

Ashgabat International School (AIS) 2020-2021 SCHOOL PROFILE

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Ashgabat 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 36 schools (including the virtual school) in 29 countries, with headquarters in Malta.

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



Enrollment

- 193 students Preschool through Secondary IV
- Students represent 17 nationalities
- Class of 2020: 10 students representing 5 nationalities

GPA and Rank in Class

Due to the nature of our school and the small class sizes, Ashgabat 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.

SAT Scores

The SAT was administered to 28 students from 2018-2020. The highest score from each student, including those from non-native English speakers, are included.
AIS Mean SAT score: 1100

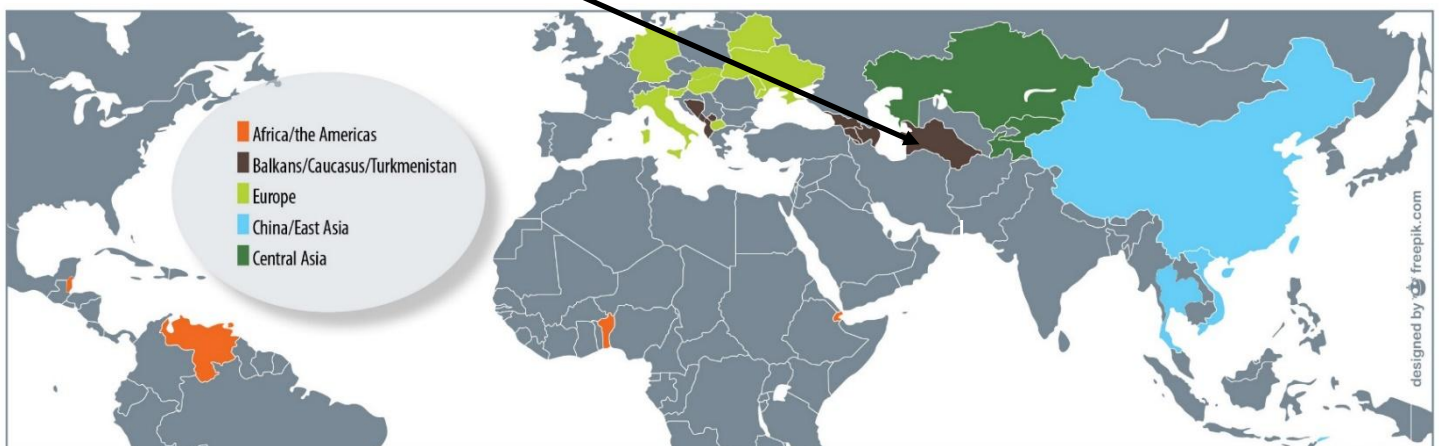
History & Academics

- 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
- 2 AP courses offered onsite; online AP courses offered as needed

COVID-19 Statement

Due to COVID-19, AIS has been conducting a combination of online lessons and ½ day study sessions since March 2020. Currently, all overseas teachers are out of Turkmenistan, and not expected to be able to enter the country until January 2021 at the earliest, so study sessions are being monitored by locally hired teachers and para-professionals. During this period, students are continuing to receive a full academic course load and are expected to meet the same graduation requirements as they would if AIS were conducting full in-person learning. This has proven to be a challenge due to the instability of internet connectivity and access to websites in Turkmenistan, but both students and staff are finding creative ways to overcome this challenge. In addition, our students have had less access to SAT/SAT Subject tests because of an inability to get testing materials into Turkmenistan. To date, the SAT testing center in Turkmenistan has not been able to successfully conduct an SAT testing administration. We ask that all higher education institutions take this into account when evaluating our students' applications.

Ashgabat International School
Location: Turkmenistan
The Population of Ashgabat is estimated to be 650,000



Advanced Placement Program

AIS 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 2016-2019.

AP Exam Name	Mean score*
Biology	2.5
Calculus AB	5.0
Calculus BC	4.0
Comparative Government	5.0
Computer Science A	1.75
Computer Principles	5.0
English Language and Comp	3.0
English Literature and Comp	4.5
Environmental Science	2.0
Human Geography	4.0
Macroeconomics	3.8
Microeconomics	4.0
Physics 1	3.67
Physics 2	3.0
Psychology	4.0
Statistics	3.0
US History	4.0
World History: Modern	2.4

*Due to small class sizes and in order to maintain the privacy of students, all test results include data from the past four school years.

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 (30), Technology (10), Mathematics (30), Fine Arts (10), Wellness (10), Physical Education (10), 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), Wellness (10), Physical Education (10), 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), Wellness (10), Physical Education (10), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (30), Electives (50)

Course Offerings, Electives, and Extracurricular Activities 2020-2021

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

Personal Health:

Wellness
Team Sports
Lifetime Sports
In-Depth Sports
Advanced Fitness

Languages:

French
AP French
Russian

Fine Arts:

Art
Drama
Instrumental Band
AP Studio Art

Extracurricular:

Volleyball
Basketball
Model United Nations
Soccer
Drama
Musical
Leadership Forum
Band
Ceramics
National Honor Society

AIS University Matriculation 2015-2020

Not all university acceptances are included; only universities which students who graduated from AIS actually attended are listed below. A number listed behind a college indicates that more than one student attended that college.

United States: Columbia University of Colorado Madison Area Technical College University of Massachusetts (Lowell)	United Kingdom: King's College University of East London University of Sussex University of Leicester
	Canada: University of Waterloo University of Toronto Memorial University NFLD
	Asia: Yale National University of Singapore Intec Education College
Europe: Yeditepe University (2) Moscow State University (2) Fashion Design School of Paris	Other: University of Tripoli