



Center of International Studies Guangzhou Tianxing Experimental School School Profile 2025–2026

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Contact Information

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College Visit Availability (2025–2026):

Fall: Mid-September – late December

Spring: Early March – late May

Please get in touch with the college
counseling team to schedule the visits.

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About Us

Guangzhou Tianxing Experimental School (GTES) is widely regarded as one of the most prestigious private schools in Guangzhou, Guangdong, China. Founded in 2005, the school is known for its commitment to cultivating students with an international vision, academic rigor, and strong moral integrity. GTES consists of three divisions: the middle school department, the high school department, and the Center of International Studies.

Founded in 2019, the Center of International Studies at GTES, known as ELITE Academy, was certified by the Education Department of Guangdong Province as a Chinese-Foreign Cooperation in Running Schools in 2022. It provides an academically rigorous and globally focused education for students through Grades 10 to 12. The program is staffed with around 30 professionals, and 80 % of the staff hold Master's degrees. The faculty-student ratio is 1:6.

Curriculum

ELITE Academy offers both the American curriculum and A-Level curriculum, allowing students to pursue academic pathways aligned with their university goals. Students in Grade 10 complete foundation-level and honors-level courses to build strong academic readiness for overseas higher education. AP courses are generally offered in Grades 11 and 12, but a few outstanding Grade 10 students who pass two internal AP placement tests may start taking AP courses in their Grade 10 year.

All courses are delivered by professionally-credentialed teachers, with emphasis on academic rigor, intellectual growth, and full preparation for higher education overseas.

School Calendar

ELITE Academy operates on a two-semester system, offering approximately 40 weeks of instruction each academic year, from early September to late June.

Graduation Requirements

To graduate, students must complete six major courses including three years of English, Mathematics, Chinese, and Physical Education, plus students must have two years of at least one course from Social Sciences and Sciences. Students are also required to earn a minimum of 22 credits to meet the graduation requirements.

On-Campus Extra-Curricular Activities

Students at ELITE Academy participate in a wide range of extracurricular activities that promote their leadership, creativity, communication, and collaboration. Activities mainly include Student Leadership Committee, Psychology Club, Hermes Technology Club, Photography Club, Basketball Club, Soccer Club, Badminton Club, Business Creation Association, Rocket Raccoon Society, Track and Field Club, Drama Club, and Youth Volunteer Association etc.

All clubs are student-initiated and faculty-supervised, providing opportunities for students to explore their academic interests, develop their community engagement, and enhance their teamwork spirits and communication skills.





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Course Offerings

A-Level Courses:

A-Level Mathematics
A-Level Further Mathematics
A-Level Physics
A-Level Chemistry
A-Level Economics
A-Level Chinese
A-Level Extended Project Qualification

AP Courses:

AP Macroeconomics*
AP Microeconomics
AP Psychology
AP Human Geography
AP Physics 1
AP Physics C Mechanics*
AP Physics C Electricity and Magnetism*
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Environmental Science
AP Computer Science A
AP Computer Science Principles*
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Precalculus
AP Statistics
AP 2-D Art and Design

Honors Courses

Global Studies*
English Literature and Drama*
Project, Research and Application*
Further Math*
English 4
Additional Honors courses*

Normal Courses

Mathematics
English 1, English 2, English 3
Economics
Physics
Chemistry
Biology
English Drama
Global Studies 1
Integrated Enrichment Study*
Chinese
PE

Explanation of Course Offerings

• Prerequisite for courses with *

- 1) AP Macroeconomics*: Requires a score of 4 or above in AP Microeconomics.
- 2) AP Physics C: Mechanics*: Requires a score of 4 or above in AP Calculus.
- 3) AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism*: Requires a score of 4 or above in AP Calculus.
- 4) AP Computer Science Principles*: Requires a score of 4 or above in AP Computer Science A.
- 5) Further Math*: Requires the completion of AP Calculus and AP Statistics.

• Courses with *

- 1) Global Studies*: Provides opportunities for inquiry and reflection on key global issues from multiple perspectives — personal, national, and international.
- 2) English Literature and Drama*: Focuses on dramatic performance and creative interpretation through original English-language scripts.
- 3) Project, Research and Application*: Emphasizes project-based learning in which students conduct independent research on self-selected topics.
- 4) Additional Honors courses*: If a student enrolls in an AP course but does not sit for the official College Board AP Examination, the course will be recorded as Honors, with the same rigor and assessment standards as the AP level.
- 5) Integrated Enrichment Study*: Integrates pottery, painting, and calligraphy to foster artistic expression and cultural appreciation.

• Courses not offered

ELITE Academy offers neither AP History, AP Government and Politics, AP English, nor AP World Languages and Cultures courses for students of the Class of 2026.

Ranking , GPA Calculation and Grading Scales

ELITE Academy enrolls highly motivated and academically accomplished students. Because of the school's selectivity and the consistently strong academic performance of its students, class rankings are not reported.

ELITE Academy adopts 4.0 scale for GPA. In addition, Honors courses carry a +0.5 GPA weighting, while AP courses carry a +1.0 GPA weighting. For the Class of 2026, the highest GPA is 4.5, and the mean GPA is 3.2.

Weighted Grade Assignments

Percent Grade	Grade	Grade Points-Normal Courses	Grade Points-Honors Courses	Grade Points-AP Courses
97-100	A+	4	4.5	5
93-96	A	3.8	4.3	4.8
90-92	A-	3.6	4.1	4.6
87-89	B+	3.4	3.9	4.4
83-86	B	3.2	3.7	4.2
80-82	B-	3	3.5	4
77-79	C+	2.8	3.3	3.8
73-76	C	2.4	2.9	3.4
70-72	C-	2	2.5	3
67-69	D+	1.8	2.3	2.8
63-66	D	1.4	1.9	2.4
60-62	D-	1	1.5	2
50-59	E	0.5	1	1.5
0-49	F	0	0	0



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College Application Results Class of 2022-2025

The United States of America

Arizona State University
Auburn University
Baylor University
Beloit College
Binghamton University, State University of New York
Boston College
Boston University
California College of the Arts
Clark University
Case Western Reserve University
Emerson College
Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising
Franklin and Marshall College
Gonzaga University
Indiana University Bloomington
Lehigh University
Maryland Institute College of Art
Michigan State University
New York University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Otis College of Art and Design
Parsons School of Design
Pratt Institute
Purdue University in West Lafayette
Pepperdine University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rutgers University, New Brunswick
Rutgers University, Camden
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
School of Visual Arts
Stony Brook University, The State University of New York
Syracuse University
The Ohio State University
The Pennsylvania State University
Tulane University
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York
University of Arizona
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
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 Delaware
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of Illinois, Chicago
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
University of Pittsburgh
University of San Francisco
University of Southern California
University of Texas at Austin
University of Utah
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin-Madison

University of Maryland, College Park
University of Michigan-Flint
University of Michigan-Dearborn
Virginia Tech
Wesleyan University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Durham University
King's College London
London Metropolitan University
London School of Economics and Political Science
Newcastle University
The University of Edinburgh
The University of Sheffield
University College London
University of Birmingham
University of Bristol
University of Glasgow
University of Manchester
University of Southampton
University of the Arts London
University for the Creative Arts
University of York

Australia and New Zealand

Australian National University
Curtin University
Griffith University
Monash University
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology University
The University of Adelaide
The University of Melbourne
The University of New South Wales
The University of Queensland
The University of Sydney
The University of Western Australia
University of Auckland

Canada

McMaster University
Ontario College of Art & Design University
Queen's University
Simon Fraser University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia
University of Ottawa
University of Toronto
University of Waterloo
Western University
Wilfrid Laurier University
York University

Asia

Tsinghua University
City University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong Baptist University
Hong Kong Metropolitan University
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
City University of Macau
Macau University of Science and Technology
National University of Singapore
Nanyang Technological University