



## **Woodstock School**

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## **Education for a World of Difference**

### **Information Profile 2011/2012**

Woodstock is a K-12, coeducational, Christian international residential school. Its college preparatory program leads to a U.S. high school diploma, Advanced Placement examinations, Cambridge University IGCSE examinations, and the Indian Marksheet.

An institution of academic excellence, Woodstock prepares students for global citizenship and college entry anywhere in the world through a liberal arts education, which emphasizes critical thinking skills and facility with a wide variety of research resources.

The school is a member of the European Council of International Schools, the Near East and South Asia Council of International Schools and the National Association of Independent Schools. Woodstock is accredited by the Middle States Association. Our last successful accreditation was in 2011.

### **Our Mission**

Woodstock School strives for excellence in teaching and learning, offering an exceptional education in a diverse international community. Inspired by our Indian Himalayan environment and our inclusive Christian tradition, we develop visionary, articulate and ethical individuals equipped to achieve their full potential in leadership and in life.

### **About Woodstock School**

Woodstock was established in 1854 primarily as a residential school for the children of missionaries living and working in Asia. Woodstock continues to have a Christian foundation while serving students of many backgrounds, ethnicities and faiths. Our aim is to develop students into world citizens who demonstrate a commitment to life-long learning, thoughtful stewardship and service to others. Students are encouraged to discover their academic and leadership strengths and to gain the experiences and tools necessary to study, work, and live in today's world. Today there are more than 4,000 Woodstock alumni worldwide, many of whom are prominent in their professions.

### **Location**

Located in a forest reserve in the foothills of the Himalayas near Mussoorie, North India, Woodstock offers students myriad opportunities to appreciate India's vibrant history and culture, to study complex human and environmental issues firsthand, and to live in the world's largest plural democracy.

## Campus Life

At Woodstock opportunities abound both during and outside of the regular school day for students to participate in sports, cultural, and social activities, as well as music, drama, creative writing, art and journalism. Students also participate in volunteer service to the community. Modern computer and science laboratories, extensive libraries and an intensive ESL programme for students in grades 4 through 9 augment the curriculum. Additionally, the Hanifl Centre for Outdoor Education and Environmental Study supports the school's programmes in leadership, outdoor education, service learning, and environmental science. An annual Activity Week is devoted to study, service, and skill development in diverse locations around India. Additional opportunities to travel through student exchanges and study abroad are available.

## Residence Life

The residence life programme is an integral part of a Woodstock education. Professional residence staff implement a residence curriculum and coordinate activities to complement and enhance the academic program. In the context of living in a diverse community, students learn about their own cultures as well as the values and perspectives of others through interactions with peers and staff from around the world. They discover shared values and create powerful bonds, with the understanding that transcending boundaries does not require obliterating distinctions among individuals and their diverse backgrounds.

## Academic Calendar

Woodstock's academic year begins in early August and ends in early June, with an eight-week winter break.

## Faculty

Half of the staff members are from India, and half are from the rest of the world. Faculty are recruited from many countries including the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Korea, and Europe. The teacher to student ratios are as follows: Elementary 1:14, and High School 1:20. Our low teacher to student ratios ensure adequate individual attention and allow teachers to assess each student's learning needs. Woodstock invests in high-quality professional development for staff both on and off-campus, utilizing outside seminars as well as bringing experts in various applicable fields to campus for training and consultation.

## Accreditation

Woodstock provides a college preparatory education, leading to an accredited U.S. high school diploma. Woodstock is accredited K-12 through the Middle States Association (MSA) of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Woodstock was the first school in Asia to receive this accreditation in 1959 and continues this accreditation. In 2007, Woodstock became the first school in Asia to be awarded the MSA's International Credential. In India, the Woodstock diploma is also recognized as equivalent to the 10+2 system by the Association of Indian Universities, the Indian Institutes of Technology, and the Council for Indian School Certificate examinations.

## Student Demographics 2011-2012

Student Body	Religious affiliation		Student nationalities according to passport				
		Christian	192	<b>SAARC Countries</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>Rest of the World</b>	<b>96</b>
Junior School (ECP-6)	105	Hindu	166	<b>Afghanistan</b>	<b>3</b>	Australia	4
Senior School (7-12)	405	Buddhist	63	<b>Bangladesh</b>	<b>2</b>	Canada	10
Students out on Exchange	5	Mixed	26	<b>Bhutan</b>	<b>15</b>	France	3
Total	515	Muslim	11	<b>India</b>	<b>230</b>	Germany	3
		Sikh	16	<b>Nepal</b>	<b>67</b>	Kenya	3
Boarders	437	Jain	3			Mexico	1
Day Scholars	78	Zoroastrian	4	<b>Rest of Asia</b>	<b>102</b>	Netherlands	1
		None stated	33	Japan	7	New Zealand	3
Boys	283			Myanmar	1	Norway	1
Girls	232			South Korea	63	Russia	4
				Taiwan, ROC	2	Switzerland	1
				Thailand	14	UK	4
				Tibet	10	USA	59
				Vietnam	9		

## College Placement–Class of 2011

Members of Woodstock’s Class of 2011 were offered places at the following institutions:

Bard College	Macalaster College	St. Olaf College
Bryn Mawr College	McGill University	SUNY Genesco
California College of the Arts	Miami University (OH)	Texas Christian University
Colby College	Mount Allison University	Trinity University
College of St. Scholastica	Penn State University	Truman State University
Drake University	Purdue University	University of British Columbia
Drexel University	Queen’s University	University of Toronto
George Washington University	Savannah College of Art & Design	University of Melbourne
Goshen College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of New Haven
Hope College	Seattle University	Wittenberg University
Hong Kong University	Smith College	
Les Roches Institute of Hotel Mgmt	St. John’s University (NM)	

**Students from the class of 2011 were offered over \$400,000 in financial aid, including a number of full scholarships.**

During the past five years, 95 percent of Woodstock graduates have gone on to full-time study in accredited institutions of higher learning. The following are some of the colleges and universities that have offered places to Woodstock students (excluding those listed above):

American University, USA	Imperial College, UK	St. Xavier’s College, India
Art Institute of Chicago, USA	Indiana University - Bloomington, USA	Stanford University, USA
Auckland University, NZ	Keio University, Japan	SUNY Stony Brook, USA
Babson College, USA	Lake Forest College, USA	Susquehanna University, USA
Barnard College, USA	Lasalle College of Arts, Singapore	Swarthmore College, USA
Bates College, USA	Lewis & Clark College, USA	Syracuse University, USA
Bentley University, USA	London School of Economics, UK	Temple University, USA
Boston College, USA	Loyola - Chicago, USA	Texas A & M University, USA
Bowdoin College, USA	Macalaster College, USA	Tufts University, USA
Brandeis University, USA	Michigan State University, USA	UC - Irvine
Brown University, USA	Middlebury College, USA	UC - San Diego
Bryn Mawr College, USA	Monash University, USA	University College London
California College of the Arts, USA	Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts, Singapore	University of California - Berkeley, USA
Carnegie Mellon University, USA	Nanyang Technological University, Singapore	University of California - Los Angeles, USA
Case Western Reserve University, USA	New York University, USA	University of California - San Diego, USA
Claremont-McKenna College, USA	Newcastle University, UK	University of Illinois, USA
Clark University, USA	Oberlin College, USA	University of Iowa, USA
Colby College, USA	Occidental College, USA	University of Liverpool, UK
Colgate University, USA	Olin College of Engineering, USA	University of Michigan, USA
College of William & Mary, USA	Parsons School of Design, USA	University of New Brunswick, Canada
Colorado College, USA	Pepperdine University, USA	University of Notre Dame, USA
Connecticut College, USA	Pitzer College, USA	University of Nottingham, UK
Cornell University, USA	Pomona College, USA	University of Pennsylvania, USA
Dartmouth College, USA	Pratt Institute, USA	University of Rochester, USA
Drexel University, USA	Purdue University, USA	University of Southern California, USA
Emory University, USA	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, USA	University of Texas - Austin, USA
Franklin & Marshall College, USA	Rochester Institute of Technology, USA	University of Waterloo, Canada
George Washington University, USA	Rose Hulman Institute of Technology, USA	University of Wisconsin - Madison, USA
Georgetown University, USA	Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Australia	Vassar College, USA
Georgia Institute of Technology, USA	Savannah College of Art and Design, USA	Warwick University, UK
Gordon College, USA	Singapore Institute of Management, USA	Wellesley College, USA
Grinnell College, USA	Smith College, USA	Wesleyan University, USA
Hamilton College, USA	SOAS, UK	Whitman College, USA
Harvard University (USA)	St Olaf College, USA	Williams College, USA
Haverford College, USA		

# The Woodstock Curriculum

## English: 4

Grade 9 English  
Grade 10 English (IGCSE)  
Grade 11 English AS  
Grade 12 English AS  
AP English Language  
AP English Literature

## Mathematics: 3

Algebra 1  
Geometry  
Algebra 2  
Pre-calculus  
Statistics  
Experimental Math and Science  
Advanced Math  
AP Calculus AB and BC  
AP Statistics

## Sciences: 4

IGCSE Biology  
IGCSE Chemistry  
IGCSE Physics  
Advanced Biology  
Advanced Chemistry  
Advanced Physics  
Environmental Science  
Experimental Math and Science  
AP Biology  
AP Chemistry  
AP Physics  
AP Environmental Science  
Sciences: 4

## Social Studies: 3

AP World History (2 year course over grades 9 and 10)  
Advanced Indian History  
Global Issues  
AP US History  
AP European History  
AP Comparative Government and Politics  
AP Psychology  
AP Microeconomics  
AP Macroeconomics  
Advanced Indian History  
Microeconomics (AP)  
Macroeconomics (AP)

## Fine and Performing Arts: 2

Grade 9 Art & Drama  
Grade 10 Art & Drama  
Design  
Digital Media  
Drawing  
Painting  
Sculpture  
Studio Art 1  
AP Studio Art  
Indian Music Lessons  
Western Music Lessons  
Music Theory  
AP Music Theory  
Orchestral, Band & Choral Ensembles  
Introduction to Theatre  
Advanced Drama

Physical Education, Health and Outdoor Education: 1½

## Modern Languages: 1 (advanced level)

Hindi (IGCSE & First Language)  
French (AP and IGCSE)  
English as a Second Language

## Religious Education: 1

Grade 9 Religious Education  
Grade 10 Religious Education  
Rough Guide to Christianity  
Introduction to New Testament  
Religions of India  
Philosophy of Religion

## General Electives

Journalism  
Advanced Journalism  
Yearbook

Most courses are 1 credit which is equal to 1 year (2 semesters) of study, although there are exceptions: Religious Education and Physical Education/Health/Outdoor Education are offered as year-long, minor courses for ½ credit.

Woodstock requires students to earn a total of 24 credits or the equivalent of 6 credits per year for transfer students.



## External Testing

The College Board's Advanced Placement exams are offered in Grades 10 (World History), 11 and 12, and students are encouraged to pursue the A>P> International Diploma. Selected grade 10 courses offer preparation for the University of Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) exams. Woodstock is an approved testing centre for the ACT, PSAT and SAT Reasoning and Subject tests.

### SAT Tests

Of the class of 2011, 60 students (76%) took the general SAT Reasoning Test, which included Critical Reading, Math, and Writing. The highest possible score in each section is 800.

Categories from 2006 onwards	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
Class of 2011(n=79)	556		
Class of 2010 (n=62)	569	613	578
Class of 2009 (n=65)	527	565	540
Class of 2008 (n=56)	538	581	541
Class of 2007 (n=59)	524	564	535

SAT II Subject Tests. The highest possible score is 800.

Subject	No. of students tested	Mean score
Biology	2	650
Chemistry	10	695
History US	5	668
Literature	6	612
Math I	3	603
Math II	17	692
Physics	9	628

### College Board Advanced Placement Tests

- 96% of the 79 members of the class of 2011 took AP exams (junior and senior years combined), with an average of 5.2 entries per student.
- 45% of their 402 scores were 3 or better (the highest possible score is 5).
- 24 scored 3 or above in at least three subjects.
- 14 scored 3 or above in at least five subjects.
- 9 scored 4 or above in at least three subjects.
- 1 students achieved 5 in eight subjects.
- 1 student scored 5 in five subjects.

2011 Results: # of AP test takers = 207 (Grades 10, 11, &12)		
Subject	No. of entries	% achieving 3 or higher
English Language	72	64%
English Literature	49	45%
Economics (Micro/Macro)	74	54%
Mathematics	37	38%
Sciences	128	48%
History (US/European/World)	88	65%
Government and Politics	14	79%

Last 5 years, weighted average		
Subject	No. of entries/Yr	% achieving 3 or higher
English Language	48	59%
English Literature	28	57%
Economics (Micro)	36	65%
Economics (Macro)	18	65%
Calculus AB	21	68%
Calculus BC	11	71%
Statistics	5	75%
Biology	17	49%
Chemistry	24	72%
Physics	14	73%
Environmental Science	19	53%
US History	8	44%
European History	13	80%
World History	18	69%
Government Politics	14	57%