



St. Augustine High School

Cambridge A.I.C.E.

**Advanced International
Certificate of Education**

What is A.I.C.E.?

- Advanced studies program affiliated with Cambridge International Examinations in the United Kingdom.
- C.I.E. is the largest program like this in the world with over 10,000 participating schools in over 160 countries
- Students explore areas of strength and interest while taking college-level courses in HS
- Rigorous, international curriculum that is heavily writing-based – strong emphasis on critical thinking, analysis, interpretation

Why AICE?

- Rigor of HS Coursework is the best predictor of college success
- Taking/doing well in AICE courses = college admissions advantage
- Extra GPA Points
 - AICE Courses 1.0 extra (Same as AP, IB and Dual Enrollment)
 - Pre-AICE Courses 0.5 extra
- Earn College Credit in HS (***over 540 US Colleges/Universities in the U.S. accept AICE credits***)
- Students who earn the AICE Diploma Award (& *have 100 community service hours*) automatically receive the Florida Academic Scholars Award (Bright Futures) regardless of GPA or SAT/ACT
- FSU study published fall 2012 found that between AP, IB, Dual Enrollment and AICE, students entering university having participated in AICE had the highest first year GPA.

The AICE Curriculum

- Curriculum requirements are customized to **YOUR STRENGTHS**
- Requirement for AICE Curriculum - Complete 7 AICE-level courses
 - At least one in each of 3 subject groupings:
 - Math/Science
 - Language
 - Humanities
 - AND the **Core** - AICE Global Perspectives
- Students who complete the AICE curriculum are exempt from HOPE, Economics, Practical/Fine Arts and the Virtual course requirement

Math/Science Courses

- AICE Biology
- AICE Chemistry
- AICE Environmental Management*
- AICE Physics
- AICE Math
- AICE Psychology*

*Can be used in either the Math/Science OR Humanities category

Languages

- AICE English Language 1
- AICE English Language 2
- AICE Spanish
- AICE French

Humanities and the Arts

- AICE Art and Design 1 (Digital, Draw/Paint or 3D)
- AICE Art and Design 2 (Digital, Draw/Paint or 3D)
- AICE International History
- AICE US History
- AICE European History
- AICE Literature 1
- AICE Literature 2
- AICE Psychology*
- AICE Environmental Management*

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The Core

- AICE Global Perspectives

Interdisciplinary and Skills

- AICE Thinking Skills
- AICE General Paper
- Global Perspectives A-Level

Other Advanced Courses

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- AP Studio Art 2-D Design
- AP Studio Art Drawing
- AP Studio Art 3-D
- Dual Enrollment (St. Johns River State College or Embry-Riddle)

9th Grade Schedule

- AICE English Language 1*
- Pre-AICE Biology
- AICE Geography*
- Geometry, Algebra 2 Honors, AICE Math
- Pre-AICE (Spanish or French) Language 1 (or 2)
- Elective (or Academy Course)
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College Level Class

10th Grade Schedule

- AICE English Language 2*
- AICE International History*
- Pre-AICE Chemistry
- Pre-AICE Language 2 or 3 (French or Spanish)
- Algebra 2 Honors, Pre-Calc., AICE Math or AP Calc. AB*
- Elective or Academy Course
- Elective (Optional: AICE Physics)

College Level Class

- Full 4 year course planning sheet available on AICE table

The AICE Student at SAHS

- Participates in multiple areas of interest
 - Very commonly – multiple academies
- Participates in service projects
- AICE Activities like AICE Game Day, AICE Alumni Luncheon, AICE Induction Ceremony, AICE Advisory Board, AICE College Tours, Spring Break Trips to Europe
- Has the most highly-trained teachers in the school
- Has a dedicated AICE School Counselor (Mrs. Bechtle) to guide them through every step of high school and college admissions

AICE Students Are Accepted to:

- ALL State Universities (the “U”s – UF, FSU, UCF, USF, etc.)
- Private FL Colleges Like:
 - University of Miami, Stetson University, Rollins College, Flagler College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Emory University, Jacksonville University, etc.
- Out of State Schools Like:
 - Johns Hopkins, University of Pennsylvania, University of Virginia, New York University, Stanford, Cornell, Columbia, Carnegie-Mellon, Boston University, University of North Carolina, Savannah College of Art and Design, United States Military Academy, University of Georgia, Parsons the New School for Design, Johnson and Wales, Georgia Tech, University of Alabama, Clemson, Wellesley, Davidson, Drexel...and many more!!

Is AICE Right for Me?

- Plan to attend a 4-year university after high school
- Highly Motivated for Academic Success
- Willing to complete assignments/study beyond the regular school day & seek out help when necessary
- What our Admissions Committee is Looking For:
 - FSA-ELA scores at the 70th percentile or higher, Math EOC scores – minimum level 3, prefer level 4 or 5
 - Successful completion of Algebra 1 Honors (strongly recommended, not required)
 - Strong writing ability
 - A/B students challenging themselves with advanced courses in middle school
 - Positive Teacher Recommendations

Admission Process

- Apply on HAC account by **February 10th, 2017**
 - www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/academies for more info.
- Send teacher recommendations to Mrs. Bechtle (one each from the current English, Math, Science, Social Studies teacher)
Rec. form available at <http://academies.stjohns.k12.fl.us/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/AICE-IB-Application-Teacher-Recommendation-2016-2017.pdf>

Private School Applicants only:

- Pre-Register at zoned school
- Submit most recent report card & any standardized testing results to Ms. Bechtle
- Everything should be received here at SAHS by the end of the day on **February 10th, 2017**
- Notification by the week of Feb. 27th, 2017 (or before, if possible!)

Out-of-Zone Applicants

- Choose SAHS Academy as 1st choice
- Select IB for 2nd choice if offered by your zoned school, and you have an interest
- Cannot select AICE as 2nd or 3rd choice if your zoned school has IB
- Distribute Teacher Rec. forms for AICE *now*
- We will review academy acceptances
- AICE decisions will be emailed to any student for whom we received Teacher Rec. forms – after Feb. 27th or so...

In a Nutshell

- FLEXIBLE
- Explore Multiple Interests in HS
- College Admissions Advantage
- Head start on College Credits
- Skills for College Success

Questions??

Remember to visit the AICE Website:

SAHS Website, click on "Departments", click on "AICE" in the drop-down menu
