QSI International School of Atyrau
2018-2019
SCHOOL PROFILE

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QSI International School of Atyrau is a member of Quality Schools International (QSI), a consortium of nonprofit college-preparatory schools following an American-style, international curriculum. Quality Schools International has 37 schools in 31 countries, with headquarters in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

QSI International School of Atyrau embraces the mastery learning educational philosophy, leading to appropriately challenging instruction within a positive and enjoyable learning environment.

History & Academics

- Founded in 2007
- Fully accredited through Middle States Association (MSA)
- Affiliated with the U.S. Department of State Office of Overseas Schools (AOS)
- American college preparatory curriculum
- Private, nonprofit international school
- Language of instruction: English
- Several AP courses offered onsite; online AP courses offered as needed

Enrollment

- 115 students Preschool through Secondary IV (Pre-K through 12)
- Students represent 30 nationalities

GPA and Rank in Class

Due to the nature of our school and the small class sizes, QSI International School of Atyrau does not rank students. The cumulative GPA on the student’s transcript only reflects courses taken at QSI. Grades from previous schools are not included in the GPA but they are listed on student transcripts.

GPA Data

Cumulative through the end of Secondary III (11th grade); only QSI International School of Atyrau grades are included.

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SAT Scores

The SAT was administered to QSI International School of Atyrau students from 2016-2018. All scores, including those from non-native English speakers, are included.

- QSI International School of Atyrau Mean SAT score: 1270
- World Mean 2015: 1090

QSI International School of Atyrau
Location: Atyrau, Kazakhstan
Population: 210,000

Map showing the location of Atyrau, Kazakhstan on a world map.
Advanced Placement Program

QSI International School of Atyrau offers onsite AP classes and online AP classes. We do not have a set limit on the number of AP classes that students can take.

Grading

Mastery of each essential unit is evaluated with an A or B (mastery grades). B denotes mastery of learning outcomes at a high level of understanding. A represents mastery where the student demonstrates higher order thinking skills. Mediocre or poor work, resulting in Cs and Ds, is not acceptable, and students will re-engage until they demonstrate mastery. Students who master a unit with a B evaluation may attempt to demonstrate a higher level of mastery at a later time, within that current school year, to change the evaluation to an A. Time periods (quarters, semesters, and terms) are not evaluated. Assessment is continuous and student performance is assessed on learning outcomes and units of study.

Graduation Requirements

The school offers three diplomas.

Academic Diploma with Honors: 24 Carnegie Units (240 QSI Unit Credits)

Requirements are the same as The Academic Diploma with the added condition that accumulated credits include at least two IB certificates or Advanced Placement (AP) courses. A total of 240 credits are required for this diploma.

- English (70), Science (20), Technology (10), Mathematics (20), Fine Arts (10), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (40), Electives (5), Two AP courses (20)

Academic Diploma: 24 Carnegie Units (240 QSI Unit Credits)

- English (70), Science (20), Technology (10), Mathematics (20), Fine Arts (10), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (40), Electives (25)

General Diploma-22 Carnegie Units (220 QSI Unit Credits)

- Available to students who experience English language difficulties, time restraints, or other challenges that make it impractical to pursue an academic diploma

- English (40), Science (20), Technology (10), Mathematics (20), Fine Arts (10), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (20), Electives (55)

Course Offerings, Electives, and Extracurricular Activities 2018-2019

- **English:** Literature I & II, Writing I & II, American Literature, British Literature, Research Project, Technology

- **Mathematics:** Algebra I & II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, AP Calculus, AP Statistics

- **Science:** Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Physical Science, AP Biology, AP Chemistry

- **Cultural Studies:** World Geography, World History, U.S. History, World Governments, Economics, AP Psychology

- **Languages:** French, AP French, Russian

- **Fine Arts:** Art, Drama, Instrumental Band, AP Studio Art

- **Personal Wellness:** Health, Wellness, Team Sports, Lifetime Sports

- **Extracurricular:** Volleyball, Cross Country, Soccer, Basketball, United Nations

QSI International School of Atyrau University Matriculation 2016-2018

- Brock University, Ontario, Canada
- Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada
- University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
- University of Houston, United States

Not all university acceptances are included; only universities which students who graduated from QSI International School of Atyrau actually attended are listed below.