

# The American International School of Bolivia

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## School Profile 2016–2017

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### AISB Vision

The American International School of Bolivia envisions our students developing personal and academic excellence via perseverance and hard work, respect, empathy, responsibility, and self-confidence within a culturally diverse educational setting.

### AISB Mission

The AISB community works tirelessly to develop caring, creative young people who can achieve their highest potential through perseverance and self-confidence. By creating a nurturing learning environment imbued with multicultural understanding and respect, students are prepared to contribute to making the world a better place.

### AISB Motto

VISION PRINCIPLES TRANSFORMATION

### School Governance, Administration and Faculty

AISB is a non-profit school association governed by a 5-member Board of Directors. Administrative duties are managed by a General Director, a Primary School Director, a Secondary School Director, a Curricular and Pedagogical Director, and an Administrative and Financial Director. For the 2016-17 academic year there are 55 faculty members, which allows the school enjoy a student-teacher ratio of 13:1, including 9 USA nationals, 9 third-country nationals (Chile, China, Italy, Netherlands, Peru, Romania, Switzerland, and Ukraine) and 37 host-country nationals. All faculty members hold degrees in their areas.

### Accreditation/Affiliations

AISB is fully accredited by AdvancED SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) and the Bolivian Ministry of Education (Bolivian Resolution #108). AISB is an IB World School and has been authorized to offer the IB Diploma Program since 1993. AISB holds membership in the College Board and the Association of American Schools in South America (AASSA).

### Our School

The American International School of Bolivia (AISB) was founded in Cochabamba in 1993 as an international, private, non-profit, non-governmental, co-educational, Pre K 3-12, day school. Today, AISB serves a total population of 694 (October 2016) students from more than 22 countries.

The School offers a comprehensive college preparatory academic program that spans from early childhood education up to grade 12. Students who graduate from AISB can receive up to three Diplomas, the U.S. High School Diploma, the Bolivian High School Diploma, and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma. The IB Diploma represents AISB's most demanding curriculum offering and helps our students prepare for the rigors of Universities around the world.

The School's facilities include main administrative and high school building, a Primary building, a Biology Lab, a Chemistry Lab, a Physics Lab, two computer labs, an extensive media-resource library, a cafeteria and several sporting facilities which include a volleyball court, several soccer fields, and a swimming pool.

### Course Credits

High School students take an average of 12 courses per school year, in order to fulfill the U.S. and Bolivian Diploma requirements. AISB requires a minimum of 30 units of credit for the U.S. High School Diploma.

U.S. HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA			
SUBJECT	CREDITS	SUBJECT	CREDITS
ENGLISH	4.0	PHYSICAL EDUCATION	2.0
MATHEMATICS	4.0	FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS (Music and Art)	4.0
FOREIGN LANGUAGE (French, Mandarin, Spanish)	4.0	EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	2.0
SOCIAL STUDIES	4.0	ADDITIONAL COURSES	2.0
SCIENCE	4.0		

The academic curriculum at AISB meets the United States, Bolivian and IB Diploma Program specifications. Our official language of instruction is English.

### Student Services

- English and Spanish as a Second Language
- Library
- College Counseling
- School Psychologist and Counselors
- Academic Support



## The Secondary School Program

### Includes:

- English Language Arts
- Spanish Language Arts
- Quechua Language Arts
- French or Chinese as a fourth language
- History/Humanities
- Mathematics
- Sciences (Biology, Chemistry and Physics)
- Philosophy & Psychology
- Theory of Knowledge
- Ethics
- Fine Arts
- Drama/Theater Studies
- Music
- Physical Education
- Computers
- Information Technology

### Extracurricular Activities

Soccer	Yearbook
Volleyball	Dance Club
Basketball	Chinese Mandarin Club
Athletics	French Club
Music Club	Drama Club
Student Council	Art Club
Community Service Outreach Programs	Computer Club
National Junior Honor Society	National Honor Society

### Class of 2016:

GPA averages of 33 graduates in class of 2016.

- 12 earned 3.5–3.99
- 20 earned 3.0–3.49
- 1 earned 2.50–2.99
- 0 earned 2.0–2.49
- 0 earned less than a 1.99

## International Baccalaureate Diploma Program

### Course offerings:

- Language A (Group 1): IB English A HL or IB Spanish A HL
- Language B (Group 2): IB English B HL or IB Spanish B HL
- Social Sciences (Group 3): IB History HL/SL, IB Environmental Systems and Societies SL and IB Business and Management HL
- Experimental Sciences (Group 4): IB Physics SL, IB Biology HL, and IB Biology SL
- IB Mathematics (Group 5): IB Mathematics SL or IB Mathematical Studies SL
- Arts and Electives (Group 6) IB Visual Arts SL/HL or IB French B HL or IB Mandarin Ab Initio SL
- IB Theory of Knowledge
- IB Extended Essay
- CAS

### Grades, Weighting and Ranking Policy

Grades are calculated on a 100 point scale. AISB does not weigh GPA. Students are ranked according to their cumulative GPA.

LETTER GRADES	NUMBER GRADES	GRADE POINT AVERAGE
A+	95 – 100	3.78 – 4.00
A	90 – 94	3.58 – 3.77
B+	85 – 89	3.38 – 3.57
B	80 – 84	3.18 – 3.37
C+	75 – 79	2.98 – 3.17
C	70 – 74	2.78 – 2.97
D+	65 – 70	2.58 – 2.77
D	60 – 64	2.38 – 2.57
F	< 60	0.00 – 2.37

### IB Diploma Program Results in 2016:

- 89% of our IB Diploma Candidates were awarded with IB Bilingual Diplomas.
- 93% of our IB Certificate Candidates successfully passed their IB Certificates.
- AISB IB Diploma Highest Score was 37/45.
- 8 out the 8 IB Diplomas awarded were IB Bilingual Diplomas.

### University Acceptance:

100% (33) of the class of 2016 attended 4 year colleges and/or universities. AISB's Class of 2016 has gained admission to the following universities:

#### UNITED STATES

Hofstra University
Albright College
Athens Technical College
Austin Community College
Barton College
Bentley College
Broward College
Caldwell College
Concordia University
Drexel University
Florida Institute of Technology
Hofstra University
Michigan Technological University
Pratt Institute
Purdue University
Saint Leo University
SCAD
Seton Hall University
Suffolk University
The Art Institute of California
University of Arkansas
University of Massachusetts Amherst

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT IRVINE

University of California at Irvine
University of California Riverside
University of Miami
University Southern Mississippi
Virginia Tech

#### BOLIVIA

Universidad Católica Boliviana
Universidad Privada Boliviana
Universidad del Valle

#### CHILE

Universidad Andrés Bello
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#### CHINA

Peita Peking University
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#### FRANCE

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#### ITALY

Polytechnic University of Turin
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#### MEXICO

Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara
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#### PERU

Cordon Bleu
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