPA is unweighted. Grades are recorded each bimester from January to October. A class rank is calculated based on ALL courses taken through high school (Grade 8-12).

Cumulative Distribution Class of 2018: (89 students)



University Acceptance Sampling (2014-2017): Nearly 100% of graduates attend a 4-year university; 90% apply and are accepted to top universities in Guatemala

GUATEMALA

Universidad Francisco Marroquín, Universidad del Valle de Guatemala, Universidad Rafael Landívar, Universidad del Istmo, Universidad San Carlos de Guatemala (State university)

INTERNATIONAL

Texas A&M *, John Hopkins *, Universidad de Navarra (Spain)* , Universidad Anáhuac (México) * , SCAD * , NYU Abu Dhabi * , Georgia Institute of Technology, Purdue, Berkely, University of Louisiana, Tecnológico de Monterrey *, Tulane, SMU, University of Florida, Fordham University, Tufts University, Suffolk University, The American Academy of Dramatic Arts, Loyola University of Chicago, Penn State, Columbia University, Istituto Europeo di Design, ESADE Business School, Universidad Panamericana México, Liberty University, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid

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