

The French Baccalaureate (*le bac*) and University Destinations

The French Bac is certainly not just for France!

About 60% of Rosey's French bac go on to the US or UK – very often to the very best schools and with a particularly high percentage of US-bound students to the most competitive universities with many to the Ivy League.

Of the last 91 French bac students (from 2011-2019) the statistics are these:

25 (about 28%)
went to the USA (21 students)
or Canada (4 students)



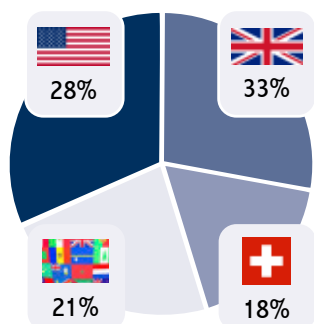
30 (about 33%)
went to the UK



16 (about 18%)
stayed in Switzerland



19 (about 21%)
went elsewhere (France, Germany,
Belgium, Spain, Italy, Lebanon, etc.).



Of the 25 who went to the USA or Canada (N. America is the most popular destination):

- 10 (40%) went to "Ivy League" schools — Brown (2), UPenn (5), Dartmouth (2) and Cornell (1)
- 4 went to other "top" schools — Berkeley, Duke, and Toronto (2)
- The other destinations were: Babson, NYU, USC (U. of Southern California), Northeastern, Richmond and the Colorado School of Mines.

Of those who went to the UK:

- 14 (47%) went to universities in London.
- 16 of the 30 (53%) went to highly ranked ("top 50") universities including: 1 to LSE, 1 to Cambridge, 3 to UCL (University College London) ranked in the world "top ten".

Of the 16 who stayed in Switzerland:

- 7 went to the Lausanne Hotel School (generally considered the best in the world)
- 2 went to ETH Zurich, EPFL Lausanne (ranked in the world's top ten universities).

... and in 2020, 3 students accepted "early" to Bocconi University, NYU.

Clearly, the French bac is an excellent passport to universities across the world and Le Rosey bac students do very well — although, of course, the quality of the student is the most important factor.