

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 69 French bac students (from 2011-2017) the statistics are these:

22 (about 32%)
went to the USA (18 students)
or Canada (4 students)



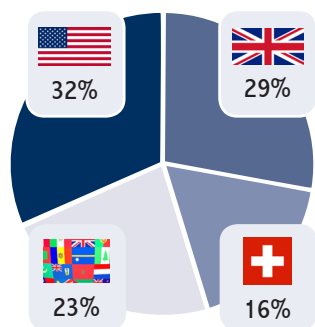
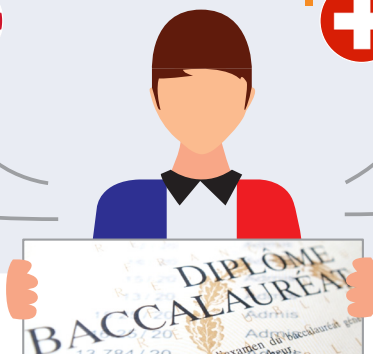
20 (about 29%)
went to the UK



11 (about 16%)
stayed in Switzerland



16 (about 23%)
went elsewhere (France, Germany,
Belgium, Spain, Italy, Lebanon, etc.).



Of the 22 who went to the USA or Canada (N. America is the most popular destination):

- 7 (32%) went to “Ivy League” schools — Brown (2), Dartmouth (2) and UPenn (3)
- 4 went to other “top” schools — Berkeley, Duke, and Toronto (2)
- The other destinations were: Babson, NYU, USC (U. of Southern California), Boston, Northeastern, Pepperdine, Richmond, UCLA and the Colorado School of Mines.

Of those who went to the UK:

- 14 (70%) went to universities in London.
- 10 of the 18 (50%) went to highly ranked (“top 50”) universities including three (14%) to UCL (University College London), one to LSE (London School of Economics) and one to Imperial College London, ranked in the world “top ten”.

Of the 10 who stayed in Switzerland:

- one went to ETH Zurich (ranked in the world's top ten universities) and two to EPFL (ranked in the world top 20)
- 4 went to the Lausanne Hotel School (generally considered the best in the world)
- 2 chose the University of Lausanne: HEC and Medicine.

... and in 2018 two students have been accepted “early” to the Ivy League — UPenn.

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.