



# CHINGSHIN ACADEMY SCHOOL PROFILE 2023-2024

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## SCHOOL INFORMATION

Chingshin Academy is a non-profit, private school offering two different curricula, International Track and Taiwan High School Diploma Track for Grades 7-12. Founded in 1951, it is one of the most prestigious private college preparatory schools in Taiwan. Chingshin started its high school division, beginning with 10th grade, in 2019.

In the July 2023 General Scholastic Ability Test (GSAT), Chingshin's graduation class of seniors demonstrated excellence. 62% of our seniors were admitted to Taiwan's top 5 universities and School of Medicine: National Taiwan University, National Tsing Hua University, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University, National Cheng Kung University and National Chengchi University ; 90% were admitted to our country's National Universities.

## STUDENT BODY

Admission to Chingshin Academy is highly competitive. Students are recruited either by merit or by ranking in the 1st percentile nationally in Taiwan's Comprehensive Assessment Program for Junior High School Students. Students of the class of 2024 are matriculating to higher education, with 93% of students applying to universities in Taiwan and 7% applying to universities abroad.

### CURRENT CHINGSHIN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS (G10-12) :245

CLASS OF 2024  
69 STUDENTS



## LEADERSHIP TEAM

### School Principal

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## SCHOOL STAFF

Seventy certified, full-time teachers teach grades 7-12. The average student-teacher ratio is 1:12 with 46% of teachers holding a master's degree.

# CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

**Chingshin International Track Curriculum** offer **Advanced Placement (AP) course**, **TVO course** accredited by Canadian OSSD, and the **Regular program** based on the Common Core and requirements from the Taiwan Ministry of Education (MOE).

International Track students are required to complete 150-180 credits and earn a passing grade in 150 credits to receive a diploma.

In addition to national standards, all students must satisfy Chingshin's graduation requirements as well. These include outdoor adventure education, arts, athletics, and community service credits.

- 24 Credits of English Language Arts
- 20 Credits of Chinese Language Arts
- 16 Credits of Math
- 12 Credits of Science
- 12 Credits of Social Studies
- 10 Credits of Arts
- 4 Credits of Technology
- 6 Credits of Health
- 14 Credits of Physical Education
- 56 Credits of enriched and advanced elective course ( Student will take 4 credits in G10, 12 credits in G11, and 40 credits in G12.)
- 6 Credits of the Outdoor Adventure Education course (Chingshin requirements)
- complete 32 hours of community service

## GRADING SYSTEM

Chingshin's official grade point average (GPA) is a weighted GPA based on a 4.0 point system for calculation. The average GPA is calculated using a per credit system. Each credit is assigned a corresponding grade that is summed and divided by the total credits taken that semester.

All courses, regardless of pass or fail, will be factored into the cumulative GPA.

**Chingshin does not rank.**

**In International Track Chingshin offers Honors and AP courses.** The table indicates how the letter grades and course scores are converted into the calculation of the GPA.

### Interpretation of Grades and GPA Calculation (International Track)

Letter Grade	Percentage Grade	Grade Points		
		Regular	Honors	AP
A+	90-100	4.3	4.6	5.0
A	80-89	4	4.3	4.7
B+	76-79	3.3	3.6	4.0
B	70-75	3	3.3	3.7
C+	66-69	2.3	2.6	3.0
C	60-65	2	2.3	2.7
D+	56-59	1.3	1.6	2.0
D	50-55	1	1.3	1.7
F	49 below	0	0	0

# ACADEMIC COURSES

## Course Level Designations

- **Chingshin standard level course:** All courses, unless designated, are standard level based on Chingshin's rigorous curriculum.
- **Enrichment level course:** Specialized courses taught with more in-depth and extensive materials than standard level courses.
- **Advanced level course:** Courses taught at a college-level pace including TVO course and Advanced Placement (AP) course

## Enrichment & Advanced Elective Courses

### Enrichment Courses

Essentials of the Chinese Classics  
Topical Readings and Studies in Mandarin  
Expression & Communication in Mandarin Chinese

Introduction to Finance  
The Fundamentals of Finance  
Financial Theory  
Introduction to Economics

Mechanics\*  
Mechanics and Thermal Physics\*  
Waves, Sound and Light\*  
Matter and Energy\*  
Electromagnetic Phenomena\*  
Electromagnetic and Quantum Phenomena\*

English Listening and Speaking  
English Reading and Writing  
English Composition  
US Literature

History of Ethnic Groups, Genders, and Nations  
History of Technology, Environment and Art  
Geospatial Information Technology  
Modern Society and Economy  
Democratic Politics and Law  
Social and Environmental Issues

Chemical Structure and Kinetics\*  
Chemical Reaction and Equilibrium I\*  
Chemical Reaction and Equilibrium II\*

Spanish  
French  
German

Inquiry and Practice:  
Historical Inquiry\*  
Inquiry and Practice:  
Geographic Perspectives in the Humanities and Social Sciences\*  
Inquiry and Practice: Public Issues and Social Inquiry\*

Organic Chemistry and Applications\*  
Chemistry - A Colorful Kingdom\*  
Exploring Chemistry\*

Mathematical Modeling  
Math Enrichment II  
Introduction to Calculus

## Enrichment & Advanced Elective Courses

### Enrichment Courses

Cells and Genetics\*  
Animal Structure & Function\*  
Origin of Life, Plant Structure  
& Function\*  
Ecology, Evolution and  
Biodiversity\*

Geology and the Environment  
Ocean, Atmosphere and  
Astronomy  
World of Rocks\*

Reading and Writing:  
Scientific Essays  
Scientific Theories in  
Performance Art  
Applications of Scientific  
Principles in Performance Art

Performance Creation  
Design Foundation  
Multimedia Music  
New Media Art

Robotics Research Project\*  
Engineering Design Research  
Project\*  
Applied Technology Project

Chingshin Broadcast News  
Media Literacy and  
Interpretation  
Film Appreciation and  
Production

Citizenship, Critical  
Industrial Development and  
Globalization  
Citizenship and Action

### Advanced Courses

Analysis of Ancient Chinese  
Text "Records of the Grand  
Historian"  
Analysis of Ancient Chinese  
Text "Dream of the Red  
Chamber"

Academic Reading & Writing  
in English  
Academic Writing in English  
Perspectives on Literature

Math Enrichment I  
Calculus  
Linear Algebra

Industrial Development and  
Globalization  
The Fundamentals of Finance  
Financial Theory

Debates in Physics  
Electronics Principles and  
Laboratory\*  
Advanced Programming  
Project Study of "Internet of  
Thing"  
Introduction to Biomedical  
Engineering  
Introduction to Aeronautics

**\*with lab**

## TVO courses (accredited by Canadian OSSD)

Subject	Course
English	<b>Academic</b> G10 English <b>University Prep</b> G11 English G12 English
Electives	<b>University Prep</b> Studies in Literature The Writer's Craft  Advanced Functions Calculus & Vectors Mathematics of Data Management  Earth and Space Science Challenge and Change in Society Philosophy: Questions and Theories World Cultures Introduction to Anthropology, Psychology, and Sociology  International Business Fundamentals Business Leadership: Management Fundamentals Investing in the Stock Market

## Honors Course / Advanced Placement (AP) Course Offering 2023-24

Subject	Course	Grade
English	Honors English Language Arts AP English Literature and Composition	G10, G11 G12
Math	AP Pre-Calculus	G12
Social Studies	AP Macroeconomics AP Microeconomics	G12

# TAIWAN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA TRACK

The majority of students at Chingshin follow an advanced and accelerated adaptation of the grades 7 - 12 curriculum standards promulgated by the Taiwanese Ministry of Education.

Core subjects include Chinese, English, math, science, and social studies. Additionally, students take a variety of specialized elective courses and enrichment level courses that are taught with more in-depth and extensive materials than standard level courses. Students are required to complete 150-180 credits and earn a passing grade in 150 credits to receive a diploma.

- 18 Credits of English Language Arts
- 20 Credits of Chinese Language Arts
- 16 Credits of Math
- 12 Credits of Science
- 18 Credits of Social Studies
- 10 Credits of Arts
- 4 Credits of Technology
- 6 Credits of Health
- 14 Credits of Physical Education
- 56 Credits of enriched and advanced elective course
- 6 Credits of the Outdoor Adventure Education course (Chingshin requirements)
- complete 32 hours of community service

In the spring semester of Grade 10, all students choose between specializing in social studies or the sciences and take relevant courses.

**In Taiwan High School Diploma Track, we do not offer Honors or AP courses.**

## Interpretation of Grades and GPA Calculation (Taiwan High School Diploma Track)

Letter Grade	Percentage Grade	Regular
A+	90-100	4.3
A	80-89	4
B+	76-79	3.3
B	70-75	3
C+	66-69	2.3
C	60-65	2
D+	56-59	1.3
D	50-55	1
F	49 below	0

## CLASS OF 2024 GRADE PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION

(10th to 11th grade)

Letter Grade	Percentage Grade	Students	% of Class
A+	90-100	1	1%
A	80-89	22	32%
B+	76-79	25	36%
B	70-75	18	26%
C+	66-69	3	4%
C	65 below	0	0%
Total		69	100%

## CLASS OF 2024 SAT

(All SAT Data as of OCT. 2023)

SAT Summary	Average
ERW	707.5
MATH	770
TOTAL	1477.5

The SAT is optional for Chingshin students who plan to apply to U.S. universities. Some students are not using SAT scores in their applications.

## CLASS OF 2024 TOEFL

(All TOEFL Data as of OCT. 2023)

Highest Score	111
Average	106.4

# SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

## **Chingshin's Advanced Curriculum:**

Chingshin students are ranked in the 1st percentile nationally; thus, all standard courses are accelerated and cover more material than the standard content area promulgated by the Taiwanese Ministry of Education.

## **TVO ILC Course:**

Chingshin offers courses in tandem with Ontario's largest accredited high school, TVO ILC. Serving Canada for more than 90 years, TVO courses are conducted through an online platform with an in-person facilitator. Courses are valued at 1 credit and require at least 6 hours per week each semester to finish. Completion of any TVO courses demonstrates a student's ability to complete high school level coursework from an English-speaking country.

## **English Education for all students:**

Chingshin strives for all students to achieve basic communicative competence in English. With a K-12 integrated English curriculum, students study short stories, classic and modern essays, poetry, and novels.

## **Technology Program:**

Chingshin's "STREAM" program is built upon a STEM with computer science program developed by iCarnegie Global Learning, Carnegie Mellon Robotics Academy and Robomatter, Inc., integrating disciplines of science, technology, engineering, and math with Chingshin's own research project and art curriculums. Students can choose different electives, including robotics, AIoT, or mathematical research, to satisfy their technology course requirements and further explore their specialized academic fields.

## **Outdoor Adventure Education Program:**

From preschool through 12th grade, the outdoor adventure education program strives to develop students' ability to take calculated risks and persevere through hardship. By completing difficult tasks such as climbing steep mountains and building ocean rafts from scratch, students cultivate teamwork, positivity, problem solving, and most importantly, leadership skills.

## **Community Service Program:**

Students are required to complete at least 32 hours of community service in high school. They create opportunities independently, leverage student organizations, or participate in school-wide projects to fulfill their hours. Examples of student-led service projects include developing educational programs for underprivileged children in Taiwan to organizing reforestation projects in Inner Mongolia.

## **Co-Curricular Programs:**

Chingshin currently offers 13 student organizations, including academic clubs such as biomedical research, Model United Nations, English debate, student publications, computer science, as well as personal interest clubs such as guitar or basketball. Additionally, the school has three large service organizations including the student council and other entities that support local Taiwanese communities.



# UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

All of Chingshin's students graduate to enroll into three/four-year colleges or universities around the world. Please find a list of acceptances for our school's graduating class from 2022-2023.

**\*2023 matriculations are bolded**

## UNITED STATES

Long Island University  
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences - Boston

### **Minerva University**

New York University Abu Dhabi  
Northwestern University in Qatar  
Purdue University  
San Francisco State University  
University of California, Berkeley  
University of California, Davis  
University of California, Riverside  
University of California, Santa Cruz

### **University of Washington**

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  
West Virginia University

## CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES

The University of British Columbia  
**University of Toronto**

## OTHER OVERSEAS COUNTRIES

**Beijing Institute of Technology (China)**  
**City University of Hong Kong (China)**  
**Tianjin University (China)**  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong (China)  
**The University of Sydney (Australia)**  
**University of Amsterdam (Netherlands)**  
**Sichuan University (China)**  
**Shanghai University (China)**  
**Soochow University (China)**  
**Waseda University (Japan)**  
**Xi'an Jiaotong University (China)**  
**Xiamen University (China)**

## TAIWANESE UNIVERSITIES

**Chang Gung University**  
**China Medical University**  
**Chia Nan University of Pharmacy and Science**  
**Chung Yuan Christian University**  
**Fu Jen Catholic University**  
Kaohsiung Medical University  
Mackay Medical College  
**National Central University**  
**National Chengchi University**  
**National Cheng Kung University**  
**National Chung Cheng University**  
**National Chung Hsing University**  
**National Dong Hwa University**  
**National Pingtung University of Science and Technology**  
**Tajen University**  
**University of Taipei**  
**National Sun Yat-sen University**  
**National Taipei University**  
**National Taipei University of Education**  
**National Taipei University of Technology**  
**National Taipei University of Nursing and Health Sciences**  
**National Taiwan Normal University**  
**National Taiwan University**  
**National Taiwan University of Science and Technology**  
**National Taiwan Ocean University**  
**National Tsing Hua University**  
**National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University**  
**Soochow University**  
**Taipei Medical University**