

Baku International School 2018-2019 SCHOOL PROFILE



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Baku International School 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.

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

History & Academics

- Founded in 1994
- 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
- 9 AP courses offered onsite; online AP courses offered as needed



Enrollment

- 204 students Preschool through Secondary IV (Pre-K through 12)
- Students represent 36 nationalities
- Class of 2019: 11 students representing 6 nationalities

GPA and Rank in Class

Due to the nature of our school and the small class sizes, Baku International School 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 Baku International School grades are included.

3.75-4.0	2
3.50-3.74	3
3.25-3.49	4
3.00-3.24	0

SAT Scores

Due to the mobility of Baku International Students, relatively small graduating classes, and the variety of educational systems from which students come, SAT scores are not reported.

Baku International School
Location: Baku, Azerbaijan
Population: 2.166 million



Advanced Placement Program

Baku International School 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. The means listed below are from the years 2016-2018.

AP Exam Name	Mean score*
Art History	3.75
Biology	4.0
Calculus AB	3.71
Chemistry	5.0
Computer Science Principles	2.83
English Language & Composition	3.5
English Literature & Composition	3.4
French Language & Culture	5.0
Human Geography	4.33
Italian Language & Culture	5.0
Psychology	4.22
Statistics	4.67
Studio Art Portfolio	4.0
World History	4.4

*Due to small class sizes and in order to maintain the privacy of students, all test results include data from the past three school years. For students who took standardized tests multiple times, only their highest score was included.

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
Technology

Mathematics:

Algebra I & II
Geometry
Trigonometry
Pre-Calculus

Science:

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Physical Science

Cultural Studies

Economics
U.S. History
World Geography
World Governments
World History

Health and Physical

Education:
Fitness & Health
Lifetime Sports
Team Sports

Languages:

French
Italian
Russian
Turkish

Fine Arts:

Art
Drama
Instrumental Band

AP Courses:

AP Biology
AP Calculus
AP Computer Sci A
AP Computer Sci Principles
AP Government
AP Human Geography
AP Literature and Composition
AP Psychology
AP Studio Art

Extracurricular:

Basketball
Cross Country
Model United Nations
Soccer
Track and Field
Volleyball

Baku International School University Matriculation 2016-2018

Students who have recently graduated from Baku International School have been accepted to the following post-secondary schools:

<p><u>United States</u> Beloit College Binghamton University Colgate University Columbia University DePaul University Dominican University Florida Institute of Technology Hofstra University Penn State University Regis University Rensselaer Rutgers University Sarah Lawrence Seattle Pacific University University of Pennsylvania University of San Francisco University of Rochester Wentworth Institute of Technology Wheaton University</p>	<p><u>United Kingdom:</u> Essex University Kent University King's College Imperial College University College London University of Edinburgh</p> <p><u>Europe:</u> Erasmus University Webster University Geneva University of Warsaw Ecole Hoteliere de Lausanne IED - Europe</p> <p><u>Canada:</u> Dalhousie University York University McGill Algoma University</p> <p><u>Asia</u> Tsukuba University Yonsei University</p>
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