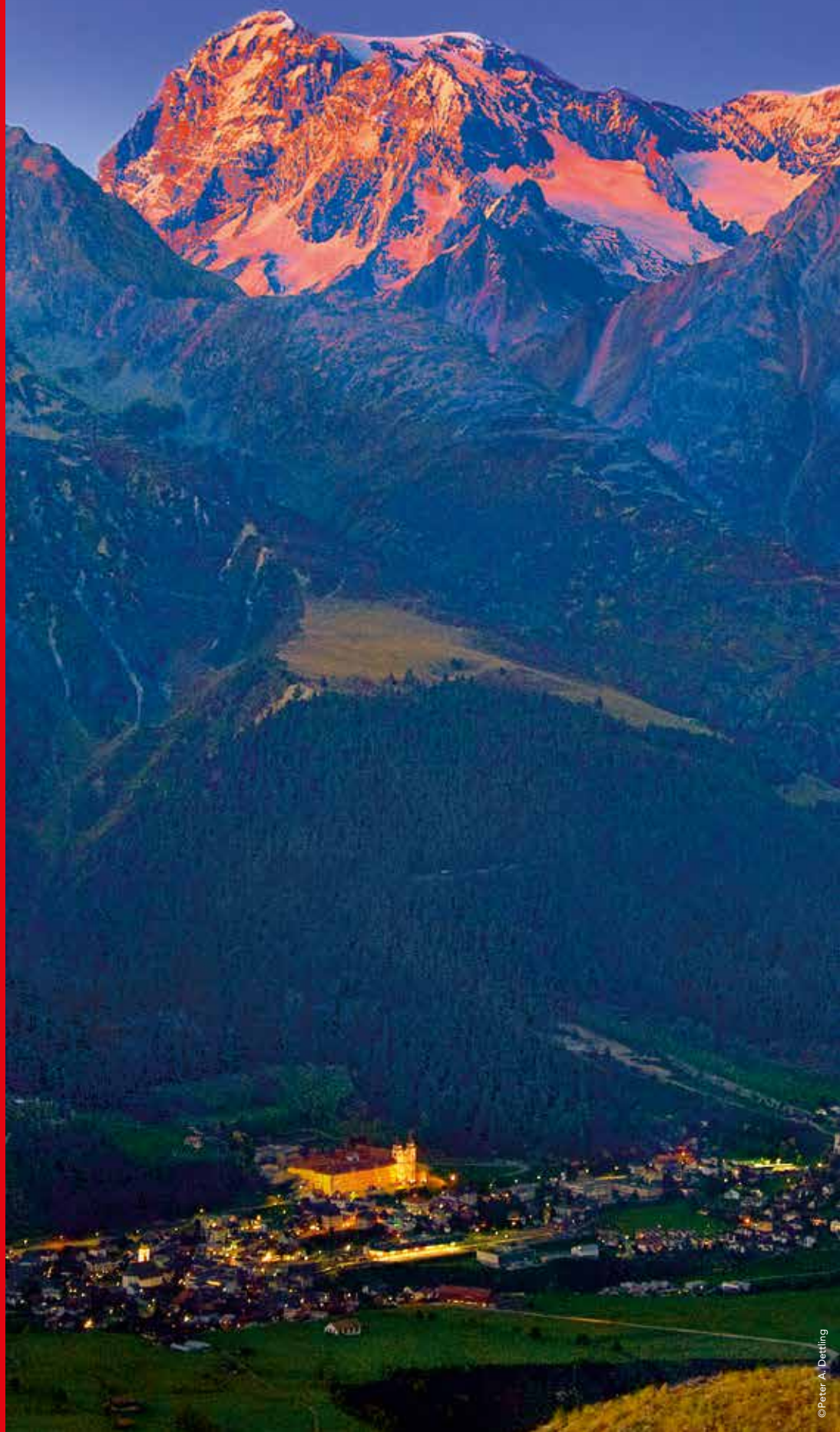




Grammar and boarding school Disentis – Towards the ultimate.



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KLOSTER DISENTIS







Welcome at Gymnasium & Internat Kloster Disentis – your gateway to a successful future!

The Benedictine abbey of Disentis, a vast baroque structure with a magnificent, twin-towered church, thrones majestically over the valley of Disentis. As a place of learning, our tradition – both oral and written – of passing on knowledge to the next generation looks back on 1400 years of history. In our Gymnasium & Internat (grammar and boarding school), students from all corners of the globe embark “towards the ultimate” – from Disentis on to the best universities in the world.

Our grammar school serves the Surselva region; two thirds of our students come from this beautiful, idyllic area. The boarding school students come from all over the world, creating an international community where multiculturalism is a part of daily life.

Gain a first impression from our brochure – and plan a trip to the mountains. We would be delighted to meet you personally.



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The ethos.



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Sarah Calörtscher

Dramaturg, musician and author,
Kleist Prize 2024

«I have fond memories of the family atmosphere and I appreciated the fact that there was room for artistic interests.»





Structure, values, prospects – our commitment. For almost 1400 years

Situated in the heart of Switzerland, at the source of the river Rhine, our renowned school has played a major cultural and economic role for almost 1400 years.

Our appreciation for nature and culture, combined with our Benedictine spirit of openmindedness, creates an inspiring educational atmosphere – one that has shaped countless personalities over the years. The student body of almost 150 boys and girls is an optimal size; throughout their education, teenagers from all over Switzerland and abroad develop into independent, responsible adults.





Thabo Beeler
Oscar-award winner 2019

*"My years at the boarding school
in Disentis belong to the best
of my life."*



Our educational provision.



Christian-humanistic.

Our school culture is distinguished by a high-achievement approach that encourages students to take responsibility – for themselves and for others. We offer the six-year grammar school from grade 7 or the four-year grammar school from grade 9, both of which lead to the “Matura”, Switzerland’s university entrance qualification.

In keeping with the Christian-humanistic tradition of our education model, we foster the disciplines of language, music and natural sciences and complement these subjects with sporting programmes. Selected subjects are taught through the medium of English. In addition, our school boasts a first-class choir. Students are supported by our professional team.

In the natural sciences, students are instructed in the latest findings and methods in biology, chemistry, physics and geography. Through practice-based teaching, students gain new insights into the natural world, technology, medicine and the environment, thus mastering the skills and knowledge required to understand these domains from a scholarly perspective.

The success rate at the «Numerus Clausus»: 80 percent of our graduates managed the entrance exam for medical studies.

Local – global.

International outlook.

The school at Kloster Disentis is one of Europe's oldest education institutions – building bridges between cultures belongs to its tradition.

In an increasingly globalised world, the school's internationalism gives both the Swiss and international students the opportunity to learn the skills to navigate life in a modern and interconnected world.

Experiencing other cultures and continents helps us to see the world with different eyes and to treat the environment and our fellow humans with more care. In this respect, internationalism is, for an abbey situated in the middle of the Alps, nothing new: Kloster Disentis has been open to all four points of the compass for 1400 years. Our boarding school offers students from all parts of the world the unique opportunity to complete the "Matura", Switzerland's internationally renowned university entrance qualification. The core programme comprises 13 subjects including three languages: a demanding curriculum and the best preparation for university studies in Europe. Thanks to the high quality of our Matura, our graduates are exempt from university entrance examinations at Swiss universities, and they have the opportunity to study at the best higher education institutions throughout Europe, the US and many other countries.

**Towards the
ultimate**

Through level-based
study support, a success
rate of 98% in passing the
"Matura" is achieved.





Claudio Gienal
Chief Transformation Officer European Markets
& Global Health, AXA Group

«Besides being a great place to develop academic knowledge and interest, the Gymnasium & Internat Kloster Disentis was an experience that strongly formed my character, allowing me to build the mental and physical resilience from which I continue to benefit in my private and professional life.»



**The oldest
Benedictine abbey
north of the Alps**





Grammar school: towards the ultimate.

Young people study in the heart of the Alps and thus come into contact with different languages and cultures. They lay the foundation for studying at a major university in a German-, French- or English-speaking country.



Boarding school: friendships for life





Disentis: idyllic nature combined with modern leisure pursuits



Your second home.



Prof. Clemens Sialm
Professor of Finance,
University of Texas at Austin, USA

"I learned to think analytically, work with discipline, and act in the interests of the group. At the beginning of my grammar school education, I was not a particularly good student. The mid-size school community and personal support did me the world of good."



Boarding school with single rooms.

Supervised study time and personal learning support on a daily basis guarantee the best possible learning success.

Regular feedback sessions foster personal development and character. The boarding school has tastefully appointed single rooms with en-suite bathrooms.

The Alpine landscape provides an inspiring environment for personal development in sport, culture, and music.

Supervision by trained prefects, 24-hour supervision, shared meal-times, communal living, activities and excursions, co-responsibility, academic support, cinema, study rooms, fitness room, sports hall, billiard room and much more.



Free time and friendship.



DPhil Flurin Caviezel
Candidate in Cancer Research,
University of Oxford, United Kingdom

„The strong sense of community offers an outstanding environment to build great friendships as well as broaden your knowledge! Independence and responsibility are taught with high priority and are up to date important values which helped me advance.“





The foundation for learning.

At our grammar and boarding school, the students' quality life enjoys top priority.

We provide pastoral care to support our young people with help and guidance, as well as a wide range of extra-curricular activities. Our commitment to healthy work-life balance enhances student well-being, and our strong international network provides opportunities to make the most of their school years. Students can also develop their interests through our diverse range of music, sport and leisure programmes.



Together towards the ultimate.

Make the most of your potential in our unique learning community.



Structure.

- Defined learning and study times in a weekly schedule
- Sport and cultural activities
- Vocal training in a renowned choir
- Study and learning support for boarders
- Attractive community weeks
- Diverse range of leisure activities



Prospects.

- Live and learn where students and staff from different regional, urban, and global backgrounds come together
- Modern classrooms and infrastructure
- Demanding graduation with three languages, generally allowing examination-exempt entry to globally leading universities and other higher education institutions
- Three-week intensive English language course in an English-speaking country
- Cambridge Advanced English certificate (CAE) and on request Cambridge Proficiency English certificate (CPE)
- Annual interdisciplinary focus weeks
- Sport in interest groups discover new sports including skiing, climbing, mountain biking and much more
- Access to network of student association and the alumni association
- Annual career and study preparation days with active participation of professionals from the school's alumni



Values

- Daily experience of an intercultural environment thanks to international students and staff
- Accommodation in internationally renowned buildings of architectural significance

What makes us stand out – our grammar and boarding school:

School grades.

You can keep up easily – and you are keen to excel.

School subjects.

You're looking for more than regular school subjects. Latin could pique your interest. Or chemistry, economics and law or our choir.

A'level Matura & university studies.

You have a goal. You want to reach it. And you want to be able to focus optimally on your goals in the coming years.

Independent spirit.

You do care deeply about your own path and whether it is right for you.

Horizons.

You are open-minded towards other people, other views, other languages, other cultures.

Leisure & sport.

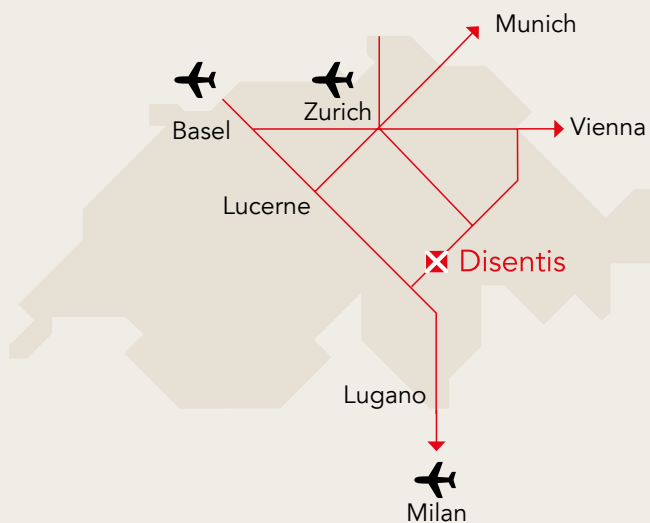
You spend the weekends, public holidays and school holidays in autumn and spring with us in the mountains.

Friends & peers.

You are together with your peers, many of whom will become your friends – most likely your best. You spend time with them from early in the morning to late at night – in lessons, during study and homework time, at mealtime, and in your free time.

Structure, values, prospects – our commitment.

Are you ready? Then pay us a visit. We look forward to meeting you!



**Want to try out
our grammar and
boarding school?**

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