



Taunton School is a traditional co-educational boarding school in South West England for pupils aged 2-18. The school was founded in 1847 and the beautiful old buildings are complemented by modern facilities.

Taunton School International welcomes pupils aged 14-17. It is a small, friendly and supportive study centre. The students are encouraged to take part in house events, activities, excursions, music and sports that happen in Taunton School. Involvement in wider social life further prepares them for their next school.

UK high school education takes 4 years. During the first 2 years students study for **GCSE** exams and during the second 2 years they study for **A Levels** or the **IB Diploma** - the qualifications which are the most common methods used to enter British universities.

Programmes

One Year GCSE programme (15+)- these are the examinations that students take at the end of Year 11, when they are 16. It normally takes two years to study GCSEs. The One- Year GCSE programme is an intensive course which allows students to take up to 8 GCSEs in half the time of a normal school course.

Two Year GCSE programme (14+)- students who are not able to join the One-Year programme because of their level of English and/or their age can take the Two Year GCSE programme. They will leave with up to 10 GCSEs.

Pre-IB programme (15+)- this is an intensive course which includes the One Year GCSE Programme and adds to it the distinctive approach to learning, of the IB.

Senior Summer school (14-17)- courses run for 3 or 6 weeks in July and August for students aged 14 to 17. In the summer, students are able to study 15 hours of English a week plus 10 hours of other academic subjects. Students enjoy a wide range of sports, evening activities and excursions, and there is always something happening to keep the students busy and happy. This is an academic summer school where the emphasis is on learning and preparation for entry into the British Boarding school system.

Junior Summer School (7-13) - courses run for 2, 3 or 5 weeks in July and August for students aged 7 to 13. Students study English and other academic subjects taught by specialist primary school teachers. The emphasis is on a fun but challenging learning environment in a traditional British Boarding school.

Junior International Group (age 7-13)- JIG is a small class of a maximum of 10 international students. International students live with the British students in the boarding houses and they are taught English in a small tutorial style class by a specialist EAL teacher. The intensive English tuition allows pupils to quickly improve their language enabling them to fully integrate into Taunton Prep School classes.

Facilities



The school has its own playing fields, 2 recreation halls, a laundry, IT room and a language laboratory. Taunton School International shares Taunton School's campus and the students are able to use the school's facilities which include two swimming pools, a fitness suite, tennis courts, sports fields and sports halls.

Accommodation



Taunton School International has three boarding houses each of which has a House Tutor. Bedrooms are usually allocated on an age basis with the older students having their own single study bedroom and the younger students sharing in mixed nationality bedrooms. The bedrooms are comfortable and well equipped.

Sport

We offer a wide range of sports- swimming , football, basketball, badminton, tennis, aerobics, joga, horse riding, martial arts, chess.

Art

Students who play a musical instrument are able to have individual music lessons in Taunton School's Music School. We also encourage students to play in the school orchestra, choir or jazz band and house drama competitions.

Leisure

UK boarding schools are famous for offering their students a rich and varied life outside the classroom. Taunton School offers many extra-curricular activities- sports, activities, excursions.

Fees

The academic year consists of 3 terms. The fees per term are:

GCSE /Pre-IB **£9,900*** *2010/11 fees

Junior International Group **£6775*** (for all year groups) *2009/10 fees

Deposit £500 for EU, £2.500 for rest of world. This deposit is refundable and payable upon acceptance.

Summer School **£900* per week** *2010 fees (Fees include tuition, teaching materials, City & Guilds Exam or Cambridge Young Learners Exam, accommodation, food, laundry, activities, excursions and transfers from the airport)

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