The American School of Warsaw sees the future reflected in our students’ independent thinking, humane values and ethical actions in the realization of their dreams. We envision our students as active and responsible world citizens who are principled, compassionate and innovative life-long learners and leaders.

The American School of Warsaw is a college-preparatory, Pre-K through grade 12, independent, not-for-profit international community school. ASW offers both the American High School Diploma and the International Baccalaureate Diploma. Founded in 1953, ASW has been a leader in international education for more than 60 years, providing a rigorous, supportive, and welcoming environment to all of our 960 Pre-K to grade 12 students.

ASW is located in Warsaw, the historic yet modern capital of Poland. Poland provides a rich backdrop for education. A center for science, technology, and business, Poland has one of the strongest economies in Europe. With a strong national appreciation for the arts, Warsaw supports a professional Opera, Ballet, and National Symphony as well as a National Gallery of Art and a Modern Art Museum, all of which enrich our community and our classrooms.

In 2001 ASW moved to a state-of-the-art 25 acre campus just south of the Warsaw city limits in a 31,716 sq meter complex that includes 101 classrooms, a 365 seat performing arts theater, a black box classroom theater, 4 football fields, an indoor swimming pool, a community fitness center, 5 music rooms, as well as additional field and play areas.

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**International Baccalaureate Program**

The IB Diploma requires successful completion of 6 two-year-long academic subjects from prescribed areas, a course in Theory of Knowledge, an independently researched essay of 4000 words, as well as documented hours in the areas of Creative Growth, Activity, and Service to Others.

**Academic Program**

ASW offers a college-preparatory American curriculum in addition to the International Baccalaureate Program. Elective offerings include Fine Arts, Theater, Technology, and Music in addition to a wide array of Native and Foreign Language offerings. Native language instruction is available in Polish, English, German and Swedish. Foreign Language offerings include Polish, French, German, and Spanish. In addition support is provided through Grade 10 for English as an Additional Language Learners.

**IB Grade Distribution for the Class of 2016**

ASW allows open enrollment in all IB courses. Students enrolled in an IB class are required to complete all IB course requirements.

**SAT Data for the Class of 2017**

Reading Middle 50%: 580-660
Reading Median: 620
Math Middle 50%: 580-670
Math Median: 630

**ACT Data for the Class of 2016**

Composite Middle 50%: 26-30
Composite Median: 27
grading system

ASW provides both Achievement Grades and Approach to Learning Grades. Achievement Grades are marked on a 1-7 scale:

1: Minimal achievement in terms of the objectives. No Credit Awarded

2: Very limited achievement against all the objectives. The student has difficulty in understanding the required knowledge and skills, and is unable to apply them fully in normal situations, even with support. No Credit Awarded

3: Limited achievement against most of the objectives, or clear difficulties in some areas. The student demonstrates a limited understanding of the required knowledge and skills and is only able to apply them fully in normal situations with support.

4: A good general understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them to a wide variety of situations. There is occasional evidence of the skills of analysis, synthesis and evaluation.

5: A consistent and thorough understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them almost faultlessly in a wide variety of situations. There is consistent evidence of analysis, synthesis and evaluation where appropriate. The student generally demonstrates originality and insight.

6: A consistent and thorough understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them in a wide variety of situations. There is consistent evidence of analysis, synthesis and evaluation where appropriate. The student generally demonstrates originality and insight.

7: A consistent and thorough understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them almost faultlessly in a wide variety of situations. There is consistent evidence of analysis, synthesis and evaluation where appropriate. The student consistently demonstrates originality and insight and always produces work of high quality.

Students are also evaluated in 4 Approaches to Learning (AtL) Categories:

- Work & Deadlines: Ability to work to Established Timelines
- Ownership of Learning: Self Advocacy, Self Reflection, Perseverance & Resilience
- Self-Management: Organization & Time Management Skills
- Engagement & Interaction: Cooperation, Interaction, Treating Others with Respect

Approach to Learning Descriptors:
- Exemplary
- Proficient
- Approaching
- Does Not Meet

In accordance with our Mission & Vision, ASW does not weight grades, calculate GPA, or rank its students.

Grading System Prior to 2012-2013:
100-60 = Passing Grade
59-0 = Failing Grade

The ASW Transcript offers a conversion scale from the 7-1 scale to the 100-0 scale.

extra-curricular program

ASW Students are able to participate in a wide variety of athletic, cultural and service-oriented activities. ASW is a full member of regional sport and cultural associations including the Central Eastern European Schools Association (CEESA) as well as the Sports Council of International Schools (SCIS). The three seasons of sports include varsity and junior varsity teams for soccer, volleyball, basketball, swimming, softball, tennis, track & field, and cross country. Students may also participate in many other activities, including jazz band, speech & debate, outdoor clubs, environmental clubs, Model United Nations, math team, and student council.

graduation requirements

English 4
Math 3
Science 3
Social Studies 3
Foreign Language 3
Physical Education 2
Creative Arts 1
Electives 4

A minimum of 23 credits is required for graduation.
course offerings 2016/2017

English
- English 9
- English 10
- Advanced English 11/12
- IB English Language SL/HL
- IB English Literature SL/HL

Fine & Performing Arts
- Art Foundations 1/2
- Classical & Digital Photography 1/2
- Junior/Senior Visual Arts
- IB Visual Arts SL/HL
- Music
- Choir
- Concert Band
- Guitar
- Percussion Ensemble
- Theater
- Beginning Theater
- Advanced Theater
- Stagecraft
- IB Theater Arts SL/HL

Foreign Languages
- French 1/2/3/4
- German 1/2/3
- Polish 1/2/3
- Spanish 1/2/3
- IB French Ab initio
- IB German Ab initio
- IB Spanish Ab initio
- IB French SL/HL
- IB German SL/HL
- IB Spanish SL/HL

Languages for Native Speakers
- Native Polish 1/2
- Native German 1/2
- Native Swedish 1/2
- IB A1 Polish SL/HL
- IB A1 German SL/HL
- IB A1 Swedish SL/HL
- IB A1 Self-Taught Languages SL

Mathematics
- Algebra 1 & Geometry
- Advanced Algebra 1 & Geometry
- Algebra 2 & Trigonometry
- Advanced Algebra 2 & Trigonometry
- IB Mathematical Studies SL
- IB Mathematics SL/HL

Physical Education/Health
- PE/Health 9
- PE/Health 10

Science
- Introduction to Physical Science
- Biological Systems & Sustainability
- IB Biology SL/HL
- IB Chemistry SL/HL
- IB Physics SL/HL

Social Studies
- Modern World History
- Global Politics in Action
- 20th Century US History
- Economics
- IB Economics SL/HL
- IB History SL/HL
- IB Psychology SL/HL

Technology
- Design Solutions through Programming
- Robotics
- Design Technology
- IB Computer Science SL/HL

Non-Departmental Courses
- English for Academic Purposes
- Learning Skills
- Learning Support
- Theory of Knowledge
- Yearbook

university admittances for the class of 2016

USA
- American University
- Bates College
- Binghamton University, SUNY
- Boston University
- Brown University
- Cal State Poly Pomona
- Clark University
- Connecticut College
- Elon University
- Fordham University
- Frostburg State University
- Gettysburg College
- Hult International Business School
- Lake Forest College
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Marist College
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Pace University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pratt Institute
- Purdue University
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Suffolk University
- Syracuse University
- The New School
- Wesleyan University
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado, Boulder
- University of Iowa
- University of Miami
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- University of Tampa

UK
- Brunel University London
- City University London
- Coventry University
- Durham University
- Edinburgh Napier University
- Glasgow Caledonian University
- Glasgow School of Art
- Goldsmith's University of London
- Hull International Business School
- Instituto Marangoni London
- King’s College London
- Leeds College of Art & Design
- Liverpool John Moores University
- Loughborough University
- Middlesex University
- Nottingham Trent University
- Oxford Brookes University
- Queen Mary University of London
- Regent’s University London
- Royal Holloway, Univ. of London
- University College London
- University of Aberdeen
- University of the Arts London
- University of Bath
- University of Birmingham
- University of Brighton
- University of Cambridge
- University of Derby
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Essex
- University of Exeter
- University of Glasgow
- University of Greenwich
- University of Hertfordshire
- University of Leeds
- University of Manchester
- University of Oxford
- University of Plymouth
- University of Reading
- University of Salerno
- University of St. Andrews
- University of Surrey
- University of Warwick
- University of Westminster

India
- Manipal University
- Vellore Institute of Technology

Italy
- Universita Bocconi

Netherlands
- Erasmus University College
- Leiden University
- Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University

South Korea
- Chung-Ang University
- Ewha Womans University
- Korea Advanced Institute of Technology (KAIST)

CLASS OF 2016 UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION

USA 21%
South Korea 8%
Canada 4%
UK 37%
Italy 2%
Netherlands 5%
Poland 12%
Spain 2%
China 2%
India 2%
National Service/Gap Year 5%