

#### School Profile 2021-2022

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Enrollment: Total 4719: Pre-K to 12

Athens College High School: 525 Psychico College High School: 743
Graduating class: 149 Graduating class: 277 (149 I.B.)

Middle Schools: 1200 (Gr. 7-9) Elementary Schools: 1967 (Gr.1-6)

PreK & Kindergarten: 284

Faculty: Total: **560** High School Faculty: **215** 

Overall student: faculty ratio 8.5:1

### The Schools

Athens College - Hellenic American Educational Foundation (HAEF), founded in 1925, is a non-profit educational institution that seeks to incorporate in its programs the best standards and practices embodied in Greek and American education. HAEF graduates have held distinguished positions in government, academia, the sciences, the arts, business, and banking, both in Greece and abroad.

A hallmark feature of the HAEF since its founding has been its extensive scholarship program, which allows deserving students the opportunity to attend our institution irrespective of their families' financial situation. As Stephanos Delta, the program's founder, said, "The education our school offers should not become a privilege of the wealthy." The number of need-based and merit scholarship recipients last year (2020-21) was 628 with a total of 3,286,333 euro.

Athens College – HAEF - is comprised of two highly competitive sister schools, Athens College and Psychico College. Each has an elementary school (Demotic), a middle school (Gymnasium), and a high school (Genikon Lykeion). Athens College has operated since 1925, the Psychico College Elementary since 1980, and the Psychico College Middle School and High School since 1999. Students join the school in Grade 1 directly from the "J. M. Carras" Kindergarten and through a lottery system, and through competitive entrance examinations for a number of places in Grades 2-11. Students are admitted to the "J. M. Carras" Kindergarten after a readiness evaluation and an interview of the parents.

At the upper school level, both Athens College and Psychico College follow the Greek National Curriculum, while Psychico College also offers the full International Baccalaureate Bilingual Diploma Program for Grades 11 and 12. Students in either school can apply to enter the IB upon completion of Grade 10. The IB Program has been in operation since the academic year 1996-97.

As of January 2019, both secondary school units are authorized IB World Schools for the Middle Years Program (MYP). The MYP is offered as a four-year program (Grades 7-10) along with the national curriculum, and MYP year 5 students receive IB-validated grades upon completion of the MYP Personal Project in the final year of the program.

In its constant effort to improve the quality of learning and teaching in its schools, HAEF has instituted the use of Learning Management Systems (TEAMS, ManageBac) platforms that enable students and teachers to enhance the effectiveness of their work through their Knowledge Base, Digital Tools, and Collaboration Mechanism. HAEF is also a test center for various external university admission exams, such as SAT, BMAT, Oxford Admissions Tests, and Cambridge University Pre-Interview Assessments. Finally, every year thirteen Fulbright Fellows join the school to strengthen the ties between the Foundation and the United States and to provide a cross-cultural educational experience to students and faculty.

#### **Facilities and Location**

The Middle Schools, High Schools, Kindergarten, Department of Special Programs (offering courses in Foreign Languages, Music, and Athletics) and Adult Education Program are located on a 37-acre campus in Psychico, about four miles from central Athens. The Psychico campus includes 230 classrooms and labs in 12 academic buildings. The main library has a collection of approximately 85,000 volumes, in Greek and English, 300 current titles of print and electronic journals/magazines and newspapers, databases with e-books and general information articles, and 144 computers and laptops used by students for research projects and the Information Literacy Course. The Informatics Center (IC) promotes innovative digital educational content and offers a haven for teamwork, creativity and discovery to both students and faculty. The IC facilities include a 200-capacity auditorium, with video wall conferencing and 3D projection equipment for 3D Educational libraries as well as Multi Media Labs, equipped with state-of-the-art 3D printing, milling machine, laser cutter equipment, Web TV, music technology and robotics infrastructure. Our campus also hosts an indoor swimming pool, a fully equipped athletics center and a modern 810-seat theater. The academic and athletic facilities of the Elementary Schools are located on a 46-acre campus ten miles northeast of central Athens in Kantza.

### **The Curriculum**

The Greek National Curriculum awards the Greek high school certificate (Apolytirion of the Genikon Lykeion) at the end of Grade 12. Students choose a concentration at the end of Grade 10 in one of two areas: 1) humanities, or 2) math and pure science. At the end of Grade 11, students choose one of the four areas: 1) humanities, 2) math and science, 3) health sciences, or 4) economics and computer science. In Grades 10, 11, and 12, the minimum passing grade is 10/20. The final grade for each subject is an average of the two semester grades (50%) and the final exam (50%). The Apolytirion average is based on the GPA of Grade 12 subjects.

Genikon Lykeion students wishing to pursue tertiary education in Greek universities have to sit highly competitive national examinations ("Pan-Hellenic") in four subjects depending on their chosen field of study. Last year, of the 193

students graduating from the Greek Genikon Lykeion of both Athens College and Psychico College who sat the Pan-Hellenic exams and submitted applications, **191** were admitted to Greek public institutions of tertiary education (99%). A number of last year's graduates was also admitted to and chose to attend universities abroad, primarily in the United Kingdom and the United States, but also in other European countries, as well as private institutions in Greece.

The HAEF schools have the following academic departments: English, Greek Language & Greek Literature, History & Social Sciences, Information Technology, Mathematics, Music, Natural Sciences, and Physical Education.

The IB Diploma Program (The International Baccalaureate) is a two-year course (Grades 11 and 12) taught in English with an additional component of History, Greek Language & Greek Literature and Physical Education taught in Greek. Students are awarded the full equivalent of the Greek Apolytirio through a combination of being awarded the IB Diploma by the IBO and passing the three Greek subjects. All students who enroll in this program intend to apply to universities abroad. Last year, of all 146 students who concluded the IBDP, 145 enrolled in institutions of higher education in the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada, and several European countries.

**Academic Calendar:** Grades 9-12 use a semester calendar, with term 1 (09/13/21-01/20/22), term 2 (01/21/22-05/27/22), final exam, and year-end grades reported. The IB system provides for predicted grades in the fall of the last year, whereas the Genikon Lykeion system does not.

Ranking: Our school does not rank students.

#### Athletics, Clubs, and Activities

In addition to the Physical Education program, which is part of the curriculum, students participate in team sports and track and field. The school teams participate in regional and national school tournaments.

The "A" Association is the athletic club of Athens College – Psychico College (since 1937) whose purpose is to encourage and to advance fair play and good sportsmanship amongst students, as well as to cultivate and support our School's sports activities both within the College and outside. Criteria for admission include: previous athletic distinctions, the candidate's academic performance, as well as his/her ethos, and espousal of the above-mentioned principles.

More than twenty clubs and extracurricular activities are available to students, with Forensics, Model United Nations, and UNESCO among the most selective. Students also may choose to write for the school's many publications: the "A $\Theta$ HNAIO $\Sigma$ " and "PRO[S]KLISI" Greek magazines, the "As You Like It", "Punchline", and "IB Visions" English magazines, the "NEA TOY KOAAETIOY" Greek newspaper. The senior class publishes the Student Yearbook, " $\Theta$ H $\Sigma$ AYPO $\Sigma$ ". Finally, the Drama Club performances are of professional standards, having won many prizes in Pan-Hellenic competitions.

Students also participate in philanthropic activities such as Community Service Day, and volunteer with the "Floga Cancer Society," the Greek Red Cross, the WWF, and refugee-support organizations in recent years.

The annual three-day school fair, "Panigyri", is the culminating event of the various school activities; presentations by clubs, fund-raising activities, musical and theatrical performances attended by the school and the Athenian community.

Students in Grades 10-12 participate in 4 public speaking contests, three of them in Greek and one in English. They are among the school's most prestigious events.

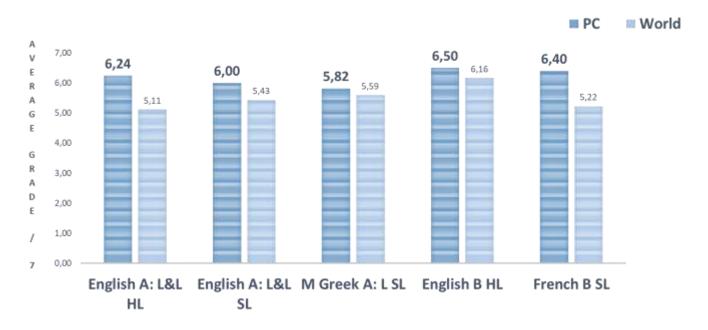
## North American College Matriculation (Classes of 2020 and 2021)

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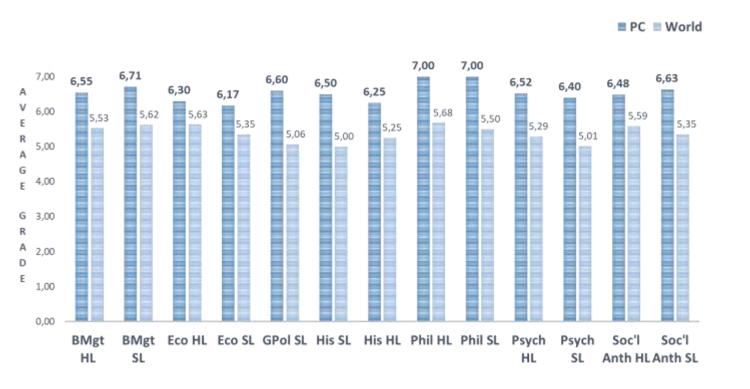
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| 1 | Princeton                         | 1 | Bentley                         |
| 6 | Purdue                            | 2 | Boston College                  |
| 1 | Quinnipiac                        | 4 | Boston University               |
| 1 | Rice                              | 2 | Brown                           |
| 1 | Rollins                           | 1 | Bryan                           |
| 1 | Southern Cal Inst of Architecture | 3 | Columbia                        |
| 2 | Stanford                          | 1 | Cornell                         |
| 1 | The New School - Parsons          | 1 | Cooper Union                    |
| 3 | Tufts                             | 1 | Dartmouth                       |
| 3 | UC Berkeley                       | 3 | Davidson                        |
| 9 | UC LA                             | 1 | Duke                            |
| 1 | UC San Diego                      | 1 | Elon                            |
| 2 | UC Santa Barbara                  | 1 | Emory                           |
| 1 | U Chicago                         | 1 | Fashion Institute of Technology |
| 1 | U Illinois Urbana Champaign       | 2 | Fordham                         |
| 2 | U British Columbia-Canada         | 3 | George Washington               |
| 3 | U Mass @ Amherst                  | 6 | Georgetown                      |
| 3 | U Miami                           | 3 | GA Institute of Technology      |
| 2 | U Michigan                        | 1 | Hult                            |
| 2 | U Pennsylvania                    | 2 | Johns Hopkins                   |
| 1 | U South Florida                   | 1 | Loyola University Chicago       |
| 1 | U Southern California             | 1 | Lynn                            |
| 1 | U of Toronto - Canada             | 2 | McGill, Canada                  |
| 1 | U Virginia                        | 2 | MIT                             |
| 1 | Vanderbilt                        | 6 | New York University             |
| 1 | Williams                          | 3 | Northeastern                    |
| 3 | WPI                               | 1 | Northwestern                    |
| 1 | Yale                              | 1 | Pace                            |
|   |                                   | 1 | Pomona                          |
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## CLASS OF 2021 IB DIPLOMA RESULTS PSYCHICO COLLEGE V WORLD AVERAGES

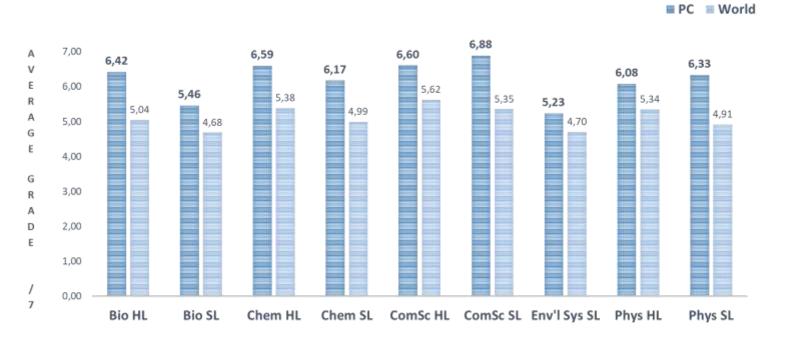
2021 Average Grade Distribution LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE/LANGUAGE ACQUISITION (Groups 1 & 2)



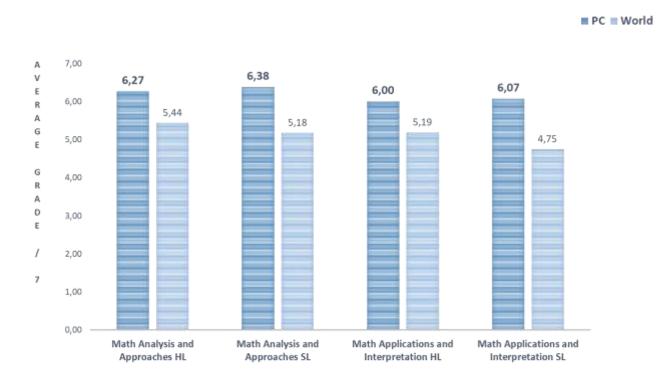
2021 Average Grade Distribution INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETIES (Group 3)



# 2021 Average Grade Distribution SCIENCES (Group 4)



# 2021 Average Grade Distribution MATHEMATICS (Group 5)



## 2021 Average Grade Distribution THE ARTS (Group 6)

