

OVERVIEW

- Established in 1987 and situated at its current site at the Cité Scolaire Internationale in Lyon since 1992
- Located on the banks of the river Rhone, in Gerland, Lyon.
- The Anglophone Section is a private section within a French public school.
- The Cité Scolaire Internationale incorporates 9 different International Sections: British, American, Arabic, Chinese, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Polish & Spanish. Students: 580 students ranging in age from 6 years to 18 years old.
- Curriculum: French curriculum (in French) plus 6-8 hours per week in the language of their Section.
- All Anglophone Section students work toward the Baccalauréat Français International in either the British or American Option.

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OUR MISSION

Our mission in the Anglophone Section is to provide an exceptional learning environment for our bilingual students. Working within the international context of the CSI Lyon, we are committed to instilling a love of learning in our students. We believe that children learn best when they are supported and respected as individuals in a safe learning environment. Our standards are high, academically and personally, and we strive to support our students as they work towards fulfilling their potential. When our students leave the school and move out into the wider world, they will do so as engaged, responsible, open-minded and tolerant global citizens, fully prepared to meet the challenges that lie ahead.



CLASS OF 2024



BFI Candidates graduated

100%



★ Graduated with mention très bien **37%**

★ Graduated with mention assez bien **37%**

★ Graduated with mention bien **16%**

Moving onto university / collège

100%

THE ANGLOPHONE SECTION AT THE CITÉ SCOLAIRE INTERNATIONALE, LYON

The Cité Scolaire Internationale in Lyon (CSI Lyon) welcomes students wishing to follow an international curriculum within the French education system, leading to the BFI (Baccalauréat Français International). CSI Lyon is a state (public) school and while the primary and collège are reserved for International Section students, the lycée is both an international high school and the local high school for students from the surrounding area.

The CSI Lyon has nine International Sections: Anglophone (British & American), Arabic, Chinese, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Polish and Spanish, and welcomes over 2000 students each year. The CSI Lyon's founding mission is to meet the educational needs of families who are relocating to France from across the world. This includes many French families who have spent time living and working abroad as well as British, American and other Anglophone families in France.

The Anglophone Section is a private section within a public school. Entrance is selective, based on English tests (oral, writing and reading) and interviews. The Anglophone Section has over 580 students (Grades 1 to 12), representing 48 different nationalities including French, American, British, Australian, Canadian and Irish. All of our students speak fluent English, regardless of their nationality. The great majority of our teachers are native English-speakers with teaching and degree qualifications from Anglophone countries.



THE FRENCH BACCALAUREATE

All of our high school students follow the French curriculum, as set by the French Ministry of Education as they work towards the Baccalaureate.

- Up to and including 2nde (10th grade): students study a common core curriculum.
- Première (11th grade): in addition to their core subjects students choose three of a range of advanced speciality subjects/
- Terminale (12th grade) students carry on with two of their chosen speciality subjects in addition to the core subjects outlined above.

The French Baccalaureate is an academically rigorous and challenging programme, which encourages self-discipline and high levels of personal organisation. The programme culminates in final exams during 11th and 12th Grade. All Anglophone Section students take a specialisation within the Baccalaureate, the **Baccalauréat Français International** (BFI).

COURSE LOAD & SCHOOL HOURS

High school students in France often carry a course load of 30+ hours each week, with a corresponding amount of homework of 1-2 hours each night. School hours vary but often run from 08h00 to 17h30 in the high school years, sometimes later. Coupled with the academically-demanding nature of the course, participation in extra-curricular activities can be a challenge. Equally, schools in France do not customarily offer sports teams or musical groups: young people are expected to pursue these interests independently in their own time outside of school.

Common Core Subjects

Philosophy
French Language & Literature
History & Geography
Foreign Languages
Physical Education
Music / Visual Arts
General Science

Advanced Speciality Subjects (11th & 12th Grade)

Advanced Mathematics
Computer Science
Physics & Chemistry
Biology & Earth Sciences
History & Geopolitics
Social & Economic Sciences
Literature & Humanities
Languages & Literature in Translation.

A DUAL-LANGUAGE EDUCATIONAL CHOICE

The founding mission of the CSI Lyon is to provide dual-language education for students, starting in Grade 1 and continuing all the way to Grade 12. Throughout their time at the school, students will spend the majority of their time with their French teachers; in addition they will spend between 6 to 8.5 hours each week with their Section teachers.

At the elementary school level, the Anglophone Section curriculum focuses on reading, writing, speaking and listening to ensure that our students are confident in their English-language skills.

In middle and high school students will study the full French curriculum with their French teachers plus English Language & Literature, History/Geography and Contemporary Global Studies in English, in the Anglophone Section.



THE BACCALAUREAT FRANCAIS INTERNATIONAL

The Baccalaureat Francais Internationale (BFI) is a specialisation of the French Baccalaureat. It was introduced in 2022: given that the Baccalaureat is a two-year programme, this means that the first BFI examinations will be held in 2024. The BFI replaces the Option Internationale du Baccalaureat (OIB) and introduces a new subject (Contemporary Global Studies) to be taught in the International Sections.

The BFI is an academically challenging programme with a high degree of rigour and intellectual breadth. It is a demanding programme, both bilingual and bicultural, which prepares students well for the world of further study and work.



EXAMINATIONS, GRADING & RANKING

In addition to their French baccalauréat examinations, students in the Anglophone Section will take final exams in the following subjects:

- Approfondissement, culturel et linguistique (ACL) - English language & literature: written and oral exams.
- History-Geography (discipline non-linguistique): written and oral exams.
- Contemporary Global Studies (Connaissances du monde): oral exam / presentation.

The BFI exams form a significant proportion of each student's final grade in the Baccalauréat: up to 48% of the final mark.

The French Baccalauréat and the BFI grading scales differ in approach from those used in most US schools. Across all educational levels, from elementary school to university, grades in France are determined using a 20-point scale. Evaluation is typically based on essay-style assessments: the grade takes into account various aspects including reasoning abilities, structure and presentation of arguments, and written expression.

The French education system does not provide any national ranking of student results. Similarly, the Anglophone Section and the Cité Scolaire Internationale do not calculate or publish class or student rankings.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & OVERSEAS TRIPS

The Section offers a range of engaging extra-curricular activities for students: drama / theatre, creative writing and the Model United Nations programme. In the wider school students can get involved in various clubs and activities: chess, UNICEF fundraising, joining the student council, being an eco-delegué or standing for election as a class representative. Within the school, the Association Sportive offers a wide range of activities including climbing, yoga, badminton, basketball, volleyball. French schools do not offer any structured community service programmes so opportunities to pursue these are somewhat limited.

The Model United Nations clubs in middle and upper schools are hugely popular with our students and culminate in an annual MUN conference: the International Lyon MUN (ILYMUN) conference. Organised each year by students and held entirely in English, this event attracts student-delegates from all over the world to take part.

Two trips are organised each year for students in the upper school. In 10th Grade students who have chosen to study Drama take a trip to London, where they visit a range of theatrical and media institutions, as well as enjoying several different styles of live performances. In 11th Grade all students travel to London for a trip that focuses on English literature, history and geography, visiting many different museums, galleries and key cultural landmarks.

UNIVERSITY GUIDANCE SERVICE

The Section provides a comprehensive University Guidance Service for all students that want to pursue higher education options in English. Students and their parents are invited to participate in information sessions from 9th Grade onwards, and are offered one-on-one meetings during 10th / 11th / 12th Grade, depending on which course or institutions they are interested in applying to. The UNIFROG platform is available to all students and their parents, enabling them to research their options and organise their applications.

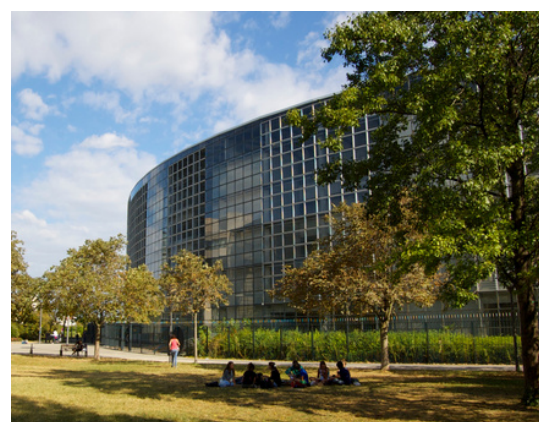


Bac / OIB Results	2022 National	2022 CSI Anglophone	2023 National	2023 CSI Anglophone	2024 National	2024 CSI Anglophone
Highest honours (<i>Très bien 16/20</i>)	12,4%	34,8%	12,2%	26%	13,7%	37,5%
High honours (<i>Bien 14/20</i>)	24,5%	45,4%	23,3%	46%	24,5%	37,5%
Honours (<i>Assez bien 12/20</i>)	30,3%	16,6%	29,6%	16%	30,5%	16,25%
Passing grade (<i>Passable 10/20</i>)	27,5%	3,2%	28,5%	11%	27,5%	8,75%

Standardised Testing The Anglophone Section does not directly offer preparation or delivery of SAT or ACT testing. We work with external providers that offer these services, though this means that students need to work towards these assessments in their own time. The US option of the BFI is quality assured by the US College Board.

HIGHER & FURTHER EDUCATION

Virtually all Anglophone Section graduates go on to higher education education studies, either in France or overseas. While the relative numbers choosing to go to different destinations changes over the years, the US & Canada and the UK remain popular choices. The international nature of the Section means that students are well-prepared to study in a variety of countries and cultures. The rigorous academic curriculum, combined with the emphasis on language learning and cultural immersion, provides graduates with a solid foundation for success in their future studies and careers.



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS 2016-2024

USA and Canada: Cornell University, Barnard College, Bowdoin College, Swarthmore College, Harvard University, Northeastern University, NYU, Carnegie Mellon, Texas A&M, Syracuse University, Georgetown University, Eckerd College, Princeton University, Rutgers University, Iowa State University, Oregon State University, University of Michigan, California State University, Portland State University, Pennsylvania State University, Colorado University, Duke University, University of Houston, McGill University, Concordia University, Bishops University, McMaster University, University of British Columbia, University of Toronto, Polytechnique Montréal HEC Montréal

UK and Ireland: University of Cambridge, University of Oxford, London School of Economics, Imperial College London, Kings College London, University of Bristol, University of Manchester, University of Birmingham, University of Leeds, University of Liverpool, University of Durham, University of Warwick, University of York, University of Nottingham, University of Newcastle, University of East Anglia, Royal Holloway, University of Manchester, University of Edinburgh, University of Glasgow, University of Strathclyde, University of Stirling, University of St Andrews, Trinity College, University College Dublin, Bangor University, Cardiff University.

France: Université de Technologie de Compiègne, Science Po Lyon, Sciences Po Reims, Sciences Po Grenoble, HEC Paris, EDHEC, École supérieure de journalisme de Lille, CPE Lyon, École Émile Cohl, EMLyon Business School, ENSBA Beaux Arts, INSA, Institut Paul Bocuse, ISARA, École Centrale Marseille, École Polytechnique de Paris, ESMOD, Panthéon-Sorbonne, Prépa Lycée Henri IV.

Netherlands: Leiden University, Maastricht University, University of Tilburg, University of Groningen, Erasmus University Rotterdam, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam University College, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Delft Technical University, Saxion University, HZ University, University of Wageningen.

Other: Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne in Switzerland, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Bocconi, IE University in Spain, Victoria University of Wellington, ESSEC Business School Asia Pacific in Singapore, University of Western Australia, Leopold Franzens University of Innsbruck in Austria.