

LIS Mission

A diverse community of learners, committed to fostering compassionate, confident and socially responsible individuals who thrive in the world.

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Accreditations

New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)

Council of International Schools (CIS)

International Baccalaureate (IB)

School & Community

Luanda International School (LIS) was founded in 1996 with funding from six oil companies as an international, non-profit, independent, English language school serving the expatriate community in Luanda, Angola. Enrollment from Pre K to Year 13 (grade 12) is approximately 650 students. The LIS Class of 2018 is comprised of 16 students.

Students

The overall student body at LIS includes citizens of over 55 countries. There are 126 students in the high school (Years 10-13) from 30 nations, with the largest numbers from Angola (33%), United States (14%), Portugal (6%) South Africa (6%), Brazil (4%) and Venezuela (4%). Additional nationalities within the high school community include: Argentina, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Colombia, Germany, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Korea, Lebanon, Madagascar, Namibia, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Slovakia, Sweden, United Kingdom, Vietnam, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

Faculty

LIS is fortunate to hire and retain experienced and committed international faculty from across the globe. Some teachers serve as IB and MYP workshop leaders, examiners, or are members of school accreditation teams. There are 39 teachers in the high school, 21 of whom hold a graduate degree. Nationalities represented by the LIS high school faculty are: Australia, Canada, France, Ireland, Mexico, New Zealand, Portugal, Singapore, South Africa, United Kingdom, and the United States.

Calendar

The school year is divided into two semesters beginning mid-August and mid-January respectively.

Curriculum & Grading Scale

LIS offers the Primary Years, Middle Years, and the option to pursue the Diploma Programme of the International Baccalaureate. All graduates successfully complete Creativity, activity, service (CAS) and Theory of Knowledge (TOK) to fulfill LIS graduation requirements. LIS reports academic achievement on a 1 – 7 scale, with 7 being the highest level. Students receive two formal written reports a year - the first in December and the second in mid-June.

Policy on Class Rank and GPA

Due to small class size and the academic, linguistic, and educational diversity of our transient and international student body, LIS does not rank students nor calculate GPA.

Co-Curricular & Outdoor Education Program

LIS students participate in and/or lead a wide variety of athletic, cultural, creative, and service-oriented activities after school. These include: Model United Nations, Student Council, Global Issues Network, Diversity Club, Dance (Ballet, Contemporary and Hip Hop), and Band. There are varsity and junior varsity teams for basketball, soccer, swimming, and volleyball. During the second semester, all students in Years 10 and 11 (grades 9 and 10) participate in week-long outdoor education and cultural trips to South Africa.

IB Results - Class of 2017

Luanda International School has an inclusive, open enrollment policy with regard to the IB Diploma Programme. The LIS Class of 2017 included 15 IB Diploma candidates - all of whom were successful passing the requirements to earn the IB Diploma and 9 of these students earned Bilingual Diplomas. The average Diploma score for the 2017 graduates was 32 points - compared to the world average of 30 - with one student earning 42 points.

University Admissions - Classes 2016 & 2017

IB Subjects Offered:

Group 1

English Language & Literature HL/SL
Portuguese Language & Literature
HL/SL
Self-taught Literature SL

Group 2

Portuguese B HL/SL
Spanish B HL/SL
English B HL
Spanish Ab Initio SL

Group 3

Economics HL/SL
History HL/SL
Geography HL/SL
Environmental Systems & Societies
SL

Group 4

Biology HL/SL
Chemistry HL/SL
Physics HL/SL
Environmental Systems & Societies
SL

Group 5

Mathematics HL/SL
Mathematical Studies SL

Group 6

Theatre HL/SL
Music HL/SL
Visual Arts HL/SL

CANADA

Carleton University
Douglas College
Ryerson University
University of Calgary

UNITED KINGDOM

Aston University
Birmingham City University
Buckinghamshire New University
Coventry University
De Montfort University
Heriot-Watt University
Imperial College London
Kingston University
Leeds Beckett University
Leeds College of the Arts
Manchester Metropolitan
Newcastle University
Northumbria University Newcastle
Nottingham Trent International College
Nottingham Trent University
Oxford Brookes University
Queen Margaret University
Royal Holloway, University of London
St. George's, University of London
Southampton Solent University
University College Birmingham
University College London
University for the Creative Arts
University of Aberdeen
University of Abertay
University of Bath
University of Birmingham
University of Brighton
University of Bristol
University of Central Lancashire
University of Chester
University of Dundee
University of Edinburgh
University of Leeds
University of Manchester
University of Northampton
University of Salford
University of St Andrews
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of the West of England, Bristol
University of Westminster
Western University of England

SOUTH AFRICA

North-West University
Stellenbosch University
University of Cape Town
University of Pretoria

USA

Blinn College
Boston University
Case Western Reserve University
Drew University
Drexel University
Georgia State University
Long Island University
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Northeastern University
Oxford College of Emory University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Rollins College
Stetson University
Suffolk University
SUNY Buffalo
Texas A&M
University of California Davis
University of California Irvine
University of California San Diego
University of Delaware
University of Houston
University of Illinois Urbana Champaign
University of Massachusetts
University of Michigan
University of Rochester
University of San Diego
University of South Florida
University of Tampa
University of Texas Austin
University of Texas Dallas
University of Vermont

Additional Locations

American University in Dubai
Istituto Marangoni, Italy
Lucerne University, Switzerland
Middlesex University Dubai
University of Lisbon

Bold indicates one or more LIS student matriculating