

Institut Montana Zugerberg

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the International Baccalaureate Organisation, the Swiss Group of International Schools (SGIS)
and the Swiss Federation of Private Schools | Founded in 1926



Institut Montana is situated high above the city of Zug in the beautiful countryside of the Zugerberg. The international character of Institut Montana offers the unique opportunity to live together with people of different nationalities and cultures. The preparation of the students for responsible positions in society is one of the important characteristics of the educational tradition at Institut Montana. The co-ed day- and boarding-school offers a broad range of academic programs in English as well as in German. Classes at Montana are small (max. 15 students), and this allows the teachers to encourage the special abilities and talents of each of the students.

Academics

The school offers four academic programs: The Bilingual Elementary School (German/English) Grades 3 to 6, the Swiss Maturität (German or German/English), the American High School Diploma (English) and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma (English).

With the Swiss Maturität, which is recognized nationally and internationally, our students fulfill university entrance requirements. With the American High School Diploma our students have access to universities in the United States and with the IB Diploma the students have the possibility to go to universities throughout the world. In the last few years our students have been accepted to the following leading universities: Pennsylvania,

Northwestern, Princeton, Columbia (USA) – London School of Economics, Edinburgh, Bath, Warwick (UK) – McGill, Queens, British Columbia (Canada) – ETH, Hochschule St. Gallen (Switzerland).

Boarding and Campus Life

Our students normally reside in a double room and some in a single room.

In harmony with our humanistic traditions, cultural activities are granted a high priority at Institut Montana. Thanks to the school's central location, our students are able to take advantage of the many cultural offerings in Zug, Zurich, and Lucerne. We organize outings to performances, museums, exhibitions and concerts. In addition, alumni and friends of the school are often invited to speak about and discuss current social and cultural issues. Active participation in the arts is also important to us. Our theatre group has earned international acclaim and has performed at both the Edinburgh and the Avignon festival. Students with musical interests are serviced both by our own music teachers and at the Music School of Zug. Internal art exhibitions allow students to display their talents and accomplishments.

Sports Activities

Institut Montana has many sports facilities, including a gymnasium, a weight room, playing fields, tennis courts, a skating rink and an outdoor basketball court. The Zugerberg is an

ideal area for hiking, jogging and mountain biking.

Our students regularly take part in soccer, basketball and volleyball tournaments and regularly use the indoor swimming pool located not far from the school. Golf facilities and instruction are also available at an 18-hole course in our area.

In winter, we have an ice rink as well as a sled run and 25 km cross-country ski runs around all over the Zugerberg. Short ski lifts allow our students to learn alpine skiing and snowboarding right here at the school. Excursions are often taken to the best winter sport resorts in Switzerland.



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