



The Island School

SEMESTER & SUMMER TERM

Dress Code:

When not in school uniform, casual attire is permitted as are most clothes. *We provide reasonable rules and procedures for daily dress outside of the academic school day/week as follows:*

- *No torn or ripped clothing.*
- *No clothing with inappropriate language or symbols (including vulgar, bigoted, belittling, or exclusionary language or imagery, or the promotion of tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs).*
- *Clothing must not expose midriffs, underwear/ undergarments or buttocks, have open sides or be transparent/shear.*
- *Shirts must be worn except at the beach, in the water or when exercising.*
- *Footwear must be worn at all times (except on the beach, in the dormitories, on boats, or in the water).*
- Students should plan on bringing casual but conservative clothing.

Clarifications

Meals: uniform (Breakfast & Lunch Mon-Sat), dress code (Sun & Dinner)

Class Time: uniform

Research or Fieldwork: long sleeve, hat, sunglasses, and appropriate footwear. Your research advisor will inform you of the appropriate clothing for your specific research class once you are here.

Athletics/Swim Uniform: Morning Exercise, Expeditions

**** SCUBA diving:** All students are to wear a full coverage long sleeve top, full coverage bathing suit, including spandex or shorts when diving. Wetsuit optional.

Dorms: dress code

Study Hours: dress code

Community Engagement or special events: uniform, specifically a Semester polo shirt, and longer conservative skirts, shorts, or pants.

Downtime/Exploration time: dress code. Whenever students are outside of the dorm, they must always be wearing shorts/pants, and shirts unless swimming or participating in AMX.

**Note: Dress codes vary by program and division. The dress code outlined above pertains to Semester & Summer Term students.*

Summer Term Packing List

This checklist is our strong suggestion of quantities you will need for your stay. Keeping your bag **limited to one duffel** (we do not recommend suitcases with wheels, please check your airline policies as most limit bag weight to 50lbs) and a carry-on is very important for travel and storage purposes in the dormitories. It is also important to note that **students will have the opportunity to send their laundry out once a week**. Finally, though you can buy some items in the school store, we recommend that you buy what you need ahead of time, and use the school store as a backup resource.

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Toiletries

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- 1 Shampoo ~12 oz
- 1 Conditioner ~12 oz
- 1 Body wash/bar of soap ~12 oz
- 1 Toothpaste ~6 oz
- Personal hygiene items; toothbrush, deodorant, feminine products
- 1 Sunscreen ~12 oz SPF 30+ and Reef Safe if possible (we do not recommend spray)
- 2 SPF 15+ lip balm/chapstick
- Bug spray

Uniform (Classroom and Field)

- 3-4 IS T-shirts *Please note, the IS athletics shirts are not uniform appropriate
- 2 IS Polo
- 3 Solid khaki/navy shorts
- 1 Belt
- 2 Casual footwear (flip-flops, sandals, etc.) *Please note, flimsy flip-flops do not last long when worn frequently across campus
- 1 Long-sleeve rash guard**
- 1 Synthetic, long sleeve shirt (IS Athletics or Sun shirt is great for this)**
- 1 pair Board shorts or black/navy running shorts for diving and field work**

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Athletic Uniform

- 1 Black/navy athletic bathing suit (*Please refer to dress code for additional details)
- 1 Running shoes
- 1 Closed-toe footwear that you can run in and get wet/dirty (old sneakers work great)
- 3-4 Black/navy athletic shorts (running or compression shorts) - We recommend having both depending on activity.
- 5 Black/navy sports bras
- 3 Athletic shorts
- 5 Athletic socks
- 1 Swim goggles/swim mask (no nose cover)

Other Clothes

- 2 Casual shorts to be worn on free time (conservative length)
- 1 Pairs jeans/pants (no excessive holes/tears)
- 3-4 Tidy and appropriate t-shirts (no excessive graphics)
- 2 Button down or blouse
- 2 Modestly cut knee-length dress or skirt (no spaghetti straps or cutouts)
- 1 Sweatpants
- 1 Cardigan sweater
- Enough underwear to last **10 days**
- Hawaiian shirt, worn every Tuesday! (optional)
- 4 Reusable face masks

Outdoor Clothing & Gear

- 1 Light polyester/cotton mix pant or synthetic leggings
- 1 Hooded sweatshirt or pullover
- 1 Rain jacket
- 1 Knee-high socks
- 1 Long-sleeve rash guard
- 1 Synthetic, long sleeve shirt (IS Athletics shirt is great for this)
- 1 Headlamp & extra batteries
- 1 Bike helmet
- 1 Bowl & utensils
- 1 Leatherman-style multi-tool (pliers are great to have)
- 1 Lightweight sleeping bag
- 2-3 Water bottles
- 1-2 Hats (We recommend bringing both a baseball and a wide-brimmed hat)
- 1-2 Bandanas
- 2 Sunglasses (Sunglasses are very important in The Bahamas; however, they are also easily lost or broken, please take this into consideration when packing)
- 1 No-see-um/Mosquito bed net (e.g. stansport double mosquito net)
- 1 Versatile camping shoes (i.e Texas, Chacos, Keens, your "run-swim" shoes)

SCUBA Gear

- 1 Dive mask, snorkel & fins set
- 1 Mesh gear bag (important for keeping your gear separate for risk management)
- 1 Wetsuit (3mm, full or shortie as a preference) *Please note, this is optional as the summer months are warm enough for just a rash guard.

School Supplies

- 1 Laptop *If you do not have access to a laptop, please reach out before the start of the Term.
- 1 External hard-drive or flash drive (we highly recommend an external hard drive with 4GB+ memory)
- 1 Three-subject notebook Pens/pencils
- 1 Backpack
- 1 Spare batteries as needed

Personal Items

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- 1 Waterproof digital watch (at least 50m depth, essential for day-to-day and dive training)
- 1 Spare watch (cheap, for backup)
- 2 Towels (1 bath, 1 beach)
- 1 Laundry bag with drawstring (clearly labeled)
- 2 Sets of standard, twin size bed sheets, including 2 pillowcases
- Electrolyte tablets/packets (e.g. Nuun, LMNT, Pedialyte Sport)
- Topical itch cream (e.g. Topical Benadryl, Hydrocortisone)
- \$200-\$300 Cash (recommended for store purchases, Down Island Trips & travel)

Alumni have shared that make-up products are not a necessary part of our Summer Term. If you choose to bring make-up products, please bring only a small amount as you'll be packing out what you pack in!

Optional Items

- 1 Sarong
- 1 Stadium Chair (e.g. Crazy Creek)
- 1 Sleeping pad for expeditions
- 1 Lufa (e.g. ecopouf sponge)
- Envelopes & stamps (US postage)
- 1 Digital camera or GoPro (strongly recommended, point and shoot is the most versatile)
- 1 Bugnet hammock (for use on expedition trips)
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- Crocs
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