# QSI International School of Dili 2020-2021 SCHOOL PROFILE

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QSI International School of Dili 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 in 29 countries, with headquarters in Mosta, Malta.

QSI Dili embraces the mastery learning educational philosophy, leading to appropriately challenging instruction within a positive and enjoyable learning environment.

# **History & Academics**

- Founded in 2005
- Fully accredited through Middle States Association (MSA)
- American college preparatory curriculum
- Private, nonprofit international school
- Language of instruction: English
- AP courses offered onsite; online AP courses offered as needed



## **Enrollment**

- 95 students Preschool through Secondary IV (Pre-K through 12)
- Students represent 30 nationalities
- Class of 2021: 3 students: 2 Timorese and 1 Rwandan

# **Faculty**

- 13 full-time teachers and 2 part-time teachers
- 50% of faculty members hold post-graduate degrees

## **GPA and Rank in Class**

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











# **Advanced Placement Program**

QSI Dili offers 2-4 onsite AP classes and online AP courses as needed. We do not have a set limit on the number of AP classes that students can take.

## **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), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (40), Electives (10).* 

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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 (30), 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
Information
Technology

## **Mathematics:**

Algebra I & II
Advanced Math
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
AP Economics
AP Psychology

# **Personal Health:**

Wellness
Team Sports
Lifetime Sports
In-Depth Sports
Advanced Fitness

## <u>Languages:</u>

French Portuguese Tetum

# **Fine Arts:**

Art Drama Instrumental Band

# **Extracurricular:**

Roots & Shoots
Yearbook
After School Sports
Choir
Architecture and
Design
Painting