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# 6th FORM

INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS

Stephen Perse 6th Form College, Cambridge

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# AWARDS

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL OF THE YEAR  
SUNDAY TIMES IB SCHOOL OF THE YEAR  
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# WELCOME



*“I love all my classes and I think the students at Stephen Perse are very diverse and welcoming; teachers have an excellent relationship with students and the atmosphere is lovely.”*

Dasha

Welcome to our vibrant 6th Form in the heart of Cambridge, where young people make an exceptional start in life.

We achieve outstanding results by offering each student the right balance of support, inspiration and challenge they need to succeed.

Around 1 in 4 of our students go on to study at Oxbridge, whilst others pursue inspiring ambitions at leading UK and international universities.

We provide a modern, dynamic learning environment – where you will be part of a friendly, diverse student community.

As well as being a great place to learn, our 6th Form is a great place to be – one that quickly feels like home.

In the classroom, you will become a more independent learner, inspired by brilliant teachers, who are passionate about their subjects. You will leave us equipped with the skills, knowledge and confidence to make your mark in the world.

**Mr Simon Armitage**  
Head of 6th Form

Through individual academic support and a progressive approach to learning, our students achieve top results in both A Levels and the International Baccalaureate.

**Leaver destinations**

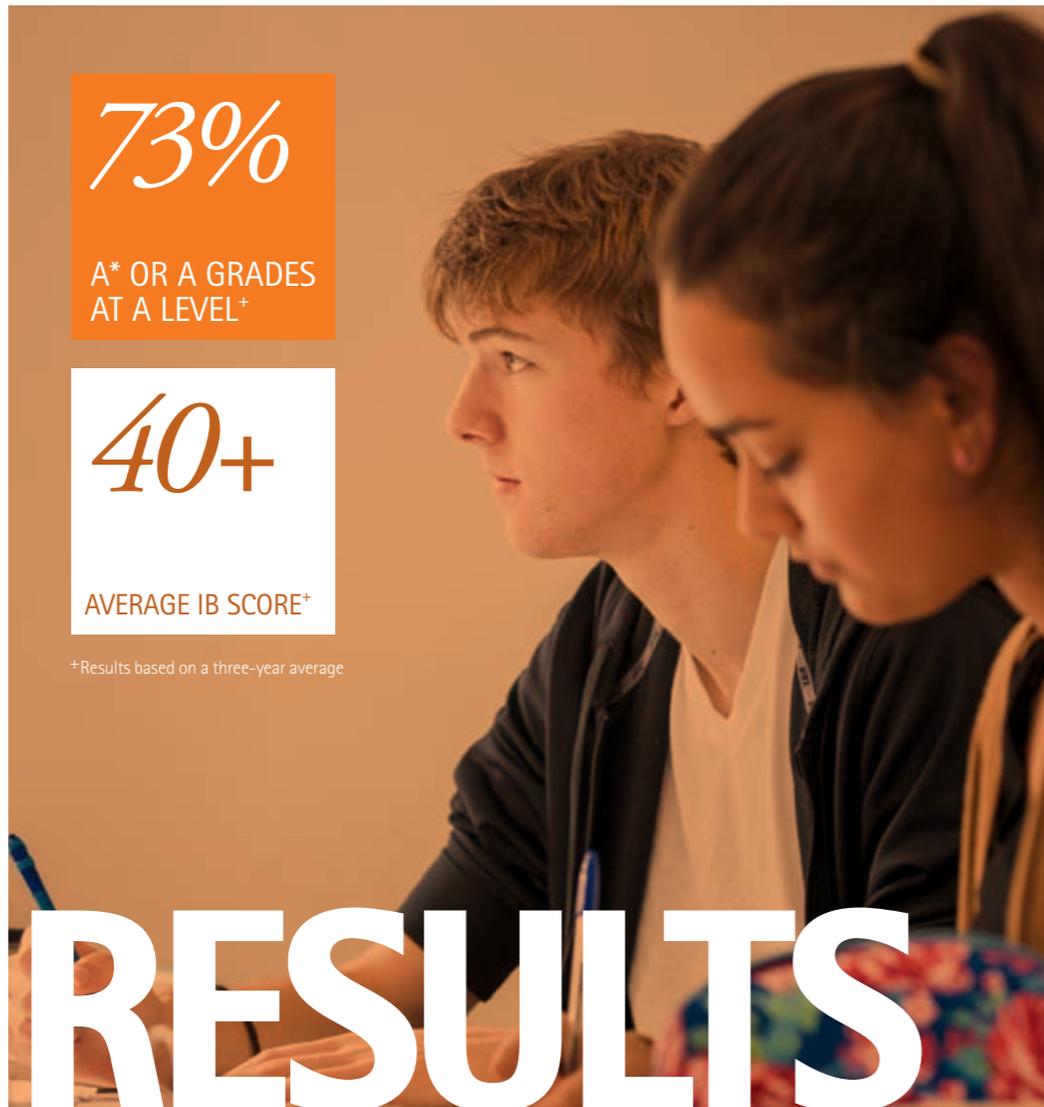
*Law at Cambridge, Chemistry at Oxford, Economics at UCL, Medicine at King's College London, Engineering at Imperial, Astrophysics at Edinburgh. Our leaver destinations are inspiring and diverse.*

Each year several students opt to study at leading overseas universities. From Liberal Arts at Princeton to Translation in Geneva – our students access the best opportunities in the world.

Every student receives the support they need to achieve their goals. This includes advice on course selection, in-depth careers guidance and specialist support for those applying to Oxbridge.

[sixthform.stephenperse.com/university-destinations](http://sixthform.stephenperse.com/university-destinations)

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73%

A\* OR A GRADES AT A LEVEL<sup>+</sup>

40+

AVERAGE IB SCORE<sup>+</sup>

<sup>+</sup>Results based on a three-year average

RESULTS




Up to 15%

EU OR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

LEARN IN CAMBRIDGE



We are located in central Cambridge, minutes from the train station and in easy reach of London and international airports.

Up to 15% of our students are from overseas and many of our UK students have spent time living abroad.

Our community of around 170 students is big enough to offer diversity, but small enough to feel friendly and connected.

**Facilities**

Our modern campus provides access to outstanding learning facilities including science labs, an arts centre and a 6th Form library.

Learning is supported by the latest technology, with students using iPads to support their studies.

A coffee shop and chill-out area provides a central space for socialising.

*“The sense of community makes it more than just a place for study, it’s a great place to socialise and make new friends.”*

Thomas



*“Besides amazing exam results, the best thing about Stephen Perse is the welcoming atmosphere, a sense of community and the teachers.”*

Anastasia

Cambridge is a bustling, beautiful place to live. Full of history and brimming with new ideas – it is an exciting place to be.

**Entertainment**

From museums, architecture and art galleries, to theatre shows and live music – there is much to explore. For shoppers, a blend of independent and high street brands, as well as a central market offers a perfect mix.

**Space**

Cambridge is a green city – with plenty of natural, open spaces and parks. Just minutes from our 6th Form, a quiet moment can be found in the University Botanic Gardens.

**Inspiration and innovation**

Punt to nearby Granchester a village reputed to have the world's highest number of Nobel Prize winners. Cambridge is also the hub of Silicon Fen an international centre for business innovation in technology and science.

**Sports and leisure**

Cambridge is the perfect place to get active. From cycling and tennis, to rowing and outdoor swimming – most activities are easily accessed in the city.

**OUR CAMBRIDGE HISTORY**

In the 17th Century, a bequest from Dr Stephen Perse, a Fellow of Gonville and Caius College, created Cambridge's first 'Free Grammar School'. From this original school, the Stephen Perse Foundation has evolved to provide a complete educational pathway for boys and girls aged 3 to 18.

As the only independent 6th Form in Cambridge providing A Levels and the International Baccalaureate (IB) – we offer different ways to succeed.

### A Levels

We offer a choice of over 20 A Level subjects. We are happy to advise on the best combination of A levels for specific university courses.

See our subjects at:

[sixthform.stephenperse.com/a-levels](http://sixthform.stephenperse.com/a-levels)

### International Baccalaureate (IB)

Recognised by universities worldwide, the IB gives a breadth of skills and knowledge fit for the 21st century. Students choose one subject from each of the following areas:

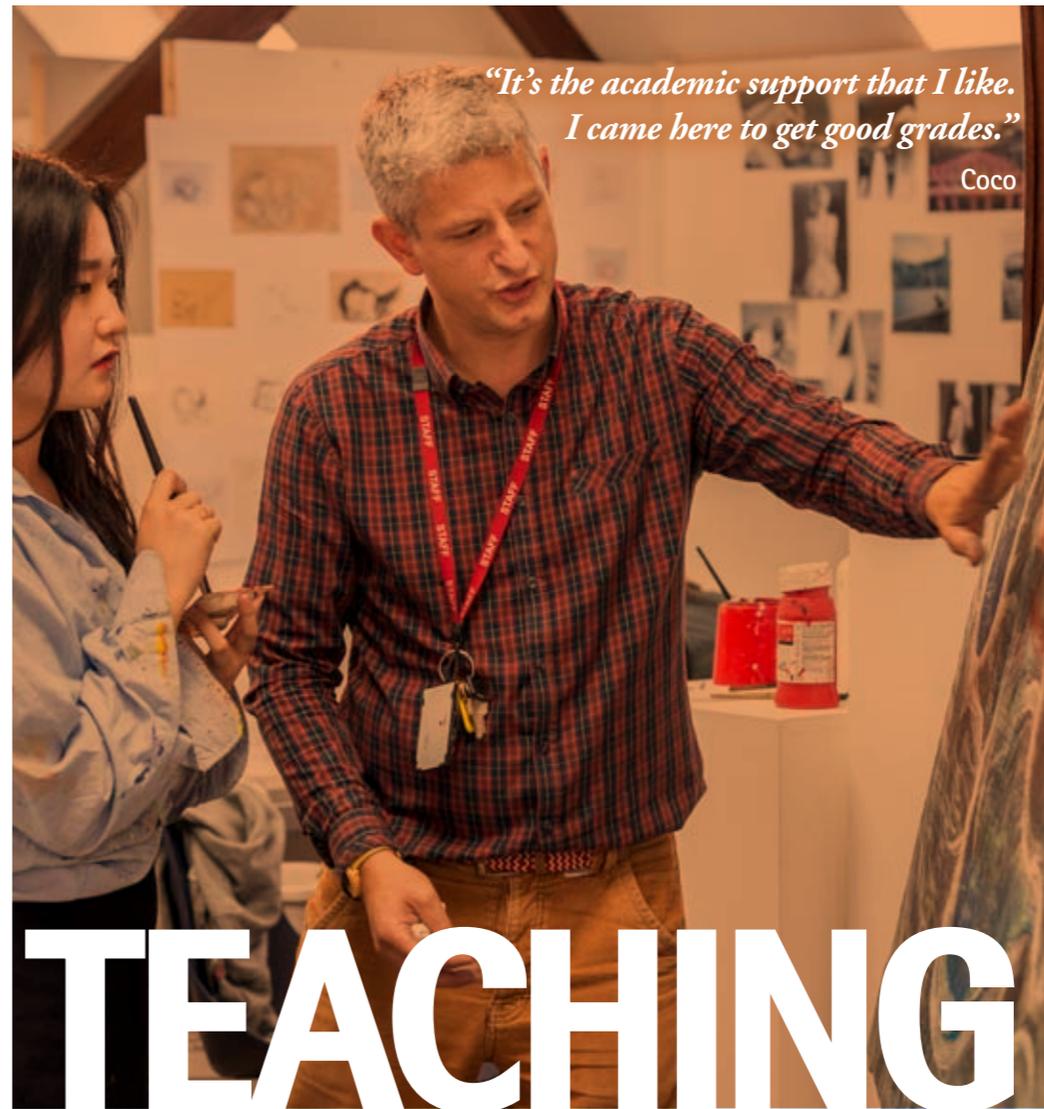
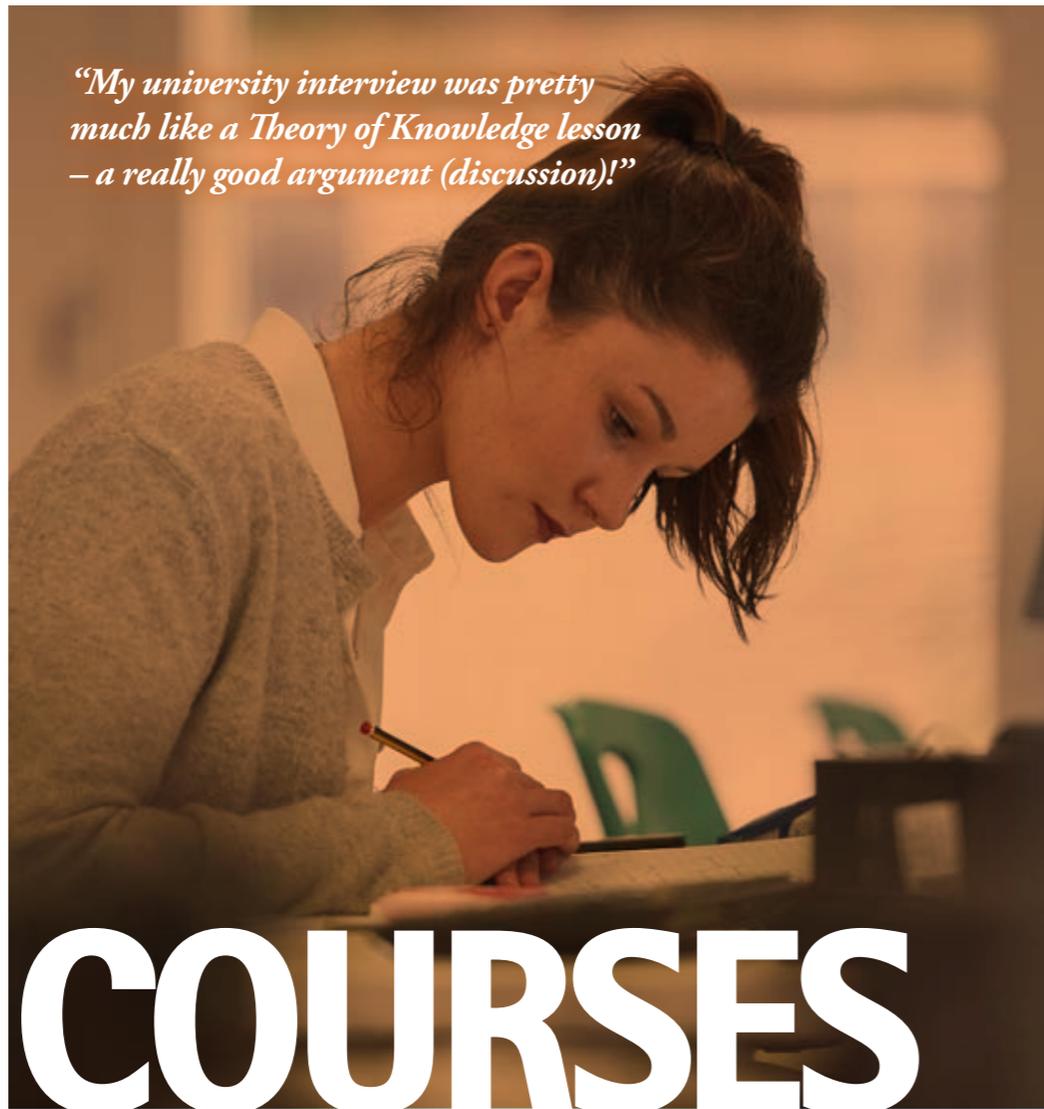
1. English Literature
2. Foreign Language
3. Humanities
4. Sciences
5. Mathematics
6. Art or Music or an additional Science, Language or Humanity subject

More about the IB:

[sixthform.stephenperse.com/ib](http://sixthform.stephenperse.com/ib)

### Theory of Knowledge

In Year 12, all students have an opportunity to study a Theory of Knowledge (ToK) course, which develops critical thinking and analysis.



Rated ‘exceptional’ in our latest *Independent Schools Inspectorate\** report for teaching and learning, we are proud of our academic excellence.

In small classes of around 10 students, our teachers deliver exceptional academic support. Whilst we encourage students to become independent learners – support is always available.

### International Tutor

Our International Tutor maintains close contact with students and their guardians or host families.

They help students to settle, offering opportunities to visit places of interest in Cambridge and London.

If required, they can also advise on additional language support and can arrange English tuition.

\*See: [www.isi.net](http://www.isi.net)



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PERSONAL TUTOR  
TO STUDENT RATIO

# GUIDANCE

Our bespoke Guidance Programme provides inspiration, choice and support for the future.

Our Guidance Programme includes:

- Interview practice
- Mock entrance exams
- Aptitude tests
- A dedicated Oxbridge tutor to support applications
- Careers events
- University preparation days
- Inspire me! talks from successful individuals

*Past Inspire me! speakers include Cambridge academics, business leaders, entrepreneurs, doctors and scientists. Speakers share ideas on motivation, leadership and teamwork – as well as their own career and life stories.*

## Personal Tutor

Our tutorial system provides regular access to a Personal Tutor. They offer advice on academic progress and plans for the future.

# ENRICHMENT

Our *Creative, Active and Service (CAS) Enrichment Programme* provides opportunities to take on challenges, try new things and explore interests.

Every week, students have time to pursue enrichment activities. We offer a wide choice of activities, including:

- Creative arts
- Music
- Sports
- Languages
- Social entrepreneurship
- Drama

- Model United Nations
- TED-Ed Club
- Writing for the student newspaper or blog
- Volunteering in the local community
- Mock trials

## Overseas trips

Through study visits, exchange tours and volunteering our students have experienced Costa Rica, Cuba, the Himalayas, Kiev, Munich, New York, Zanzibar and more!

- ▶ See our full Enrichment Programme at: [sixthform.stephenperse.com/enrichment](http://sixthform.stephenperse.com/enrichment)

## FAQs

**Q. Do you provide boarding?**

**A.** We are not a boarding school. International students live with their own family or with an education guardian.

**Q. What level of English do I need?**

**A.** Our international students have very good English. As a guide, we expect at least IELTS level 6.5 in academic writing.

**Q. What admissions tests will I need to take?**

**A.** Usually admissions tests and interviews take place in Cambridge. In special circumstances remote testing and interviews can be arranged. You may also need to sit our English as an additional language test.

▶ Further information: [sixthform.stephenperse.com/internationals](http://sixthform.stephenperse.com/internationals)

## HOW TO APPLY

You don't have to be a genius to come here. We are looking for bright, curious young people who love to learn. Inspiring teaching, a huge variety of activities, great facilities and a warm, supportive community do the rest.

To find out more please contact us:

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*We look forward  
to meeting you*



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