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The American School in Switzerland

The American School in Switzerland (TASIS) is a coeducational boarding school for students in grades 7 through 12 (ages 12–18). It was founded in 1955 by an American educator, Mrs. M. Crist Fleming, to provide a quality American secondary education drawing on the cultural resources of Europe. Nearly 40 nationalities are represented in the School's enrollment of 275 students: 240 of whom are boarders. The School offers outstanding preparation for university and fosters an atmosphere of international understanding. The curriculum includes American College Preparatory courses, the International Baccalaureate diploma, and English-as-a-Second-Language.

The American College Preparatory curriculum includes challenging Advanced Placement courses. TASIS has been recognized by the College Board for its outstanding AP Program, and each year an increasing number of students graduate as AP Scholars. The International Baccalaureate

curriculum prepares students for entrance to universities around the world. The curriculum is followed in the last two years of high school, and students have the option of preparing for the full IB diploma or for individual certificates. The English-as-a-Second-Language curriculum is designed to meet the needs of students who are not yet fluent in English while preparing them for graduation with either the IB or American diploma. Curricula are individualized to meet each student's particular needs. An average class size of 12 and a faculty-student ratio of 1:7 assures that each student receives a maximum amount of individual attention. The highly qualified and dedicated faculty build and sustain close working relationships with students in classes, in the dormitory residences, through sports and activities, and counseling. Each student has a faculty advisor.

TASIS enjoys an excellent placement record at a wide range of U.S. colleges and universities, including the most selective, as well as at universities worldwide including the University

of Vienna, Cambridge, London School of Economics and Keio University. Students are prepared for the SAT, TOEFL, Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate exams, which are administered on campus. The School is accredited both in Europe by the European Council of International Schools and in the United States by the New England Asso-

Students in a TASIS Classroom

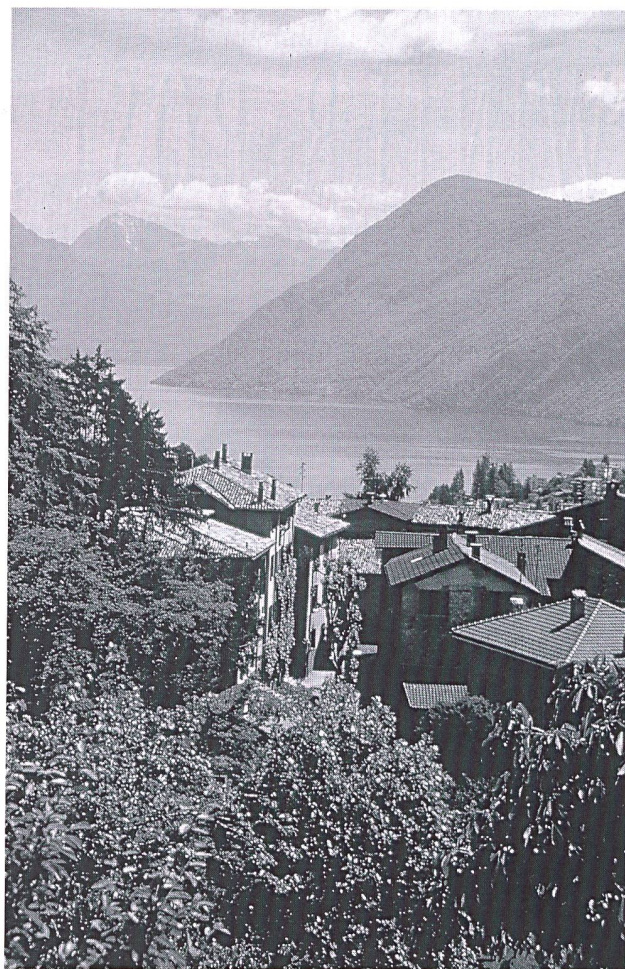


ciation of Schools and Colleges. Mrs Fleming, has been recognized for her services to international education by awards from the U.S. Government and Harvard University.

The School is situated on a beautiful campus overlooking Lugano with spectacular views of mountains and the lake. Students are housed in dormitories with faculty in residence. The nine dormitories include the restored national landmark buildings Villa de Nobili and Scuderia dating from the 17th century, Hadsall House from the 19th century, and other purpose-built housing. Other facilities include fully equipped science laboratories, a computer center, modern classrooms, a theater, art center, 12,000 volume library, and a recreation center. A gymnasium, pool, and playing field complete the campus, which possesses an atmosphere of intimacy, seclusion, and tradition.

TASIS offers full arts, sports, activities and travel programs. Fine Arts opportunities include photography, painting, drawing and ceramics, drama, dance and music. The annual Spring Arts Festival, a highlight of the year, showcases the School's arts program by allowing students to exhibit their work and perform in conjunction with professional artists. The sports program includes competitive matches with local and international schools in such sports as basketball, rugby, soccer, volleyball, water polo, tennis, and track & field. Other sports include aerobics, fitness training, taekwando, golf and horseback riding. The second semester begins with a two week ski term in Crans-Montana where a modified class schedule includes instruction in winter sports. Course-related In-Program Travel takes place twice a year, drawing extensively on the cultural resources available in Europe, to such destinations as Rome, Venice, Vienna, Paris, Munich and Prague.

A wide range of summer programs are offered for students from ages 6 to 18, including intensive language courses in English, Italian, French, German and Spanish, as well as an Architecture and Design program. Other summer study opportunities are available on the other TASIS campuses in England, Greece, Spain and Rougemont, Switzerland.



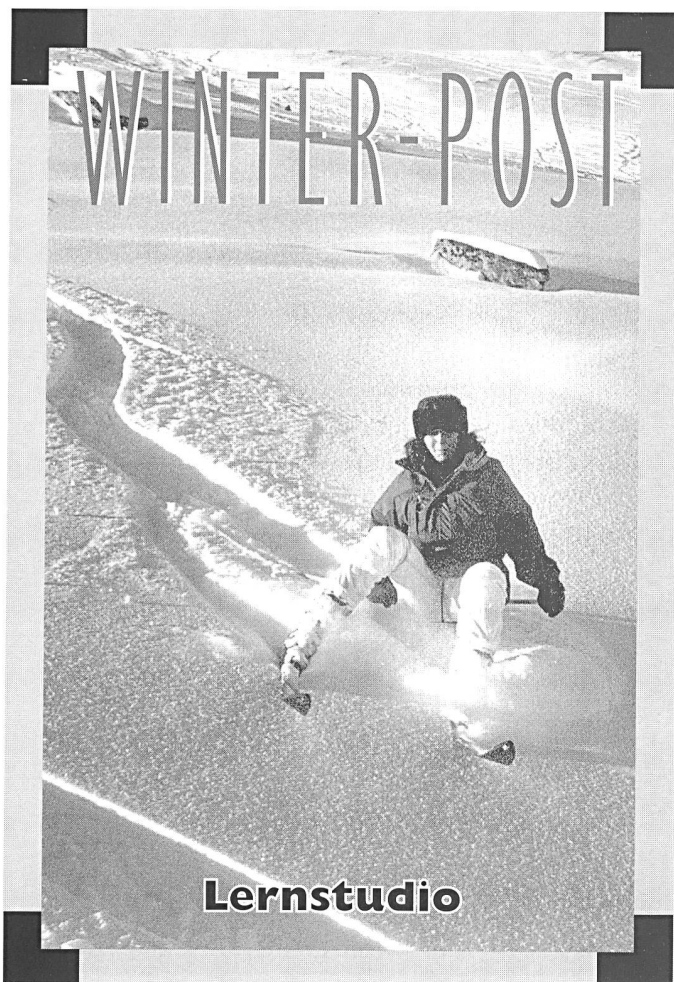
View of Lake Lugano and TASIS Campus

THE AMERICAN SCHOOL IN SWITZERLAND (TASIS) AT A GLANCE

- Boarding school for 12–18 year olds
- Beautiful campus near Lugano, Ticino, south of the Swiss Alps
- Longest established American boarding school in Europe; 40 years of quality education
- Diverse curricula: US college prep, AP, IB, semester/year abroad
- Extensive travel, sports, activities
- Small classes, dedicated faculty, family-style, international community
- Challenging summer courses for credit: ESL, French, and German
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