

OUR TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOL – A MODERN e-CAMPUS

You don't live in Brussels?

No problem, you can also become part of the iDSB community online!

External students from other German schools abroad can also complete their technical university entrance qualification at the iDSB via distance learning.

Virtual participation

- **If you do not live in Brussels, but you are registered at another German school abroad, you can also attend our technical secondary school virtually – comparable to distance learning.**
- You can follow the lessons in the compulsory subjects via distance learning. Subjects such as sports, afternoon study groups or possibly other foreign languages can be attended in your home country in class with students of the 11th and 12th grade as well as at certain fixed times in Brussels. The requirements for distance learning are the same as for face-to-face learning. This also applies to the internships to be completed.
- All you need is an internet connection and a computer with a camera and microphone. The distance learning takes place together with the face-to-face classes in Brussels, i.e. you will be connected via video and participate virtually in the class.
- Exams and final exams will still be taken at the International German School in Brussels for quality assurance purposes.
- A mentor assigned to you will help you navigate the virtual learning experience and will be your first point of contact.
- There are compulsory attendance phases at the International German School in Brussels.

Attendance phases at the iDSB

- **Kick-off week** in the first week of school (beginning of September):
 - ▶ You will get to know your classmates and the teaching team in Brussels.
 - ▶ It allows you to network and exchange ideas with other students at an early stage.
 - ▶ Learning agreements and class rules are made and recorded together in order to create the conditions for goal-oriented learning together.
 - ▶ You will get to know the localities of the school environment and your temporary accommodation/apartment.
- **Exam preparation week** (end of April for the written exam subjects, optional attendance), one week before the written exams with the goal:
 - ▶ You can talk to your teachers in person and prepare for your exams in the best possible way with the help of study groups on site.
 - ▶ This allows you to get used to the conditions at the exam location for the exams the following week.
- **Written exams** (early May, optional attendance): Four exam days spread over one school week
- **Oral exams** (mid-June): One to max. three days (depending on choice or necessity of oral exams)
- **Graduation ceremony with awarding of certificates** (mid/late June): at the iDSB together with all graduates.

Accommodation during the attendance phases

The iDSB supports you in finding accommodation for the attendance periods in Brussels. In addition to temporary furnished accommodation near the school, it is also possible to stay in nearby bed & breakfasts. We already have contacts with rental companies with whom we have had good experiences. The accommodations are within walking distance of the school. An individual and daily stay is also possible and can be organized and arranged in consultation with the iDSB. In addition, it is also possible for parents to organize their own accommodation for individual students. In this context, accommodation close to the school is recommended in order to avoid long commuting times. The costs for accommodation are not covered by the school.

**Imagine,
the future will be great –
and you are in!**



“ I am very pleased that with our virtual classroom we can now also offer access to the technical secondary school to other young people who do not live in Brussels.

K. Zettl,

Head of the Technical secondary school

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We are looking forward
to meeting you!

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OUR FOS-CONCEPT

” The “FOS” is the perfect solution for my daughters because the business baccalaureate allows them to focus on their strengths, inclinations and personal specialist interests at an early stage.

C. Burgos Kuffner, parent

The iDSB technical secondary school – The practical career path with virtual classroom

You finally want to put your theoretical knowledge into practice? Would you like to gain concrete experience in the professional world while you are still at school? Then perhaps the practical path to the technical university entrance qualification of our “FOS” just right for you.

The International German School Brussels (iDSB) offers a two-year course of study with a focus on business & administration and social affairs, which concludes with the technical university entrance qualification (Fachhochschulreife). The vocational orientation of the school subjects, combined with internships lasting several months, allows students to gain experience before entering the working world and thus provides them with an optimal introduction to the professional world. The technical university entrance qualification also entitles students to study at a University of Applied Sciences in Germany and internationally at numerous universities with a Bachelor/Master structure.

What are the prerequisites?

The prerequisite for admission to the technical secondary school is the intermediate school leaving certificate and a grade point average of at least 3.0 on the 10th grade report card in German, English, mathematics and the entirety of all other subjects (excluding sports).

What distinguishes the technical secondary school?

We attach great importance to a good general education. A high number of hours in the subjects German, Mathematics and English guarantees optimal preparation for exams. Our small classes additionally support an individual and intensive learning experience.

Subjects

- German, English, Mathematics, Physical Education, optional second foreign language (French or Dutch) as well as Biology, Chemistry, Social Studies and History
- **Specialized subjects**
 - ▶ For the area of **Business & Administration:** Business Administration, Accounting, Economics, Law and Business Informatics.
 - ▶ For the **Social** area: Pedagogy/Psychology, Music and/or Art Education, Economics.
- In grade 11, students must complete 800 hours of business internship in two blocks of 9 and 11 weeks in addition to theory classes.
- In grade 12, students prepare intensively for the technical university entrance qualification
- Exams and final examinations continue to be taken on site for quality assurance purposes.



” The business knowledge taught at the technical high school prepares me in the best possible way for my subsequent business informatics studies.

F. Lopau, “FOS”-student

Internships

- The internships are organized by the students themselves, with the school providing support and advice in the search and application process.
- 800 hours of internship in two blocks of 9 and 11 weeks in grade 11.
- Students can apply to local companies as well as companies abroad.
- **Internships in the Fields of Business and Administration:**
 - ▶ Industry and commerce
 - ▶ Tax, business and legal consulting companies
 - ▶ Banks, other financial service providers
 - ▶ Insurance companies
 - ▶ National representations
 - ▶ Media companies
 - ▶ Administration (e.g. financial and judicial administration)
- **Internships in the Social Sector:**
 - ▶ Day care center/nursery
 - ▶ Youth center
 - ▶ Primary school
 - ▶ Therapeutic pedagogic internship in a support facility
 - ▶ Social pedagogical internship in a hospital, old people's home or mobile care service



” With my intermediate school-leaving certificate from the Realschule I was able to quickly enter the “FOS”, which gave me the opportunity to complete my school diploma in a short period of time.

F. Prünste, “FOS”-student

Career

Graduates of the technical secondary school are awarded the general technical university entrance qualification (“Allgemeine Fachhochschulreife”) after successfully passing the examination. With the acquisition of the general entrance qualification for Universities of Applied Sciences, students have many options open to them: It entitles them to take up studies in any subject at one of the more than 200 Universities of Applied Sciences in Germany, as well as at art colleges (specializing in music, theater, film and visual arts), and in some federal states also to take up a bachelor's degree program. After completing a degree at a University of Applied Sciences, it is possible to transfer to a university, in some cases already after the basic studies.

In other countries, such as the Netherlands, graduates of Universities of Applied Sciences can be admitted directly to a bachelor's degree program. In Belgium, graduates can apply directly to a university. And of course, with practical work experience behind you, entering a (dual) vocational training program is a very good option.



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Are you interested? Then you are right with us!

Here you will find all important information about the technical secondary school (FOS) of the International German School Brussels