



# THE AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF MUSCAT

## High School Profile 2023-2024

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The American International School of Muscat (TAISM), located in the Sultanate of Oman, was established in 1998 as an independent, non-profit, college preparatory day school. It is located on a purpose-built 19-acre campus in Ghala, in the center of Muscat.



TAISM is the only American-based educational institution in Oman and the only school sponsored by the U.S. Embassy in the country. TAISM is a U.S. Department of State Assisted School.

TAISM is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and is a member of the Near East South Asia Council of Overseas Schools (NESAC) and the Council of International Schools (CIS).

**Community:** TAISM is a school for students of the American and international community in Oman. As of August 2023, the total school enrollment is 584 in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12. The High School enrollment is 191 with 42 in Grade 12, 48 in Grade 11, 59 in Grade 10, and 42 in Grade 9. The current High School student body includes students from 39 nationalities, with 29% from the United States. Parents of TAISM students represent a variety of business, government and other professional backgrounds.

There are 27 faculty members serving the High School, representing 6 different countries, with 70% from the United States. TAISM's faculty is comprised of highly qualified and experienced individuals with 81% holding master's degrees.

### PROGRAM OF STUDIES

TAISM offers a rigorous college/university preparatory program and courses are based on United States curricular standards. Course offerings in 2023-2024 include 15 Advanced Placement (AP) courses (see below). Enrollment in AP courses at TAISM is nonselective, although there are prerequisites for some AP courses, and teachers and counselors provide guidance as students register for classes.

The academic program is organized on a rotating block schedule with four 80 minute classes each day. There is an average of 13 students in each class. Most classes are year-long with 0.5 credit being granted each semester. Students can enroll in a maximum of eight classes and earn a maximum of 4.0 credits each semester.

Students must earn a total of 27 credits distributed across multiple subjects in order to earn a TAISM diploma. In Grades 9 and 10, students typically enroll in 8 out of a total possible of 8 courses, while in Grades 11 and 12, students typically enroll in 7 out of 8 courses. All students at TAISM are collegebound and graduate having completed a program of study that meets or exceeds the demands of a typical United States high school.

**Discover Oman:** Participation in TAISM's Discover Oman program is required for each student each year in Grades 9-12. Over the course of four days, students engage in unique learning experiences throughout Oman. Our students develop a better understanding and appreciation for Omani geography, culture, and people while increasing their respect for the environment and building strong relationships with classmates and trip leaders.

**Grade Point Average (GPA) and Class Rank:** A student's GPA is calculated for courses taken at TAISM in Grades 9-12. It is calculated using the scale indicated on the student's transcript. AP courses are given an additional 0.5 weighting when calculating the GPA. TAISM does not rank students based on GPA.

### Graduation Requirements

Subject	Required credits
English	4.0
Social Studies	3.5
Science	3.0
Mathematics	3.0
Visual and Performing Arts	2.0
World Language	2.0
Physical Education	1.5
Health	0.5
Computer Science	0.5
Electives (from above)	7.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27 credits</b>

### COURSES OFFERED IN 2023-2024

English 9 English 10 English 11 English 12 <b>AP English Language</b> <b>AP English Literature</b>	World History Modern Middle East Studies U.S. History in a Global Context Economics Entrepreneurship International Business Psychology <b>AP Comparative Government</b> <b>AP Human Geography</b>	Arabic Heritage Language 1 Arabic Heritage Language 2 Arabic Heritage Language 3 Arabic Heritage Language 4  Art Core 1 Art Core 2 Art Innovation <b>AP Drawing</b> <b>AP 2-D Art &amp; Design</b> <b>AP 3-D Art &amp; Design</b>	Health & Wellness Lifeguarding and Aquatics Lifetime Sports PE: Individual and Dual Pursuits Personal Fitness  <b>AP Self Study</b> Independent Study Learning Support Student Assistant
Algebra 1 Algebra 2 Algebra 2/Trigonometry Applied Math Geometry Intro to Statistics Precalculus <b>AP Calculus AB</b>	French 1 French 2 French 3 French 4 <b>AP French Language</b>	Concert Band Concert Choir Jazz Band Kindred Chamber Choir	
Biology <b>AP Biology</b> Chemistry <b>AP Chemistry</b>	Spanish 1 Spanish 2 Spanish 3 Spanish 4 <b>AP Spanish Language</b>	Drama Advanced Drama Technical Theater	
Physics <b>AP Physics 1</b> <b>AP Physics 2</b> Environmental Science Scientific Issues	Arabic Foreign Language 1 Arabic Foreign Language 2 Arabic Foreign Language 3 Arabic Foreign Language 4	Computer Science Computer Programming <b>AP Computer Science Principles</b>	

**Co-curricular and Intercultural Activities:** TAISM offers a broad program of after-school and weekend activities. Inter-scholastic athletics include swimming, soccer, volleyball, basketball, track and field, badminton, and tennis. TAISM not only competes with local schools in the Muscat area, student athletes also travel to international tournaments in Bangladesh, India, Jordan, Nepal, and Sri Lanka in the South Asia Inter-School Association (SAISA). In addition to curricular classes in the performing arts, students also take part in a number of extra-curricular performing arts activities including Drama Productions and Music Concerts. TAISM also offers a variety of other extracurricular activities including Yearbook, Community Service, Robotics, Student Government and Model United Nations (MUN).

## STANDARDIZED TESTING

### Advanced Placement (AP) Scores

Academic Year 2022-2023

(Note: AP enrollment at TAISM is nonselective)

Number of students who took AP exams = 93  
 Number of graduates who took AP exams = 33  
 Number of AP exams taken = 209  
 Average Score: 3.6  
 A score of three (3) or above  
 was earned on 84% of the exams completed

### SAT Scores

Academic Year 2022-2023

Middle 50%	Mean Score All students (53 students tested)	Mean Score U.S. citizens (14 students tested)
ERW 505 - 710	596	636
M 520 - 675	594	598
ERW - Evidence-Based Reading and Writing		M-Mathematics

## Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars Awards

Academic Year 2022-2023

AP Scholar	AP Scholar with Honors	AP Scholar with Distinction	AP International Diploma
11	10	21	3

## UNIVERSITY MATRICULATIONS (2019-2023)

<p><b>ASIA</b> Yonsei University, South Korea</p> <p><b>AUSTRALIA &amp; NEW ZEALAND</b> Monash University, Australia</p> <p><b>CANADA</b> Brock University Concordia University Dalhousie University McGill University McMaster University Queen's University St. Francis Xavier University The University of British Columbia Trent University University of Alberta University of British Columbia University of Calgary University of Lethbridge University of Toronto Vancouver Island University Waterloo University York University</p> <p><b>EUROPE</b> Eindhoven University of Technology, Netherlands Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands Franklin University, Switzerland Hotelschool The Hague, Netherlands Howest University of Applied Sciences, Belgium Maastricht University, Netherlands MJM Graphic Design - Lille, France NHL Stenden University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands Paris College of Art, France Radboud University, Netherlands Simmelweis University, Hungary Tbilisi State Medical University, Georgia The Hague University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands Trinity College Dublin, Ireland</p>	<p>University of Amsterdam, Netherlands University of Groningen, Netherlands University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy Utrecht University (University College Utrecht), Netherlands Windesheim University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands</p> <p><b>MIDDLE EAST</b> American University of Beirut, Lebanon American University of Sharjah Georgetown University in Qatar Middlesex University Dubai Modern College of Business and Science, Oman The American University in Dubai, UAE</p> <p><b>UK</b> City, University of London King's College London King's College London, University of London Queen Mary University of London Robert Gordon University Aberdeen University of Aberdeen University of Bath University of Cambridge University of East Anglia University of Edinburgh University of Kent University of Manchester University of Reading University of Southampton University of St Andrews University of St. Andrews University of Surrey University of Sussex University of York</p> <p><b>USA</b> American University Amherst College Bentley University California State University Fullerton Calvin University</p>	<p>Carnegie Mellon University Chapman University Christopher Newport University College of William and Mary Cornell University Duke University Florida International University Florida State University George Washington University Georgia Institute of Technology Hartwick College James Madison University Kent State University Loyola Marymount University Luther College Lynn University Michigan State University New York University Northeastern University Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus Piedmont Valley Community College Polk State College Pratt Institute Purdue University Rochester Institute of Technology Saint Mary's University of Minnesota San Diego State University San Jose State University Santa Clara University Suffolk University Syracuse University Texas A &amp; M University-College Station Texas A&amp;M University The Pennsylvania State University The University of Texas At Austin Thomas Jefferson University University of California, Berkeley University of California, Davis University of California, Los Angeles University of California, San Diego University of Florida University of Houston-Clear Lake University of Illinois Chicago University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign</p>	<p>University of La Verne University of Massachusetts University of Miami University of Nevada, Reno University of North Carolina at Charlotte University of Oklahoma University of Richmond University of Sioux Falls University of Southern California University of Waterloo University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire Utah State University Virginia Commonwealth University Virginia Military Institute Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Worcester State University</p> <p><b>OTHER</b> Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia Universidad EAFIT, Colombia</p>
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