



**"Being here is fantastic!
The school organizes a
lot of extra-curricular
activities... I have
created unforgettable
memories!"**

Flavia from Brazil

State School

Itchen College Hampshire, UK

A state sixth-form college offering a wide range of A Levels, BTEC and foundation pathways with strong academic outcomes. Itchen College is best for students seeking high academic performance combined with specialist sports academies, creative arts provision and clear progression to top UK universities.



STATE



SPORTS



ARTS



COASTAL

Quick Facts

Founded: 1906

Ofsted rating: Out-Standing

Climate: Cool winters and Warm summers

Family First Accommodation: Yes

One-Year A Levels: Yes

Diploma year offered: No

Programme duration: Semester, Academic Year

Accepting students: Age 16-18

Visa information:

- **Term/Semester – ETA or Visitor Visa (nationality dependent)**
- **Academic Year – Student Visa required**

English support: No

Interview required: Yes

Academic Excellence

Itchen College is one of the strongest performing sixth-form colleges in the Southampton area, reporting a 100% A-Level pass rate, with a high proportion of students achieving grades A*–B. The college offers around 50 subjects across academic and vocational pathways, including A Levels, BTEC qualifications, GCSE resits, Extended Project Qualification and University Foundation programmes. Specialist strengths include sciences, social sciences, creative arts and sport. Students are supported by personal tutors and the High Performance Academy, which provides additional academic stretch and structured preparation for competitive university applications, including Russell Group destinations.

Student Accomplishments

- 100% A-Level pass rate in recent examination cycles
- 92% of A-Level grades achieved at A*–B
- Students progressing to highly selective UK universities including Russell Group institutions
- Alumni achievements in media and broadcasting, including radio presenter Jono Holmes.

Recent University Acceptances

- University of Cambridge
- University College London
- University of Bath
- University of Southampton
- Cardiff University
- University of Bristol
- University of Birmingham
- University of Exeter



Stats



Campus Facilities

Itchen College operates on a single, spacious campus. Academic provision is supported by multiple science laboratories, specialist art and photography studios, media and recording facilities, IT and graphic design suites, and modern classrooms. Sports facilities include a full fitness suite, climbing wall, sports hall, outdoor football and netball pitches. Performance space for music and drama is available also. All facilities are located on one campus, enabling easy access throughout the school day.

Life with local host families

International students live with carefully selected local host families in the Southampton area. Accommodation typically includes single or shared bedrooms, daily meals, supervision and pastoral support. Host families help students integrate into local life, while the college's international and welfare teams provide ongoing support, regular check-ins and guidance. Travel to campus is usually by local bus or short commute from host family homes.

Athletics and Arts

Specialist Sports Academies are available in Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Football, Golf, Netball, Rugby and Fitness, offering additional coaching and mentoring alongside academic study.

The college also offers a Performing Arts Academy and strong creative pathways supported by specialist studios and performance spaces.



Lists

Sports: Rugby, Basketball, Netball, Badminton, Football, Athletics, Golf, Fitness trainings

Arts: Art & Design, Film, Drama, Photography, Dance, Music Technology

Languages offered:
French, Spanish, German

Subjects offered:

- **A-Level:** Biology, Chemistry, Agricultural Science, Environmental Sciences, Physics, Applied Science, Maths, Statistics, English Language, English Literature, Psychology, Business Studies, Sociology, History, Politics, Law, Classics, Geography, Economics, Philosophy
- **BTEC / Vocational:** Travel & Tourism, Accounting, Engineering Pathway, Applied Science, Catering & Hospitality, Business Studies, Sport, Textiles
- **GCSEs:** Business and Travel & Tourism
- **Others:** Extended Project Qualification

Tech and Innovation Courses:
Media Studies, Computer Science / IT, Graphic Design

Clubs and Extracurriculars:
Sports teams, Sports Academies, Performing Arts Academy, Science Academy, Duke of Edinburgh Award, fitness clubs, creative arts activities, student enrichment and academic extension programmes

International Student Support:
English as an Additional Language support
Personal tutor system
Academic counselling and wellbeing support
University application guidance, including UCAS support

Community

Itchen College is located in Southampton, a major city on the south coast of England with strong maritime heritage. The city offers museums, galleries, theatres and a vibrant waterfront, alongside large green spaces such as Southampton Common and the Itchen Valley for outdoor activities. Southampton is well connected, approximately two hours from London and 30 minutes from Portsmouth, making it an accessible base for exploring southern England.

Climate

Mild southern climate with cool winters and warm summers. Average temperatures range from 3°C in January to 21°C in July, with moderate rainfall throughout the year.



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Itchen Sixth Form College

