

# **OUR VISION**

Inspiring great minds through the provision of a world-class education that nurtures personal excellence and develops young people who are able to contribute positively to an ever-changing world.

## **OUR MISSION**

To achieve the International Baccalaureate aims of developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. Through the IB, we develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment. These programmes encourage our students to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

# **OUR VALUES**

We value the ten aspirational qualities of the International Baccalaureate (IB) Learner Profile, which go beyond academic success to instil a sense of personal excellence, striving to improve in every aspect of our lives. The aim is not perfection but instead to achieve our potential; and flourishing as defined in positive psychology.

# **ADMINISTRATION**

Kathryn Kayrooz Principal

Kerry Bullock Associate Principal, Teaching and Learning

Katrina Judge Guidance Officer, Careers

<b>KEY DATES</b>	Semester 1	Semester 2
	22 Jan	8 July
	21 June	- 13 Dec
	Graduation	Results
	11 Nov 2024	17 Dec 2024

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# 2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

# SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Founded in 2007

State, coeducational day school

Academic selective entry

### International Baccalaureate Middle Years and Diploma Programmes Curriculum



students

accepted to

university

1356 Total Enrolment



Cultures Represented

Ranked as a high performing Australian school

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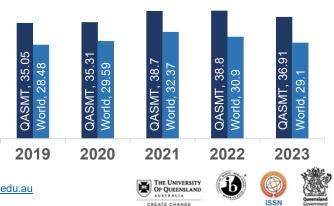
Consistently 5-6 IB points above world average

### **IB DIPLOMA SCORES 2023**



- 2.3% scored IB45
- 17% scored IB42+
- 32% scored IB40+
- 91% scored IB30+

### MEAN DIPLOMA SCORES





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Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology has a reputation for outstanding academic success. The Academy has been Queensland's top performing school in consecutive recent years (Better Education Ranking). Our graduates consistently exceed IB world average Diploma scores, placing our students amongst the top in the world.

### SCHOOL COMMUNITY

- Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology (QASMT) is located in the metropolitan district of Brisbane, Australia and is a Queensland state school for highly capable students in Years 7 to 12.
- QASMT inspires high achieving students through exclusively offering the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (IB MYP) and Diploma Programme (IB DP).
- Our staff employ a collaborative, co-teaching approach with a respectful relationship between teachers and students based on intellectual challenge and interdependent inquiry. Core teaching language is English.
- QASMT embraces the value of collaboration in learning through local, national and global partnerships including The University of Queensland (UQ), Positive Education Schools Association (PESA), the International Science School Network (ISSN), and the International Association for College Admission Counseling (IACAC).
- Our Academy aims to extend students' learning by blurring the line between school and university. The program is rigorous and was developed in partnership with The University of Queensland ensuring our students experience a smooth transition into tertiary education.

### FACILITIES

 World class facilities including new STEM and Language Precincts, innovative learning spaces, architecturally designed Research Centre, university standard science laboratories, robotics and digital laboratories, 3D printing centre, makerspace facility, observatory, extensive music and sport facilities, wireless learning spaces and virtual classrooms.

### STUDYING WITH LIKE-MINDED STUDENTS

### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- A rich Co-curricular Program offering 55 activities including a wide range of activities such as: debating, robotics, astronomy, Duke of Edinburgh awards, theatre, music, arts, crafts, gardening, computing, clubs, games, sport, leadership, environmental and community service activities.
- An outstanding pastoral care and mentoring program with a focus on student welfare, health and wellbeing; ensuring all students reach their full potential.
- A unique partnership with The University of Queensland and other leading universities to provide enrichment opportunities which complement the IB curriculum.
- An enriching study tours program exploring history, culture, language, environment, health and exercise, linked with CAS, an integral part of the IB program. Experiences have included Europe, Japan, USA, and Australia (Perisher Ski Resort, the Snowy Mountains, Canberra, Adelaide).
- A bespoke STEM Futures program written in collaboration with university and industry, with a vision to deliver a future-focussed STEM curriculum that engages passionate, innovative learners capable of creating positive and sustainable change in the world.

### Our Queensland Academy Pillars

- Nurturing the Development of High Achieving Students
- Selective Entry
- Unique Partnerships
- Innovative Delivery of a World Class Curriculum
- High Performing Staff

By challenging current approaches to teaching and learning, Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology (QASMT) enables students to learn from and with each other. The International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum provides an environment in which students are not competing for a finite number of top scores.

### PREPARATION FOR UNIVERSITY

The rigour of the IB curriculum with subjects such as an introduction to the Theory of Knowledge (TOK) and the Extended Essay (EE) (a research topic of the student's choosing), coupled with the style of education enables students to adjust more readily to university conditions.

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# ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND STUDENT CONDUCT

QASMT expects students to strive for excellence in all areas of life. They are expected to behave in an exemplary manner and to show respect and courtesy towards one another and members of the community. Honesty, personal integrity, and trust are paramount for students to succeed. This includes an expectation that students conduct themselves with academic honesty, in adherence with our Academic Integrity Policy.

### **CURRICULUM AND ACCREDITATION**

The year 7-12 curriculum framework at QASMT has been specifically developed to provide a STEM focussed curriculum, through the International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Program (MYP) and Diploma Programme (DP).

- Year 7-8 Foundation Program
- Year 9-10 STEM Futures Program
- Year 11-12 Diploma Programme
- QASMT offers the following qualification opportunities:
- IB MYP and DP accredited
- QCAA Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)
- Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualifications: Certificate II Sampling and Measurement; Certificate III Laboratory Skills
- University subjects

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Students must study six subjects: three at Standard Level (150 hours per subject), three at Higher Level (240 hours per subject). For award of the IB Diploma, students require:

- A minimum of 24 total points
- A minimum of 12 points across HL subjects
- A minimum of 9 points across SL subjects
- All CAS, EE and TOK requirements met

#### GRADING

- Achievement in each group subject is graded from a 7 (highest) to a 1 (lowest).
- HL / SL subjects contribute equally to the overall Diploma score (i.e. no scaling).
- Inner Core subjects, Theory of Knowledge and Extended Essay are graded from A to E.
- CAS is graded as satisfactory or unsatisfactory.
- A maximum score of 45 can be achieved in a Diploma.

6 subjects x grading of up to 7 TOK + Extended Essay points

= 42 points = 3 points = 45 points total

- GPA is calculated from the six group subjects
- Ranks are not allocated

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# Diploma Subjects Offered

English A Language and Literature SL/HL

Language A Literature SL French Ab Initio SL French B SL/HL German B SL/HL Japanese Ab Initio SL Japanese B SL/HL Latin B SL/HL

Business Management HL Digital Society HL Environmental Systems and Societies SL Economics HL Psychology HL

Biology SL/HL Chemistry SL/HL Computer Science HL Physics SL/HL Sports, Exercise and Health Science HL

Mathematics Analysis and Approaches SL/HL Mathematical Applications and Interpretations SL/HL

Visual Art HL

**Mandatory IB Components** 

Theory of Knowledge (TOK) Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) Extended Essay (EE)









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### **UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER OFFERS**

Our graduates from 2023 were offered admission to leading institutions including:

## AUSTRALIA

### QUEENSLAND

CQ University Griffith College Griffith University Queensland University of Technology University of Queensland Monash University RMIT Swinburne University of Technology The University of Melbourne

### ASIA

EUROPE Clausthal University of Technology

## UNITED KINGDOM

Imperial College London King's College London, University of London University College London (UCL) University of Oxford

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Buffalo State College Penn State Purdue University Rice University\ SUNY Texas A & M The University of Maryland The University of Virginia University of Connecticut University of Florida University of Minnesota: Twin Cities

Australian National University Macquarie University University of Canberra University of Notre Dame University of Sydney University of Technology Sydney UNSW Western Sydney University

**NEW SOUTH WALES AND ACT** 

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Flinders University The University of Adelaide University of South Australia

**TASMANIA** University of Tasmania

VICTORIA Deakin University





