# QSI International School of Malta 2020-2021 SCHOOL PROFILE

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QSI International School of Malta 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 Malta.

QSI International School of Malta 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
- 16 AP courses offered

AP Seminar	AP World History
AP Calculus AB	AP Human
	Geography
AP Statistics	AP European History
AP Environmental	AP Microeconomics
Science	
AP Biology	AP Macroeconomics
AP Physics 1	AP French
AP Literature &	AP Psychology
Composition	
AP Research	AP Calculus BC



### **Enrollment**

- 214 students Preschool through Secondary IV (Pre-K through 12)
- Students represent over 39 nationalities
- Class of 2021: 6 students representing 4 nationalities

### **GPA and Rank in Class**

Due to the nature of our school and the small class sizes, QSI Malta 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 (11<sup>th</sup> grade); only QSI International School of Malta grades are included.

3.75-4.0	12
3.50-3.74	6
3.25-3.49	7
3.00-3.24	1

**PSAT:** QSI International School of Malta administers the **PSAT**. The

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test is a standardized test administered by the College Board and cosponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation in the United States. Approximately 3.5 million students take the PSAT/NMSQT each year.).

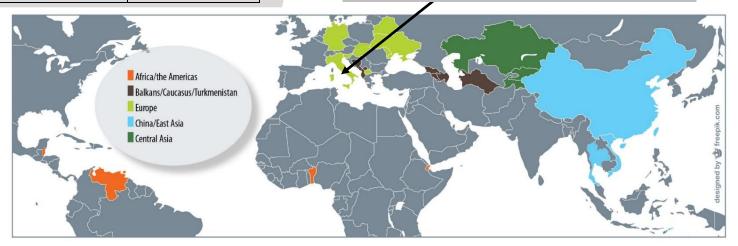
SAT: QSI International School of Malta administers the SAT. The

Scholastic Assessment Test is a standardized test widely used for college admissions in the United States. The SAT is wholly owned, developed, and published by the College Board, a private, not-for-profit organization in the United States. It is administered on behalf of the College Board. The SAT was administered to 21 students from 2016-2018.

MAP: QSI International School of Malta administers Measure of

Academic Progress assessment. MAP is a computerized adaptive test which helps teachers, parents, and administrators improve learning for all students and make informed decisions to promote a child's academic growth.)

QSI International School of Malta Location: Mosta, Malta Population: 20,988











# **Advanced Placement Program**

QSI International School of Malta 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 2018-2020.

AP Exam Name	Mean
	score*
Biology	2.6
Environmental Science	2.8
Physics 1	3.7
Calculus AB	3.7
European History	2.7
Human Geography	2
Statistics	2.7
World History: Modern	3
Language & Composition	2.7
Literature & Composition	2.75
German Language & Culture	4.3
Italian Language & Culture	4.75
Spanish Language & Culture	4.25
French Language & Culture	4.6

<sup>\*</sup>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 four 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 (30), Technology (10), Mathematics (30), Fine Arts (10), Personal

Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (40), Electives (10)

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

English (70), Science (30), Technology (10), Mathematics (30), Fine Arts (10), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (40), Electives (10)

#### 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 (30), Electives (50)

### AP Capstone Diploma:

The AP Capstone Diploma program, designed by the College Board, equips students with skills vital for academic success at university. The program consists of two key courses, AP Seminar and AP Research, and at least four other AP courses. Students who successfully complete these core courses and obtain scores of 3 or higher on their respective exams, receive an AP Capstone Certificate. Students who also obtain scores of 3 or higher on four or more other AP exams earn an AP Capstone Diploma.

# Course Offerings, Electives, and **Extracurricular Activities**

**English:** Literature I & II Writing I & II **American Literature British Literature Research Project Technology Genre Studies** Creative Writing Media & Publications I

**Mathematics:** Algebra Advanced Math I & II Geometry AP Calculus **AP Statistics** 

**Consumer Math** 

Science: Biology Chemistry **AP Physics 1 Physical Science** AP Biology Discovery Science **Microbiology AP Environmental** 

Science

**Cultural Studies:** World Geography **Modern World History USA** History **Economics World Governments AP World History AP Human Geography AP European History AP Economics** 

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

Languages: French I & II Italian I & II Spanish I

Fine Arts: Art Drama **Vocal Music** 

**Extracurricular**: **National Honor** Society **Student Council** MUN Yearbook **Debate Club** Athletics (soccer, basketball, volleyball)

# **QSI International School of Malta University Matriculation 2016-2020**

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

**United States:** Rutgers **Barnard** Drexel **Pratt Institute Emory** Arizona State University Northeastern University of North Carolina San Jose State University University of California: Davis University of Rhode Island University of California: San Diego Columbia College Pace University University of Miami **UNC at Chapel Hill** 

#### **United Kingdom:**

University of Liverpool **Queens University** University of Sussex **Royal Holloway** University of Leicester University of Portsmouth

#### Canada:

Queen's University Canada University of Toronto York University University of British Columbia Europe:

European University of Madrid University of Lisbon Czech Technical University Catholic University of Lisbon University of New York in **Prague** 

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