

ACTIVITIES

We offer a diverse program of activities in sports, the arts, student organizations, community service and clubs.

COLLEGE MATRICULATION

The following universities enrolled PAS students in the past 2 years:

Brown University	USA
BYU	USA
La Roche College	USA
University of Chicago	USA
University of Pennsylvania	USA
Rollins College	USA
St. Thomas University	Canada
University of Toronto	Canada
Queens University Kingston	Canada
University of Waterloo	Canada
Universidad Catolica	Argentina
Universidad Nacional Cuyo	Argentina
St. George's College	UK
Westminster University	UK
Academia di Bellas Artes	Milan, Italy
International Film School	Paris, France
UFRGS	Brazil
Feevale	Brazil
PUCRS	Brazil



2011-12 School Profile for College and University Admissions

CEEB 910225

Located in Southern Brazil, the Pan American School (PAS) of Porto Alegre, founded in 1966, is an independent, not for profit, co-educational, non-denominational K-12 college-preparatory school. English is the language of instruction. Today the school enrolls approximately 350 students, some 60 of whom are in the high school. Nearly 15 nationalities are represented in the student body. Our mission and values define the school. PAS offers a well-balanced education based on best practices, a wide range of co-and extra curricular activities, a student-centered

approach to both teaching and learning and the strength of a globally-minded student body and faculty. PAS is an IB World School, presently PYP-authorized, and our aim is to instill in students the qualities embodied in the IB Learner Profile through grade 12 to help students become good communicators, open-minded, principled, inquirers, knowledgeable, thinkers, caring citizens, risk-takers, balanced, reflective and internationally minded citizens of the world.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to provide a multi-cultural learning environment of excellence, one that supports both English and Portuguese curricula and provides maximum opportunity for children to become confident, capable and respected citizens of the world.

OUR PHILOSOPHY AND VALUES

PAS is relationship driven. Our vision is that all our community members demonstrate integrity and honesty and develop as responsible, tolerant and respectful partners. The concept of family is highly valued and successful learning is seen as requiring a strong union between students, teachers and parents. We expect all our students to choose responsibly, demonstrate good manners, be safe and show respect to others and their environment.

ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIP

PAS is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Rio Grande do Sul's Department of Education and the International Baccalaureate Organization Primary Years Program. PAS is member of the Association of American Schools in South America, The Association of American Schools in Brazil and the College Board.

HIGH SCHOOL

A small, but rapidly growing school, PAS is offering rigor and challenge at the high school level. Our courses provide depth and breadth across all disciplines and include a wide range of AP options as well as classroom without walls, virtual high school and an array of co-curricular opportunities. Students typically earn a dual diploma: the United States High School Diploma and the Brazilian Diploma. We currently have approximately 60 students in the high school and the class of 2012 numbers 10 students.



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FACULTY, ADMINISTRATION AND GUIDANCE

We have approximately 50 full-time Faculty throughout the school representing several nationalities and diverse backgrounds. 27 faculty members hold advanced degrees; including one PhD. Twenty four are presently enrolled in various Masters Programs. Our Student/Teacher ratio is 6:1.

Mr. Jeffrey Michael Jurkovic, Ed.S
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CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To obtain the dual US and Brazilian Diplomas, students must earn a total of 29 credits in Grades 9 through 12. One credit is equivalent to a course that meets 4-5 hours per week for a full year. Graduation requirements are as follows:

English:	4
Mathematics:	4
Social Studies:	4
Biology:	1
Physics:	1
Chemistry:	1
Science Extension:	1
Portuguese Lang&Lit	4
Brazilian Social Studies:	2
Physical Education:	2
Electives:	4 (at least .5 in Art and .5 in IT)
Philosophy:	1
Total:	29

• 20 hours of community service are also required for the class of 2012



TESTING PROGRAMS

- Northwest Evaluation Association Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)
- PSAT
- SAT
- ENEM
- CESPE
- AP

SAT REASONING TEST AVERAGES FOR CLASSES OF 2011 AND 2012

Critical Reading	Math	Writing
542	557	545

AP COURSE OFFERINGS

We began offering AP courses in the academic year 08/09 and presently offer the following:

English Language & Composition, English Literature & Composition, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics B, Environmental Science, U.S History, Government & Politics, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, European History, World History, Art History, Spanish Language, French Language.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Our academic year begins in early August. Our long break is during the summer season in Brazil from mid-December to early February. The year ends late June and includes 185 contact days.



TRANSCRIPTS AND GRADING SYSTEM

A=94-100 **A-**=90-93 **B+**=87-89 **B**=84-86 **B-**=80-83 **C+**=77-79
C=74-76 **C-**=70-73 **D+**=67-69 **D**=64-66 **D-**=60-63 **F**=0-59

WEIGHTING AND RANKING POLICY

All AP Courses are given a weight of +1 for GPA calculation purposes. GPA is based on a 4.0 scale. PAS does not rank students due to the small size of our classes and the high mobility of our students.



FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM OF STUDIES

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English Lang&Lit 1	English Lang&Lit 2	English Lang&Lit 3	English Lang&Lit 4
Geometry	Algebra 2	Pre-Calculus	Calculus/Statistics
World History 3	World History 4	US History	Sociology/Government
Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Science Integration
Portuguese Lang&Lit	Portuguese Lang&Lit	Portuguese Lang&Lit	Portuguese Lang&Lit
Brazilian Soc Studies	Brazilian Soc Studies	Brazilian Soc Studies	Brazilian Soc Studies
Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education
Philosophy 1	Philosophy 2	Philosophy 3	Philosophy 4
Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
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• AP choices may substitute grade 10/11/12 courses in the corresponding departments