



Robert College

School Profile 2021-22

Graduating Class Size: 199

Overview

CEEB: 696220

The impact of COVID-19 on Turkey and Robert College (RC): All schools in Turkey moved to distance learning in March 2020, and during the 2020-2021 school year were only able to bring students in for short durations of hybrid learning. Despite these unprecedented limitations, RC was able to successfully deliver its full academic program. As of September 2021, all students have now returned to RC for in-person learning.

The School

Founded in 1863, Robert College is a private secondary school operated under the jurisdiction of the Turkish Ministry of Education and accredited by the New York State Association of Independent Schools. A coeducational, day and residential, university preparatory school, Robert College is located in Istanbul, on a sixty-five acre wooded area overlooking the Bosphorus strait.

Statement of Purpose

RC seeks to graduate young men and women with the skills, insights, and determination to function as leaders and contributing citizens in a wide range of social and cultural roles, both locally and internationally. For over 150 years, RC is proud to have graduated prime ministers, Olympians, notable academicians and a nobel laureate among many others successful in their respective fields.

Students

RC serves primarily Turkish students admitted solely on the basis of a highly competitive national exam; there are no legacy, sibling or transfer student contingencies. Seniors were admitted from within the top 0.01- 0.27% of approximately one million test takers. Thus, the academic ability of the student body of 1,042 is extraordinary. Unlike most international schools, the composition of the student body remains stable. Virtually all students who enter will graduate.

RC, home to many ethnic identities, enrolls day and residential students, the latter comprising 18% of the student body. The student body population is just over 1000. Though the school population is Turkish, the availability of residence halls creates significant geographic diversity and the generous financial aid program enables socio-economic diversity. Approximately 26% of the students receive financial aid to attend RC, totaling \$3.9 million this year. This is a reflection of RC's strong endowment and loyal, committed alumni.

Faculty

131 teachers, 65% of whom have a master's degree or higher, have an average of approximately 22 years teaching experience. 47% of our teachers come from 7 different countries outside Turkey. About 35% of our faculty has first language fluency in English. The student-teacher ratio is 8 to 1.

Academic Policy

Robert College does not report student rank. A student's

grade point average (GPA) is calculated on the basis of the grade and the number of hours each class meets per week. **None of the courses including AP courses are given special weight.** The passing grade is 60 for all courses.

To earn honors a student must obtain a grade point average of 70; for high honors, 85. Robert College's academic program is very demanding. By nature of the selective exam-based entrance into RC, students are academically very strong. Admission officers are encouraged to evaluate RC students' academic success in this context.

Regardless of their previous knowledge of English, all students must complete one full year of intensive ESL instruction at RC before being promoted to the regular four year high school program. English is the language of instruction in science, mathematics, literature, physical education, arts and music; Turkish is the language of instruction in social sciences and Turkish language/literature courses. **Please see the graduation requirements chart, on the following page, for more information.** Detailed information about each academic department, including course descriptions, are under 'Academics' on our website (www.robcol.k12.tr).

Advanced Placement

The following APs are available beginning in grade 10: Biology, Comparative Government and Politics, Chemistry, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Computer Science A, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, European History, French Language and Culture, German Language and Culture, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics 1, Physics 2, Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism, Physics C: Mechanics, Psychology, Statistics, World History, 2-D Art and Design, 3-D Art and Design Portfolio, Drawing. However, since our science curriculum is also very rigorous and demanding, taking the first two levels in each subject often covers the content found in AP courses. For this reason, many grade 10 students enter AP tests. Students who are unable to take these AP courses, or who wish to test in a subject not offered at RC, often study individually. On average, **92% of those tested in AP, score a 3 or above in at least one test.**

Community Involvement Projects (CIP)

CIP reflects the core values of RC: Responsibility, Leadership, Multiculturalism, Balance and Excellence. The program's aim is to create socially responsible citizens who see a need in the community and then act on it. Projects are student initiated and student led; RC teachers and staff serve as advisors. Every student is required to complete 75 hours of community service outside school hours. Many students go above and beyond this requirement.

Clubs

Over a hundred clubs are offered to students each year, covering a wide range of categories including arts, STEM, performance, personal skills, creativity, culture, academic learning, physical fitness, and service learning. Students in grades 9, 10 and 11 are required to enroll in a minimum of one club every year.

Curriculum and Standardized Testing

Class of 2021 AP Profile-AP Statistics						
Subjects*	tests taken	scored 5	scored 4	scored 3	% scored ≥ 3 from RC	% scored ≥ 3 2021 World
2-D Art and Design	8	2	4	1	100%	87%
Art History	1	0	0	1	100%	69%
Biology	42	10	17	11	90%	69%
Calculus AB	40	20	8	7	87%	61%
Calculus BC	86	72	10	3	99%	82%
Chemistry	92	39	29	22	98%	56%
Comparative Government and Politics	12	7	3	1	92%	70%
Computer Science A	16	10	4	0	88%	70%
English Language and Composition	56	22	13	8	77%	62%
English Literature and Composition	8	4	1	3	100%	60%
Environmental Science	4	0	0	1	25%	53%
European History	5	2	2	0	80%	60%
French Language and Culture	1	0	1	0	100%	83%
German Language and Culture	5	3	2	0	100%	74%
Human Geography	2	1	0	1	100%	59%
Macroeconomics	43	26	9	5	93%	63%
Microeconomics	46	29	8	8	98%	68%
Music Theory	3	1	0	2	100%	67%
Physics 1: Algebra-Based	35	13	19	2	97%	52%
Physics 2	37	8	16	9	89%	73%
Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	40	30	4	3	93%	74%
Physics C: Mechanics	56	40	16	0	100%	84%
Psychology	41	17	12	6	85%	71%
Statistics	8	5	1	1	88%	59%
United States Government and Politics	2	1	1	0	100%	58%
World History: Modern	2	1	1	0	100%	60%
Total	691	363	181	95	92%	67%

* Subjects in red correspond to the AP classes offered at RC

Class of 2021 AP Test Profile			
Grade	10	11	12
# Students who took AP tests	115	132	22
# Students who scored ≥ 3	107	129	22
% Students who scored ≥ 3	93%	98%	100%
# AP tests taken in total	164	486	40
# AP test results received ≥ 3	148	451	40
% AP test results received ≥ 3	90%	93%	100%

Distribution of Cumulative GPA's (Class of 2022)		
RC's Scale / Ministry Scale	Number of Students	Percentage of the Class
95-100	29	14.6
90-94	93	46.7
85-89	51	25.6
80-84	17	8.5
75-79	7	3.5
60-74	2	1.0
Number of Students: 199		
Mean of Cumulative GPAs (Levels 9-11): 90.3		

Graduation & Ministry Requirements (except Prep)			
Subject	yrs	Subject	yrs
Arts	1	Math	2
Biology 1	1	Philosophy	1
Chemistry 1	1	Physics 1	1
English	4	Religion	4
Geography	1	Traffic & First Aid	1
German / French	2	Turkish Lang. & Lit.	4
History	2	Turk. Rep. History	1
Physical Education	4		

2021 SAT Cohort			
Section	25th - 75th	Mean	# Students
EBRW	650 - 740	691	121
Math	750 - 790	768	121
Total	1410-1520	1459	121

Class of 2021 SAT Subject Test Profile			
Section	25th - 75th	Mean	# Students
Biology - Ecology	710-740	725	2
Biology - Molecular	710-800	752	15
Math Level I	520-750	705	6
Math Level II	560-800	763	102
SAT Chemistry	560-800	757	51
SAT French	490-730	582	5
SAT Literature	710-740	723	3
SAT Physics	630-800	752	53
SAT U.S. History	680	680	1
World History	640-740	687	3

Class of 2021 ACT Profile			
Section	25th - 75th	Mean	# Students
English	14 - 36	29	11
Math	25 - 36	33	11
Reading	17 - 34	25	11
Science Reas.	20 - 36	31	11
Composite	19 - 35	30	11



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Foreign University Matriculation 2019-2021

50% of Robert College graduates between 2019-21 chose to study abroad.

316 students have matriculated to the following institutions over the last three years:

(Matriculation numbers are indicated in parentheses, 2021 matriculations are shown in bold.)

USA

Babson College	1
Barnard College	1
Boston University	5
Bowdoin College	1
Brown University	3
California Institute of Technology	3
Carleton College	1
Carnegie Mellon University	3
Case Western Reserve University	1
Claremont McKenna College	1
Colby College	2
Colgate University	1
Columbia University	3
Connecticut College	1
Cornell University	1
Dartmouth College	3
Drew University	1
Drexel University	2
Emory University	6
Georgetown University	3
Georgia Institute of Technology	7
Grinnell College	3
Hamilton College	1
Harvard University	1
Harvey Mudd College	1
Lafayette College	2
New York University	11
Northeastern University	3
Northwestern University	4
Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences	1
Pennsylvania State University - University Park	1
Pomona College	2
Pratt Institute	4
Princeton University	2
Purdue University	1
Reed College	1
Rice University	1
Sarah Lawrence College	1
Sciences Po - Columbia University Dual BA	1
Smith College	1
Stanford University	5
Syracuse University	1
Trinity College	1
Tufts University	6
University of Akron	1
University of California, Berkeley	8
University of California, Davis	2
University of California, Los Angeles	3
University of California, Santa Barbara	1
University of Chicago	8
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	4
University of Michigan	5
University of Oregon	1
University of Pennsylvania	2
University of Richmond	1
University of Rochester	1
University of Texas, Austin	2
University of Washington	2
Vanderbilt University	4
Vassar College	1
Villanova University	2
Washington University in St. Louis	2
Williams College	2

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UK

Architectural Association School of Architecture	2
Durham University	1
Imperial College London	10
King's College London	7
Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts	1
Queen Mary University of London	2
The University of Nottingham	3
University College London	10
University of Cambridge	1
University of Edinburgh	5
University of Glasgow	1
University of Leeds	3
University of Manchester	6
University of Oxford	6
University of Warwick	3

Canada

Concordia University - Montreal	1
McGill University	4
University of British Columbia	3
University of Toronto	9

Europe

Catholic University of Leuven	2
Aalto University	1
LISAA	2
CODE University of Applied Sciences	1
Jacobs University	2
National University of Ireland - University College Dublin	1
Bocconi University	9
Istituto Marangoni, Milano	1
Politecnico di Torino	1
University of Bologna	3
University of Milano-Bicocca	1
Vita-Salute San Raffaele University	1
Amsterdam University College	2
Eindhoven University of Technology	3
Erasmus University Rotterdam	6
Gerrit Rietveld Academie	1
Leiden University	2
Maastricht University	1
Technical University (TU) Delft	13
Tilburg University	7
University College Tilburg	1
University College Utrecht	1
University of Amsterdam	3
University of Groningen	1
University of Twente	1
Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam	2
Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne	1

Asia

Nagoya University	1
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	1

Australia

University of Melbourne	1
University of Sydney	1