

SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-2023

American Nicaraguan School (ANS), is a private, non-profit, coeducational multicultural institution, founded in 1944. ANS is composed of students from more than 30 different nationalities. Providing a rigorous academic program through an American curriculum with classes taught in English. The School is governed by a seven member Board of Directors, with six members elected by the American Nicaraguan School's parents, and one member appointed by the U.S. Embassy. The school community includes members of the diplomatic corps, foreign and local businesses, and international assistance groups working in Nicaragua.

Located on a 26-acre campus in Managua, Nicaragua, ANS has undergone major facilities renovations over the last several years in primary and secondary, with the new high school building inaugurated in 2011. Facilities also include two soccer fields, a track, a regulation size swimming pool, and a multipurpose covered athletic area. Technology and media resources include a 28,531-volume lending library, the largest of its kind in Nicaragua, and high-speed wireless Internet access across campus. ANS is accredited by Cognia (For**Preston Emerton**

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merly - AdvancED) the world leader in certification and accreditation of educational institutions that seek excellence, and by the Nicaraguan Ministry of Education (MINED).

ANS offers dynamic and innovative learning opportunities through a U.S. standards-based curriculum, designed to foster depth of understanding anchored in the school's six core values. ANS operates as a Primary School division (Pathways early learning for three- & four-year-olds to Grade 5) and a Secondary School division (Grades 6-12). ANS also offers inclusion services through personal-

ized learning plans for students with exceptional needs. While English is the language of instruction through all grade levels at ANS, students take Spanish class starting in Kindergarten. In secondary they are given the option of French or Chinese as an additional language. Secondary students can opt to complete the Nicaraguan national diploma program in addition to the U.S. diploma. Rigorous and engaging coursework includes a senior year Capstone Project and an offering of 19 Advanced Placement courses. Courses are designed and delivered in alignment to standards across school divisions. The American Education Reaches Out (AERO) framework includes English language arts and mathematics standards aligned to Common Core State Standards; social studies through the four dimensions of the C3 Framework (college, career, and civic life); scientific practices through the NGSS standards; National Core Arts standards for visual and performing arts courses. Standards-based assessment practices reflect a school-wide commitment to the growth mindset, encouraging transfer of learning as meaningful contributions to society.

ANS Mission

The mission of the American Nicaraguan School is to provide an innovative and dynamic education so that our students realize their full leadership potential, achieve academic excellence, and make meaningful and ethical contributions to a global society.

ANS Vision

We define learning as the agency to honor your curiosity and engage in the rigor of authentic and complex problems, working together to find solutions in an inclusive and collaborative community. We believe that when we have agency and rigor, our learning transcends time and space, taking us out into a future we create together.



Academic Calendar

The 2021 - 2022 school calendar consists of two semesters with 180 total days of classroom instruction. The first semester begins in the middle of August and finishes in the middle of December; the second semester begins in the middle of January and concludes in the beginning of June.

Unweighted /Weighted Grading System and Ranking*

93-100	А	=4.00
90-92	A-	=3.75
87-89	B+	=3.25
83-86	В	=3.00
80-82	B-	=2.75
77-79	C+	=2.73
73-76	С	=2.00
70-72	C-	=1.75
67-69	D+	=1.25
63-66	D	=1.00
60-62	D-	=0.75
40-50	F	=0.00

AP Courses = GPA Factor + 1.00 with minimum grade 73 and 3, 4 or 5 in AP Exam. *ANS does not rank its students

Advanced Placement Program

AP Exam Results 2022

N° Students taking exams:	121
Total number of exams:	258
Percent of students scoring 4 or 5:	ANS: 57%
Percent of students scoring 3 or above:	ANS: 74%
2021 AP Scholar Awards:	4 Students

AP Course Offering

AP US Government & Politics	AP Studio Art
AP Comparative Government &	AP Statistics
Politics	AP Psychology
AP English Language & Composition	AP Biology
AP English Literature & Composition	AP U.S History
AP French Language & Culture	
AP Human Geography	
AP Macroeconomics	
AP Spanish Literature and Culture	
AP Spanish Language & Culture	
AP World History Modern	
AP Computer Science Principles	
AP Calculus AB	

Enrollment

Pathways - 12th Grade	811
Pathways (PK3 & PK4)	31
Primary School	385
Middle School	195
High School	166
Class of 2023	34

Diversity

Asian	5.67%
European	1.85%
Latin American (exc. Nic)	5.30%
Nicaraguan	65.84%
USA & Canada	21.58%
Dual citizens (U.S./Nicaraguan)	27.50%

Over 90% of our student body voluntarily participate in community service groups.

Certified Testing Center

ANS is a certified testing center for the ACT, AP, PSAT, and SAT Exams. ANS administers MAP Tests from 3rd through 9th Grade.

U.S. Diploma Requirements (9th -12th Grade)

Spanish:	4 years	
Mathematics:	4 years	
English:	4 years	
Social Studies:	4 years	
(including Economics and History)		
Elective Courses:	4 years	
Science:	4 years	
(Environmental Science, Biology, Chemistry and Physics)		
Physical Education:	2 years	
Visual & Performing Arts:	1 Semester	

Nicaraguan Bachillerato Diploma (7th-12th Grade)

In order to obtain the Nicaraguan Bachillerato Diploma, students must earn the following credits "In addition" to the U.S. Diploma requirements:

Geography of Nicaragua:	4 Semesters
History of Nicaragua:	3 Semesters
Community Values/	
Wellness Program:	5 years
Sociology:	1 Semester
Philosophy:	1 Semester
Physical Education:	5 years
Visual & Performing Arts:	3 years



Class of 2021 University Acceptances

USA

Alfred University Arizona State University Allegheny College Augustana College Ausbura University Auburn University **Bard College Baylor University Bennington College Bishop's University Boston University** California College of the Arts California University Pennsylvania Columbia University Colorado State University Clemson University Delaware Valley University Dickinson College Drexel University **Emerson College** Florida International University Fordham University Georgia State University Georgia Southern **High Point University** Indiana University Bloomington Johnson and Wales **Kieser University** Lynn University Loyola University New Orleans Loyola University of Chicago Loyola University Maryland Mercyhurst University Michigan State University Michigan Technologycal University Miami Dade College New York University - NYU Northeastern University Occidental College PrattMWP College Pratt Institute Penn State University

Pepperdine University Purdue Rutgers University Rhode Island School of Design Saint Edward's Saint John's College Saint Lawrence University Saint Louis University Madrid Saint Louis University Saint Mary's University Saint Mary's College Santa Fe College Santa Clara University Santa Monica College Southern Methodist University -SMU Savannah College or Art and Design - SCAD Southern Illinois University Stetson University Syracuse University Tallahassee Community College **Temple University** Texas A & M Texas Christian University The New School Tulane University of Alabama University of California Berkeley University of British Columbia University of Colorado Boulder Universidad de California en los Angeles University of California Irvine University of California San Diego University of Detroit Mercy University of Florida University of Georgia University of Houston University of Kansas University of Illinois University of Miami University of Notre Dame

Uiversity of New Hampshire Ulniversity of Redlands University of South Florida University of Southern California University of Scranton University of Texas at Dallas University of Waterloo University of Waterloo University of Western Ontario Villanova University Virginia Tech Walsh University Western Michigan University Worcester Polytechnic Institute Xavier University Yale University

Nicaragua

Universidad Americana - UAM Keiser Univeristy

Canada

Canada West University Concordia University MGill University University of Totonto Western University

International

CEU - Universidad Cardenal Herrera CEU - San Pablo IE University European University of Madrid John Cabot University Universidad de Navarra - UNAV Universidad de Anahuac Cancun Universidada Creativa - Costa Rica University College Dublin University of Melbourne