



Spring Term Programs

Jan-May 2024

Admissions Consulting

Tuition & Test Prep

Language & Enrichment

WHICH ARCH PROGRAM IS FOR YOU?

ARCH Education (Central) provides a wide range of academic services, including language enhancement, skill-based enrichment courses, academic tuition and test preparation for students ages 1.5-18, while ARCH Education Consulting's global team guides students to prepare for boarding schools and university applications in the UK and US.

AGE	ARCH EDUCATION CENTER (CENTRAL)						ARCH EDUCATION CONSULTING
	LANGUAGE	LANGUAGE & ENRICHMENT			ACADEMIC & TEST PREP		UK US BOARDING SCHOOLS & UNIVERSITIES
		THINK	SPEAK	DEBATE	READ	WRITE	
2-6	Aspire English						
7-8	Mini Mandarins				Foundation		Boarding School Admissions Guidance Profile Building, Entrance Exam Prep, Interview Prep, Ongoing Guidance & more
9-10		Level 1	Junior	Starter	Junior		
11-12			Intermediate	Level 1	Intermediate		
13-14		Level 2		Level 2	Advanced		16+ SAT ACT (I)GCSE IBMYP (all subjects)
15-16				Level 3			University Admissions Guidance Aptitude Tests, Profile Building, Personal Statement, Application Strategy & more
17-18							Alevel AP IBDP Pre-U (all subjects)

*For course details, please refer to the appropriate application form.
 Levelling assessment is mandatory for all new students. Class assignment is subjected to assessment result and teacher's recommendation.

CELEBRATING 14 YEARS OF SUCCESS!



LEVELLING ASSESSMENT

Students sit a pre-course assessment to identify which programs best suit them.



ENRICHMENT PROGRESSION PLAN

We provide a study plan for each age category to map out the path for the students, tailored to their aspirations.



ENRICHMENT & ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

We give suggestions should we feel complementary assistance is necessary.



PARENT-TEACHER COMMUNICATION

Our teachers provide verbal and written progress feedback to students and parents at regular intervals which may involve in-person or online discussion.



THINK

Our **Critical Thinking Socrates Program** aims to instill in students the key transferable skills and intellectual tools necessary for effective lifelong learning. Mastering critical and lateral thinking skills will prepare students for the transition from local to international schools, the intense research of IB, the in-depth investigation of A Levels and current affairs analysis for DSE Liberal Studies.

Skills Highlights:

- ◆ Analysis
- ◆ Perspectives
- ◆ Observation
- ◆ Multi-level Thinking
- ◆ Deconstructing Bias
- ◆ Creativity
- ◆ Inquiry
- ◆ Research
- ◆ Debate & Discussion
- ◆ Thought Structuring

Level 1 (P4-P6) (SO1) Ages 9-11

- ◆ Why do some cultures prefer gifts of money instead of objects?
- ◆ Why is living in the wild considered luxury in some countries?

This course explores the historical backdrop and contextual elements that shape the foundation of every society, from collective history to customs, spirituality, and ideologies. Students will be guided to decipher the signs and symbols that represents the years of community building that preceded them. In addition, they will be able to see how they can shape the society they call home with the rise of new popular culture and social media.



Level 2 (S1-S3) (SO2) Ages 12-14

- ◆ Why don't countries trade food to prevent famines?
- ◆ Why isn't the International Space Station run by the United Nations?

This course delves deep into the various webs and networks that necessitate the interaction between countries. Students will submerge in topics about trading and cultural exchanges, and will also explore the socio-economic factors that stimulate the actions of civil organizations and governments alike.



SPEAK

The world is full of public speakers. We see them on TV, hear them on the radio, and learn from them at school. But how do the ones we admire get so good? Practice! Our **Public Speaking Program** helps students improve their presentation skills and empower them with the techniques to articulate themselves with confidence.



Critical Thinking



Political Science



Global Issues



Ethics



Speech Writing



Junior Level (P4-P5) (PSJ) Ages 9-10

From holiday celebrations to harrowing rainstorms, students will prepare and produce news broadcast, including live interviews to delve into the lives of renowned individuals. They will learn the skills to narrate informative documentaries that can resonate with the audience.



Intermediate Level (P6-S1) (PSI) Ages 11-12

Students will learn to speak with distinction, prepare speeches to rouse spirits and awareness on important social issues. They will carry that conviction to formulate proposal presentations to improve the circumstances. They will also create consensus with discussions and debate to find the best solutions.

READ

Our **Critical Reading Program** guides students to develop stronger transferable skills in analyzing literary texts. Perfect for all who wish to develop and build on a love for literature whilst sharpening their analytical skills!

*Books our students will read!



*For reference and subject to change



Analyze Story Plot



Evaluate Character



Identify Technique



Apply Own Stance

Foundation Level

(P2-P3) (CRF) - Ages 7-8

Magic & Wonderment

Reading opens up new worlds of fantasy and imagination. To stimulate young minds to discover their love for books and appetite for deeper reading of the classics, our road of fantasy shall start with the yellow bricks in the **Wizard of Oz** by L. Frank Baum. Thereafter, the teacher will guide students through the adventures of **The Sorcerer's Apprentice** and **The Enchanted Castle** by Johann von Goethe and Jeuth Neesbit.

Intermediate Level

(P6-S1) (CRI) - Ages 11-12

Society & Individuals

With the thought-provoking works of Walter Dean Myers and S.E. Hinton, students will explore the struggles of formative youths as they grapple with the questions of morality in **The Outsiders** and burden of responsibilities to family and community in **Animal Farm**. Guiding budding young minds through the challenging times of growing up in a society in flux.

Junior Level

(P4-P5) (CRJ) - Ages 9-10

Transformation

Through the creative geniuses of British authors Roald Dahl and C.S. Lewis, students will follow the stories of youths discovering self-identity in the changing world around them. Through the adventures in **James and the Giant Peach** and **The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe**, students will look at the power of words to create worlds.

Advanced Level

(S2-S3) (CRA) - Ages 13-14

Conflicts & Personalities

What is our duty to fellow humans, be it friends or family? How do conflicts and struggles define us as individuals? Students will discuss the differences between these two ideas while reading the classics: **Of Mice and Men** and **The Lord of the Flies**.

WRITE

Our **English Writing Program** helps students to develop a variety of writing styles and to write with greater fluidity. Writing projects will hone their grammatical command of the language while enhancing their confidence in structuring their thoughts and ideas to keep the readers engaged.



Genre Structures



Literary Techniques



Grammar Skills

Foundation Level

(P2-P3) (WF) - Ages 7-8

Around the Globe

Students will travel the world and develop short stories to capture the action and emotions. They will also create informational leaflets to capture the uniqueness of landmarks and design advertisements that would persuade tourists to make the journey and have an unforgettable experience.

Intermediate Level

(P6-S1) (WI) - Ages 11-12

Society & Individuals

Students will discover their place in the community by sharing their thoughts in expository blogs and recording unique perspectives and experiences in memoirs. Furthermore, they will expand their writing repertoire by writing interesting magazine articles.

Junior Level

(P4-P5) (WJ) - Ages 9-10

The Changing World

Students will write broadcast news reports to tell the story of our fast-changing world and paint a vivid story for their audience with a monologue of their experiences. They will conclude their exploration with their very own radio commercial to excite the audience.

Advanced Level

(S2-S3) (WA) - Ages 13-14

Land of Tomorrow

As our world evolves, students will share their vision of what is to come with persuasive speeches. Their vision can be further refined through writing argumentative essays. They will also imagine and create new worlds through writing science fiction stories.

DEBATE



With over 50 students from 15 schools, the Hong Kong Debate Tournament 2023 organized by ARCH Education in May drew to a jubilant close as debaters celebrated the return of in-person debate competition. Over the two tournament days, students sparred over globally relevant motions to pertinent socio-economic topics.

Starter (P4-P5) (DBS) - Ages 9-10

To kickstart students' combined ability to think and articulate, our starter debate class aims to inspire the next generation of young debaters. By engaging students through their personal experiences and immediate pressing social issues, they can gain confidence and find their voices through individual and group work.

Level 1 (P6-S1) (DB1) - Ages 11-12

This level of debate class introduces the world of competitive debate to budding speakers through interactive group work and constant feedback from our coaches. A combination of spoken and written practices will ignite the students' ability to think critically about what matters.

Level 2 (S2-S3) (DB2) - Ages 13-14

Formal debate skills are honed to shape orators at this stage. Through peer brainstorming and technical exercises, our coaches will guide students through frameworks of analysis that enable them to delve into local and global issues which otherwise may seem abstract and disconnected.

Level 3 (S4+) (DB3) - Ages 15+

Four competing teams in a round, live-fire interjection during a speech or sharp questions from the floor. Aspiring debaters joining this course will be trained through a series of tournament level debate motions to develop the competence to analyze, compose and deliver full speeches at the standard of regional tournaments.

THE SPARK PROGRAM

Our independent study program aims to expose scholars to diverse topics across the humanities, social sciences, and STEM. **SPARK** promotes students' inquisitiveness, intellectual and personal growth-qualities that will make them stand out during their college admissions, application process, along their career paths and beyond!

The **SPARK Program** adapts deeper learning theories and approaches in designing our independent studies curriculum. Each student in the program is supported by a SPARK mentor. Each student is encouraged to explore an area of interest, develop ideas, deepen understandings, collaborate and build a sense of ownership with the guidance from the mentor. **SPARK** instructors are vetted as deeper learning mentors. They bring diverse academic experience, talents and expertise in a range of disciplines, and a passion for education.



"The Ownership of Stolen Art" – M.L. (17 years old)

The 20-page research essay investigates stolen artworks throughout history, from the stealing of the Mona Lisa by Vincenzo Peruggia in 1911 to works stolen during the Holocaust. Who owns stolen art? What are the benefits of stolen art? Does ownership really matter?



"Maths and Superhero Reality" – W.H. (12 years old)

Superman, Flash, Spiderman, the Incredibles - these all time favorite superheroes with acts of unnatural physics have captured our hearts and imagination in a world of fantasy. By combining the student's fascination for these characters, we explored a series of fun and educational applications of scientific and mathematical theories such as Newton's Law and Pythagoras theorems! By looking into the mysteries that we often encounter in films, we bring maths and science alive!

MINI MANDARINS



Our New Strategic Partner Offers Mandarin Classes!

We are excited to announce that ARCH Education has formed a strategic partnership with Mini Mandarins ("MM") to offer Mandarin Chinese classes to students ages 1.5 to 10. Founded in 2014, MM promotes teaching Mandarin with interactive pedagogies focused on the appreciation and application of the language. Our Signature program offers an immersive theme-based learning environment whereby students are encouraged to apply Mandarin in daily life.



Signature Program - Ages 1.5-6

Our Signature Program aims to help students develop confidence in Mandarin oral and literacy skills and be inspired to learn in a positive manner. Our classes are taught by native Mandarin teachers who have attained distinction level in Putonghua Shuiping Ceshi.

One of the most distinctive features of our program is that students will do role-plays in a super-fun simulated area called the Mini Metro where they can put their learning into practice. Students can also develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of the Chinese culture through Chinese Tang Dynasty poems, stories and songs.



-  Mini Tots
-  Mini Foundations
-  Mini Masters

Pinyin Program

Our Pinyin Program is designed for beginners to develop foundational skills to use Hanyu Pinyin. The course focuses on the Chinese phonetic transcription, starting from Initials, Finals, Syllables and Tones. Each stage has been designed to enhance the students' ability in reading, writing and recognizing the characters, laying a solid foundation for Chinese study.

-  **Foundation**
For ages 4-5
-  **Intermediate**
For ages 5-6
-  **Advanced**
For ages >6



GAPSK Kindergarten Putonghua Proficiency Test Prep

This program is designed and led by certified GAPSK Kindergarten Putonghua Proficiency Test Examiners. Our native speaking teachers, who are familiar with the test process and scoring criteria, will guide the students to master their language proficiency and get ready to the GAPSK exam. We provide multiple simulated test exercises and score sheets to track students' learning progress.

-  **GAPSK Foundation**
For ages 3-4
-  **GAPSK Intermediate**
For ages 4-5
-  **GAPSK Advanced**
For ages 5-6



ASPIRE ENGLISH

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Welcome, Future Readers!

English Foundation Program for Kindergarteners.

Developed by early childhood educators, our courses offer a springboard which empowers young children to transition from hearing stories to giving book talks, and from comprehending text to creating their own pieces. Students will develop a range of skills, including phonemic awareness, vocabulary, comprehension, to become future ready readers and writers.



Storytelling - Ages 2.5-3.5

Expose to 2 storybooks a month and practice motor skills for phonics lessons

- Hearing stories and seeing others read
- Talking about the pictures in books
- Hearing rhymes and rhythms

“Bringing Stories to Life in the Classroom”



Phonics - Ages 3-7

Build fundamental skills to read stories aloud

- Decoding (taking words apart) and Encoding (putting words back together)
- Growing confidence in advance blending skills (Diagrams, Trigraphs, Long Vowels)
- Developing vocabulary of Common Exception Words (the, you, a)



Readers & Writers - Ages 5-7

Read recommended stories (up to 5 books a month)

- Engaging in reading comprehension activities to extend vocabulary
- Studying and practicing initial grammar and writing skills
- Gaining spoken-English confidence through Book Talk presentations



ACADEMIC TUTORING

We also offer subject tutoring to help students develop a stronger academic foundation and provide a platform to advance students' learning through Passion Projects and Competition Training.

BRIDGING THE GAPS OF CURRICULA

Expecting to transition into a new curriculum in September? ARCH's experienced instructors provide support to ensure you are ready for the new and heightened academic challenge. Scenarios include but not limited to:

- **IBMYP → IBDP:**
From studying "Science" to Physics, Chemistry and/or Biology
- **IGCSE → IBDP:**
From scientific calculator to graphing display calculator (GDC)
- **Local School → IBDP:**
How to prepare EE and IA?
- **IBMYP/Local School → AP/US System:**
How to conduct written responses for Maths and Science subjects?



IBMYP | IBDP | (I)GCSE | GCEAL | IAL | AP

- Group and 1-on-1 classes taught by official examiners and experienced instructors
- Tailor-made lessons to assist students adapt to different teaching/testing styles and boost scores on mock exams
- Comprehensive exercises and tests to consolidate knowledge
- Subjects include:

- English	- Mathematics	- Economics	- Politics
- Chinese	- Further Maths	- History	- Philosophy
- French	- Calculus AB/BC	- Geography	- Psychology
- German	- Biology	- Business	- Sociology
- Latin	- Chemistry	- Environmental Science	- Design & Technology
- Spanish	- Physics		

"I would like to thank my teacher for helping me on my Extended Essay for Mathematics over the past year. With his help and guidance, I received an A with a score of 29/34. Thank you for giving me guidance with my Maths Extended Essay!" – C.C.

"I got my IB results back, and I received a score of 6 for English! I'm extremely happy with this score and it is just 2 marks off a grade 7! I got 19/20 for paper 1, and 19/25 for paper 2. I'm glad that hardwork has paid off, and it wouldn't have happened without your help. Overall, I got 43 points for IB. Thank you ARCH!" – M.C.



TEST PREPARATION

UK Boarding School Prep

UKISET PRE-TEST | 9+ | 11+ | 13+ (Ages 8-16)

- All UK boarding school entrance test formats (computerized and school-specific papers)
- Courses include: Verbal Reasoning, Non-Verbal Reasoning, English, Maths, Sciences and other subjects
- Interview prep/Critical thinking: Skills enrichment to prepare for admissions interviews

US Boarding School Prep

Boarding School Boost Program (Ages 10-14)

- Suitable for students entering into US Boarding Schools and want to prepare for the transition to the US curriculum
- Tailor-made and flexible: 1-on-1 lessons with our experienced tutors
- Courses include: Vocabulary, English Literature, Mathematics, Sciences, Humanities and other subjects

UK University Aptitude Test

BMAT | CLT | ECAA | ELAT | HAT | LNAT | PAT | STEP | TSA | UCAT & more

- Skill-based courses and 1-on-1 lessons to cover Oxbridge, Medicine and Law aptitude tests
- 150+ Oxbridge graduate tutors to cover all disciplines

US Test Prep

- **SSAT** (Ages 12-14)
25 hours of instruction + 2 full-length mock tests
- **SAT & ACT** (Ages 15-17)
30 hours of instruction + 2 full-length mock tests

STUDENTS' FEEDBACK



"I learned more about different parts of the world and their political issues. It's much better than reading the news. There were many group discussions, and everyone had a chance to take part. My essay writing and critical thinking skills have really improved. I love this course!" - **A.L., Socrates Level 1**

"I have developed new writing techniques which I haven't learned before. The course was awesome! I enjoyed learning with friends and my teacher was very focused and nice. I love being in this lovely environment." - **J.C., Writing Junior**



"I liked the course because it was engaging and fun. I can apply what I have learned at ARCH in my schoolwork. We covered many essential topics in class so that there wouldn't be any questions left unanswered." - **C.W., Reading Advanced**



"I have learnt how to use evidence, quick thinking, court terms and different forms of debate. I enjoy balloon debate as it gives me a chance to test my skills, not only on debating but also on critical thinking." - **W.L., Debate Level 1**



UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS

To maximize your chances of being admitted to the top universities, all of our admissions consultants will work together to provide you with:



Profiling/
Academic Planning



Extracurricular
Activities Guidance



Test
Preparation



Recommendation
Guidance



Interview
Preparation



Communication
with Schools



Essay/Statement
Guidance



School
Selection



Ongoing
Guidance



Waitlist/
Application Strategy



"My consultant has given me a lot of support and advice throughout the whole process, from initial aptitude test preparation to selecting my university choice and interview preparation. Every preparation session was very useful. I found the interview preparation particularly helpful because the questions asked in the real interview were very similar to mock interviews, and I gained more confidence from practicing."

- I.N., Offers from Imperial College London & The University of Hong Kong (Medicine)

OUR UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS CONSULTING TEAMS HAVE HELPED STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY APPLY TO THE FOLLOWING TOP UNIVERSITIES:

UK Universities included*:

- University of Cambridge
- University of Oxford
- Durham University
- Imperial College London
- King's College London
- London School of Economics
- University College London
- University of Bristol
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Warwick

Subjects included:

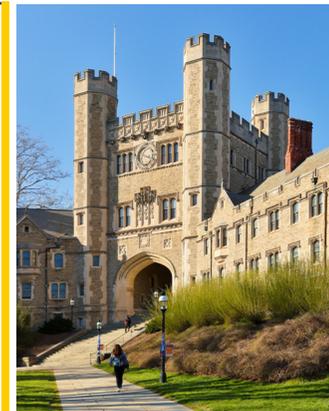
- Architecture
- Business Management
- Economics
- Engineering
- History
- Law
- Mathematics
- Medicine
- Natural Sciences
- Psychology
- Philosophy, Politics & Economics

*Results from 2022-2023

US Universities included*:

- Boston University
- Brown University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Columbia University
- Columbia University and Sciences Po
- Cornell University
- Georgetown University
- Harvard University
- Johns Hopkins University
- Northwestern University
- Pomona College
- Stanford University
- Tufts University
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Southern California
- Yale University

*Results from 2022-2023





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