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### **Institutional Memberships**

- Accreditation Candidate School for CIS and WASC
- Authorized AP course provider and examination center
- Member of British Council's Partner Schools Global Network and authorized to administer IELTS examinations
- Member of the Council of International Schools (CIS)
- International Association for Intercultural Education (IAIE)
- Association for the Advancement of International Education (AAIE)
- Educational Collaborative for International Schools (ECIS)



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## INTRODUCTION

Established in 2019 with an educational philosophy rooted in experimentation and student-centered learning, VIS is a G5-12 selective admission English-immersion day school that fosters global citizens. Our teaching philosophy prioritizes project-based learning. We engage students with real-life problem solving through team-taught interdisciplinary courses. VIS equips students with the knowledge, skills, and practices to address and solve the challenges of a globalized society. Over their time at VIS, students learn to identify, analyze, and take concrete actions to improve themselves, their communities, and the world.

# **SCHOOL BY THE NUMBERS**

Senior High Students	Class of 2026	Nationalities	
175	42	13	
Average Class Size	Students : Faculty	AP Courses Offered	
15	4:1	16	

# **ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

We align our core curriculum and Interdisciplinary Project-Based Learning (IPBL) curriculum with the standards of the Ontario Secondary curriculum. Students who graduate from VIS receive the Senior High School Diploma in Experimental Education from the Taipei City Government, Department of Education.

# **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Grade 9-12 students have a general requirement to complete **54 credits**. Credits are awarded by semester (ie, a year-long course is 2 credits). These credits include required courses, selections from mandatory academic areas, and open-choice electives.

Required credits for Senior High Grade 12 graduation are listed in the table to the right.

Subject Area	Credits
Interdisciplinary PBL	20
English Language Arts	8
Mathematics	8
Natural Sciences	3
Social Sciences	4
Art & Design	1
Physical Education	8
Modern Language	2

## INTERDISCIPLINARY PROJECT BASED LEARNING PROGRAM

VIS students in the core program engage in Interdisciplinary Project Based Learning in the classroom for 10 hours each week. Each year, teachers—who are experts in their fields—collaborate to design unique projects revolving around themes centered on social change and the **UN Sustainable Development Goals**. They guide students to respond to authentic and complex challenges to serve local and global communities. Students collaborate with **community partners**, including local NGOs, schools, and businesses to create real-world impact. Students present their work to the community in a **final student exhibition** to showcase their learning journey.

In grade 12, students propose, develop, and complete a **Capstone Project.** The Capstone Project requires deep inquiry into a local manifestation of a global challenge of the student's choice. To complete their Capstone Project, the student designs, builds, and implements a locally-focused solution.

The **PBL+ program**, which is designed for students seeking an additional challenge, allows students to propose independent projects Students take on additional ownership over their learning by finding a VIS teacher as a project mentor, adding a curricular strand, and connecting their current project with their educational journey. Students are also required to seek outside specialists/community partners to gain a practical understanding of their subject and gain real-world experience.

Special Note: Due to the larger weight in the timetable, PBL courses are 2.5 credits per semester







**Percent of tests** 

scoring 3 or above

# **ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS**

# **Cooperative Education**

The Cooperative Education program at VIS offers G11 and G12 students a flexible option for hands-on learning through internships, laboratory work, and off-campus project-based learning. Students engage in supervised work or research placements with university, NGO, government, or industry partners. The program emphasizes personalized learning goals, reflective practice, and communication. Each semester, 5-8 students successfully apply for Cooperative Education.

### **Advanced Placement**

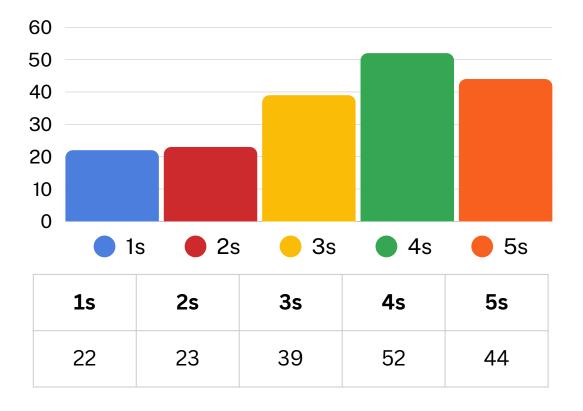
VIS offers optional afterschool **Advanced Placement** for students who intend to study in the United States, or who want further studies in a particular content area. VIS also gives students the flexibility to independently study AP courses through UC Scout and other accredited programs.

AP tests taken

75%

180

### **Distribution of AP Scores**



# ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS CONTD.

## **Honors Program**

The Honors Program Problem-Based Learning challenges students through **individual research supervised by professors**. Students give weekly presentations of their work in progress, with deliverables including **research papers**. This year, ten G12 students are in the Honors Program. For more information about the honors program, please consult Dr. Allen Li.

## **International Partnerships**

Upon completion of G11, students have the option of completing G12 at our Canadian partner school, Columbia International College (CIC), or at VIS. Students who complete G12 at CIC receive the Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

### **Clubs and Extracurriculars**

After School Study Club

AI and Teach for Good Club

**Art & Brand Club** 

**Art Club** 

**Badminton Club** 

**Bakery Science Club** 

**Business/MEC Club** 

Chess club

Craft & Spark Studio Club

**Darts Club** 

Discover Taipei Club

DJ & Music Production Club

**Draughts Club** 

Geoguessr Club

Global Resolution Forum

Innovation and Entrepreneurship for Good Club

Marketing and Management Club

**MUN Club** 

Puzzle Club

Research Club

Robotics Club

**Running Club** 

**SCOPE Newsletter Club** 

Self-defense Club

Together We Draw@VIS

The Style Lab

VIS Basketball Team

VIS Investment Club

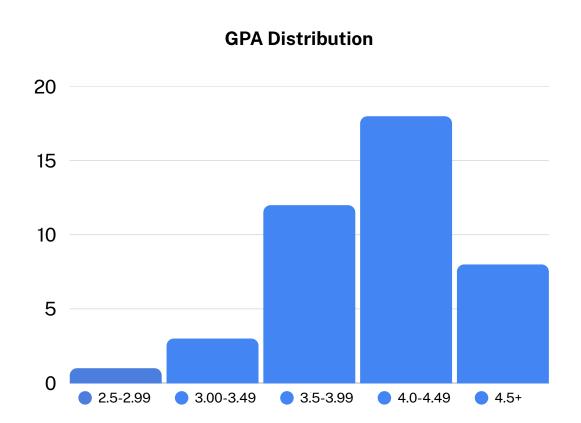
VIS Library

VIS Yearbook Club

When the East meets the West

## **CLASS OF 2026**

The Class of 2026 is the 6th cohort of VIS graduates. At 42 students, it is the largest cohort of seniors to date, with more than double from the Class of 2025. Students in the Class of 2026 hail from Taiwan, the US, Japan, Canada and South Korea.



GPA	# of students
4.5+	8
4.0-4.49	18
3.5-3.99	12
3.00-3.49	3
2.5-2.99	1

Grade Scale						
Letter Grade	Percentage Grade	Standard	Honors	АР		
А	85~100	4	4.5	5		
AB	80~84	3.5	4	4.5		
В	75~79	3	3.5	4		
ВС	70~74	2.5	3	3.5		
С	60~69	2	2.5	3		
D	50~59	1	1.5	2		
F	Below 50	0	0	0		

# VIS ACCEPTANCE LIST (CLASSES OF 2023-2025)

### **AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND**

Monash University
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
University of Auckland
University of New South Wales
University of Sydney
University Technology Sydney
Western Sydney University

### **CANADA**

Sheridan College
University of Toronto

### EU

GOBELINS Paris
University of Applied Sciences Stenden
University of Applied Sciences Utrecht

### **JAPAN**

International Christian University
Kyoto University of Applied Sciences
Ritsumeikan University
Temple University Japan
Waseda University

### **TAIWAN**

Chinese Culture University
Ming Chuan University Taoyuan Campus
National Cheng Kung University
National Sun Yat Sen University

### UK

Durham University
Imperial College London
Kings College London
Loughborough University

Newcastle University
Northeastern University (London Campus)
Oxford Brooks University
University College London
University of Bristol
University of Edinburgh
University of Glasgow
University of Leeds
University of Manchester

### US

Adelphi University Albany College of Pharmacy and Health **Sciences** Arizona State, Barrett Honors College Arizona State University Art Center College of Design **Binghamton University Boston University** California College of the Arts California Institute of the Arts Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University Fordham University Indiana University Loyola Marymount University Massachusetts College of Art and Design Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and **Health Sciences** Michigan State University New York University North Carolina State University Northeastern University Northeastern University, Oakland Campus Ohio State University Orange Coast College

Otis College of Art and Design

Pace University

Pennsylvania State University, Altoona Pennsylvania State University, Harrisburg Pennsylvania State University, University Park **Pratt Institute Purdue University** Reed College Rochester Institute of Technology Rutgers University, New Brunswick Rutgers University, Newark Rutgers University, Camden School of the Art Institute of Chicago Stony Brook University SUNY University at Buffalo Temple University The New School University of California, Davis University of California, Los Angeles University of California, Merced University of California, Riverside University of California, San Diego University of California, Santa Barbara University of California, Santa Cruz University of Connecticut University of Illinois at Chicago University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign University of Iowa University of Michigan at Ann Arbor University of Minnesota Twin Cities University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill University of Southern California University of Washington University of Wisconsin, Madison University of Wisconsin, Madison (Honors program) Washington State University

Williams College

