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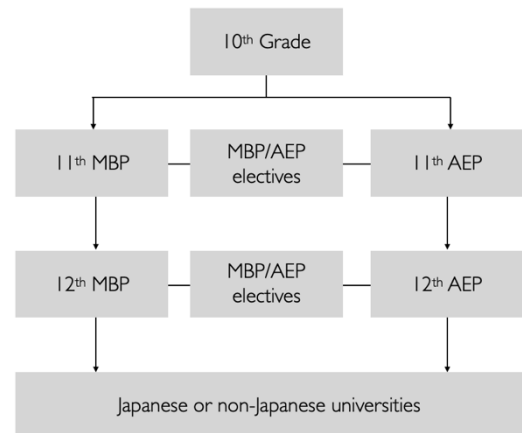
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History & Accreditation

Kumon Leysin Academy of Switzerland (KLAS) is a private, Japanese, co-educational boarding high school in the Alpine ski resort of Leysin, Switzerland. KLAS was founded in 1990 to provide students with a bilingual education in English and in Japanese, an understanding, awareness and appreciation of world history and cultures, and to instill in students a sense of independence and maturity that will support them as they pursue further education internationally after KLAS. The three-year high school (10th-12th grades) is made up of approximately 30 students per grade. There are 25 full-time teachers who assist students in academics and dorm life. The school year typically begins in July and ends in May and there are five terms per year. Students are in residence for all five terms (except for those eligible 12th graders who do a Summer Abroad Program in Term 1). KLAS is accredited by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) enabling its graduates to be eligible for acceptance into Japanese, as well as non-Japanese, universities. In addition, KLAS holds member with the European Council of International Schools (ECIS) and the Swiss Group of International Schools (SGIS).

Academic Programs/Courses & Credits

In the 10th grade, students follow the same program and take the same classes. For 11th and 12th grades, students apply to study on one of two programs: the Main Bilingual Program (MBP) or the Advanced English Program (AEP). Both programs offer a wide selection of English classes and elective courses in English or in Japanese. However, as the name suggests, AEP is designed for those who wish to challenge themselves by taking more classes in English, many of them content classes, whether they wish to go on to Japanese or non-Japanese universities.



9th Grade

Prior to attending KLAS, our students have attended various junior high schools throughout Japan and have met the 9th grade requirements of the Japanese MEXT, which is one year of Japanese, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, Music, Art (Drawing and Crafts), Physical Education, Technology, Home Economics and Foreign Language/English.

10th Grade

| Course | Lessons per week | | Language |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------|----------|
| | Term 1 | Terms 2-5 | |
| General Japanese | 4 | 4 | Japanese |
| Contemporary Society | 2 | 2 | Japanese |
| Math I/A | 4 | 5 | Japanese |
| Chemistry I | 2 | 2 | Japanese |
| Health Education | 0 | 1 | Japanese |
| Art | 3 | 3 | English |
| Oral Communication | 3 | 3 | English |
| Grammar | 3 | 3 | English |
| Reading | 3 | 3 | English |
| Writing | 3 | 3 | English |
| French | 0 | 2 | English |
| Information Technology | 0 | 2 | Japanese |
| Kumon Studies | 2 | 2 | Japanese |
| Study Skills | 1 | 0 | Japanese |
| Total | 30 | 35 | |

12th MBP

| Course | Lessons per week | | Language |
|---|------------------|-----------|--|
| | Term 1 | Terms 2-5 | |
| Contemporary Japanese B | 0 | 2 | Japanese |
| Classical Japanese B or College Prep Math | 0 | 2 | Japanese |
| College Prep World History or Physics II or College Prep English | 0 | 4 | Japanese |
| Japanese History B or Biology II or College Prep English | 0 | 4 | Japanese |
| Math III or French or Global Issues or AP Calculus or Research Project | 0 | 5 | Japanese English English |
| Politics, Economics & Ethics or Chemistry II or AP Art or Research Project or Global Issues | 0 | 5 | Japanese Japanese English English |
| English Expression | 0 | 3 | English |
| Grammar | 0 | 3 | English |
| Reading & Writing | 0 | 3 | English |
| English Literature | 0 | 4 | English |
| Total | 0 | 35 | |

11th Main Bilingual Program (MBP)

| Course | Lessons per week | | Language |
|--|------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| | Term 1 | Terms 2-5 | |
| Contemporary Japanese B | 2 | 2 | Japanese |
| Classical Japanese B | 0 | 2 | Japanese |
| World History B | 4 | 4 | Japanese |
| Japanese History I | 2 | 2 | Japanese |
| Math II or Precalculus or French | 3 | 4 | Japanese English |
| Math B or English Comprehension French | 2 | 2 | Japanese English |
| General Science & Geography A or Physics I & Biology I | 4 | 4 | Japanese Japanese |
| Health Education | 0 | 1 | Japanese |
| Oral Communication | 3 | 3 | English |
| Grammar | 3 | 3 | English |
| Reading | 3 | 3 | English |
| Writing | 3 | 3 | English |
| Kumon Studies | 1 | 2 | Japanese |
| Total | 30 | 35 | |

12th AEP

| Course | Lessons per week | | Language |
|---|------------------|-----------|--|
| | Term 1 | Terms 2-5 | |
| Contemporary Japanese B | 0 | 2 | Japanese |
| Classical Japanese | 0 | 2 | Japanese |
| World History | 0 | 4 | Japanese |
| Biology | 0 | 4 | Japanese |
| French or Global Issues or AP Calculus or Research Project | 0 | 5 | English English |
| Politics, Economics & Ethics or Chemistry II or AP Art or Research Project or Global Issues | 0 | 5 | Japanese Japanese English English |
| English Expression | 0 | 3 | English |
| Grammar | 0 | 3 | English |
| Reading & Writing | 0 | 3 | English |
| English Literature II | 0 | 4 | English |
| Total | 0 | 35 | |

11th Advanced English Program (AEP)

| Course | Lessons per week | | Language |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| | Term 1 | Terms 2-5 | |
| Contemporary Japanese B | 2 | 2 | Japanese |
| Classical Japanese B | 0 | 2 | Japanese |
| World History | 4 | 4 | English |
| Japanese History A | 2 | 2 | Japanese |
| Math II or Precalculus or Art | 3 | 4 | Japanese English |
| Physics | 3 | 3 | English |
| Health Education | 0 | 1 | Japanese |
| Oral Communication | 3 | 3 | English |
| Grammar | 3 | 3 | English |
| Writing | 3 | 3 | English |
| English Literature I | 4 | 4 | English |
| General Science English | 1 | 2 | English English |
| Total | 30 | 35 | |



Extracurricular Activities

The Hague International Model United Nations
Student Council Committees & Events
Social Service Club
Musical Production in English
Pre-College Program with Waseda University
Kumolympics Sports Day
Three-day Swiss Cultural Trips
Five-day European Cultural Trips
Student Exchange Program with Canada
Humanitarian Trips
Community Outreach with Japanese Open House
Association for Music in International Schools (AMIS) International Solo & Ensemble Festival
English Speech Contest
Extensive Club and Interest Group Activities
Sports Competitions: Swiss Group of International Schools (SGIS) &
Association des Directeurs d'Instituts de la Suisse Romande (ADISR)

Grades and Evaluation

Students are evaluated several times a year and receive feedback at least at the end of two of the five terms, though often more. KLAS uses the following grading scale in all programs and courses.

| Grade | Overall Percentage | Interpretation |
|-------|--------------------|----------------|
| 5 | 87-100% | Excellent |
| 4 | 73-86% | Good |
| 3 | 59-72% | Satisfactory |
| 2 | 45-58% | Pass |
| 1 | ≤ 44% | Fail |

Grades and Evaluation

Students are promoted to the next academic year if they earn a minimum year-end grade of 2 in all subjects. 106.5 credits (35.5 per grade) are required for graduation.

Graduating students earn an Upper Secondary School Leaving Diploma (Kotogakko Sotsugyo Shomeisho).

Selective College Acceptances for 2017-2023

Australia & New Zealand

Auckland University of Technology
Griffith University
University of Melbourne, Trinity College
University of Queensland
University of Technology Sydney
Victoria University of Wellington

Europe

Bard College, Berlin (Germany)
Charles University (Czech Republic)
Glion Institute (Switzerland)
King's College London (UK)
McDaniel College (Hungary)
University of Birmingham (UK)
University of Manchester (UK)
University of Nottingham (UK)

Japan

Akita International University
Aoyama Gakuin University
Chuo University
Gakushuin University
Hirosaki University
International Christian University
Juntendo University
Kanazawa University
Kansai Medical University
Keio University
Kwansei Gakuin University
Meiji University
Niigata University
Rikkyo University
Ritsumeikan University
Sophia University
St. Luke's International University
Tohoku University
Tokyo Medical & Dental University
Tokyo University of Foreign Studies
University of Tsukuba
Waseda University

USA & Canada

Boston College
Gonzaga University
Hawaii Pacific University
Loyola Marymount University
Savannah College of Art & Design
University of Nebraska, Kearney
University of Washington
Dalhousie University
McGill University
Simon Fraser University
University of British Columbia
University of Toronto