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Academic School Profile 2025–2026

TISA
THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF AZERBAIJAN

Our Mission

We engage as thoughtful, generous and resilient members of our local and global communities, **taking action in Azerbaijan and beyond**

We empower one another to pursue personal and academic challenges **with courage and a growth mindset**

We inspire life-long, authentic and principled learning **to create our best future together**

IB School Code: **1303**
UCAS Code: **45160**
CEEB Code: **661000**

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WE ARE AN ACCREDITED SCHOOL

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Accreditation & Membership

CIS Council of International Schools
IB International Baccalaureate
NEASC New England Association of Schools and Colleges

CEESA Central and Eastern European Schools Ass.

TISA is registered with the **Ministry of Education and Sciences** of the Republic of Azerbaijan and has a legal license to operate.
TISA is authorised to offer 3 IB Programmes:

Primary Years Programme | Middle Years Programme | Diploma Programme

Students take part in a variety of Central & Eastern European Schools Association (CEESA) and other International events each school year. These include various sports including football, basketball, swimming, and volleyball, as well as extra- curricular activity events such as Speech & Debate and Model United Nations. Each year, TISA hosts international events.

Our School

TISA is a secular, co-educational college-preparatory day school for students aged 3 to 19 years. It serves both the expatriate community and those seeking an international education. The language of instruction is English. All Azerbaijani citizens are required to take Azerbaijani language as part of their MYP programme.

550+ Students

48 Countries

Highest Percentages:
> 28% AZERBAIJAN
> 15% UNITED STATES
> 11% UNITED KINGDOM

INTERNATIONAL 72% INTERNATIONAL

We have 33 students in Class of 2026.

Admission

Admission is determined by previous school reports, an admissions screening procedure, and the school's ability to provide a suitable program within class size limitations. Children of Azerbaijan International Operating Company (AIOC) / BP employees have priority for admissions.

Student Support

TISA offers the following sevices to students requiring additional support:

> **Learning Support**
> **English-As-An-Additional-Language (EAL)**
> **Counselling**

Our Staff

90 Faculty Members

From **21** Countries

1:6 Student-Teacher Ratio

All of TISA's highly committed faculty members are university- certified, and most hold advanced degrees. Extensive professional staff development opportunities are available during the school year and funding is provided for continuing education.

Curriculum and Grading System

Classes at TISA are aligned with the IB philosophy and requirements for the Middle Years Programme (MYP) and the Diploma Programme (DP). On transcripts, the student's year level and grades are designated using the IB formula.

Upper Secondary Grade Equivalents:

TISA and IB	USA	UK Years 10-11
Grades 9-10	Grades 9-10	(GCSEs)
G11-12 (DP1-DP2)	Grades 11-12	Years 12-13

IB Grades	1	2	3*	4	5	6	7
			lowest passing grade				

TISA does not calculate GPAs or rank students. Students earn credit by scoring a grade of 3 or above. Transcripts are generated for students in High School (Grade 9-Grade 12). TISA values student growth, and within that philosophy, the end of year grade best represents the students' overall level of mastery. The semester grade serves as a formative grade. TISA works individually with students who may have moved in during the semester, and in cases where there is not enough evidence to provide a 1-7 grade within the IB system, a grade of Pass/Fail will be issued. Transfer grades are not added onto the TISA transcripts. TISA will, however, transcript credit from Pamoja online DP courses that we offer on campus after receiving grades, including predicted grades, from Pamoja, an external provider.

Secondary School IB Course Selection 2025-2026

Middle School students (Grades 6-8) take a standard curriculum but can choose between **Russian**, **Azerbaijani**, **Spanish** and **French** as a **Second Language**. Students in Grade 9 and Grade 10 can choose between **Drama, Art**, and **Music.** The IB Diploma Course Offering Chart is accurate for the Class of 2026. Please note that the offerings may change slightly from year to year.

Group 1		
English Lang & Lit	SL	HL
English Literature	SL	HL
Russian Lang & Lit	SL	HL
Self-Taught A Lit	SL	

Group 2		
French B	SL	HL
Spanish B	SL	HL
Spanish Ab Init.	SL	
Russian B	SL	HL
English B	SL	HL

Group 3		
History	SL	HL
Geography	SL	HL
Psychology	SL	HL
Economics	SL	HL

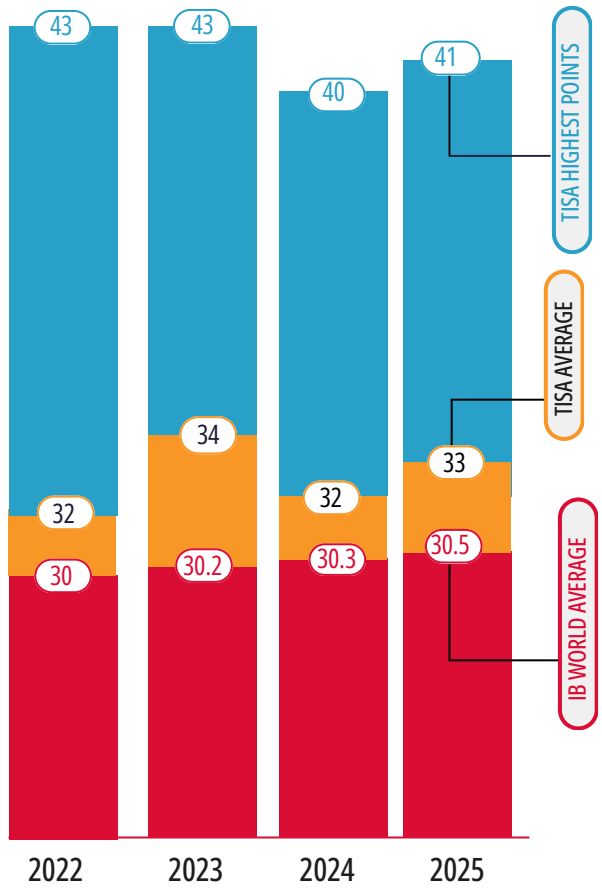
Group 4		
Physics	SL	HL
ESS	SL	HL
Biology	SL	HL
Chemistry	SL	HL

Group 5		
Mathematics Apps	SL	
Mathematics Analysis	SL	HL

Group 6		
Theatre Arts	SL	HL
Visual Arts	SL	HL

Completion Required:	
Community Service & Personal Project	G10
Creativity, Action & Service	G11-12
Extended Essay OR Research Project	G11-12

Final IB Grades



Graduation Requirements

TISA offers three different graduation routes; the IB Diploma, the TISA High School Diploma and the TISA Honors Diploma. The TISA High School Diploma can be earned in conjunction with the IB Diploma or as a stand alone qualification and requires 24 credits, including a year of TOK, CAS and an Extended project. The TISA Honours Diploma has more rigorous requirements than the TISA High School Diploma and is available for students opting not to take the full IB Diploma. The TISA Honours Diploma requires some IB Diploma coursework or university level equivalent courses, such as Advanced Placement.

First Language	4	Electives	2.5
Second Language	3	Arts	1.5
Science	3	Design Technology	1.5
Mathematics	3	Physical & Health Ed.	1.5
Humanities	3	Theory of Knowledge	1

TOTAL 24 CREDITS

TISA Predicted Grades for University Application

In alignment with IB practices, teachers review student evidence, collaborate with other teachers within their department, and use their experienced judgment to provide IB Diploma predicted grades. Historical review has validated that TISA's predicted grades have a high degree of accuracy.

TISA University Acceptances 2023-2025

BOLD - TISA graduates matriculated

Canada

Carleton University
Huron University
McGill University
Toronto Metropolitan University
University of British Columbia
University of Toronto
Vancouver Island University
Western University

Australia

Monash University
University of Sydney

Azerbaijan

ADA University

Middle East

American University in Cairo
NYU Abu Dhabi

Asia

Ateneo University
University of Nottingham Malaysia

Asia (India)

Anna University
SRM

Great Britain

Anglia Ruskin University
Birkbeck, University of London
City, University of London
Durham University
Edinburgh Napier University
Heriot-Watt University
King's College London
Kingston University
Leeds Beckett University
Liverpool John Moores University
London Metropolitan University
London School of Economics (LSE)
Loughborough University
Manchester Metropolitan University
Newcastle University
Northumbria University
Nottingham Trent University
Oxford Brookes University
Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh
Queen Mary University of London
Regent's University London
Richmond University London
Robert Gordon University
Royal Holloway
St Andrews
University of Bath
University of Bolton
University of Bristol
University of Dundee
University of Edinburgh
University of Exeter
University of Glasgow
University of Hull
University of Leeds
University of Leicester
University of Lincoln
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Plymouth
University of Reading
University of Sheffield
University of Southampton
University of Stirling
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University College London (UCL)
University of Warwick
University of Westminster

United States

Adelphi University
Arizona State University
Binghamton University (SUNY)
Boston Architectural College
Boston University
Bowling Green State University
Brigham Young University – Hawaii
Brigham Young University – Utah
Brown University
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
Colgate University
College of William & Mary
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University, Fort Collins
Columbia University
Cornell University
Drew University
Evergreen State College
Florida International University
Fordham University
George Mason University
Haverford College
Hult International Business School
Illinois Institute of Technology
Iowa State University
Lewis & Clark College
Lynn University
Massachusetts College of Art and Design
New York University (NYU)
Northwestern University
Ohio State University
Pace University
Penn State University
Purdue University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rollins College
Rutgers University
St. Olaf College
Suffolk University
Texas A&M University
University at Buffalo (SUNY)
University of California, Merced
University of California, Riverside
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Colorado, Colorado Springs
University of Denver
University of Houston
University of Illinois Urbana–Champaign
University of Iowa
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of Miami
University of Minnesota Duluth
University of Minnesota Twin Cities
University of Montana
University of North Dakota
University of Notre Dame
University of Rochester
University of St. Thomas (Minnesota)
University of Utah
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin–Madison
University of Wyoming
Utah State University

Europe

American University of Paris
Brassart
CAD – College of Art & Design
Constructor University
EADA
EDHEC Business School
Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Paris – Belleville
ESADE University
ESCP Business School
EU Business School
Florence Design Institute
Franklin University
IE University
John Cabot University
Liden University College
Linnaeus University
LUISS University (Business School)
Maastricht University
Marbella Design Academy
NABA
Sigmund Freud Privatuniversität Berlin
Toulouse Business School (TBS)
University Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
University College Cork
University College Utrecht
University of Amsterdam
University of Groningen
University of Pécs
University of Twente
University of Utrecht
VU University Amsterdam