## Study Abroad

#### Intercultural enrichment

The underlying reasons for students to attend high school programmes in a foreign country are to empower them with a new sense of responsibility, independence and adulthood that is distinct from that acquired through the comfort of one's home environment.

You immerse yourself into the regular local class and extracurricular environment, mix freely with peers, build friendships, follow lessons together and sit for examinations. Moreover, you live in a carefully selected host family who profusely offers you natural maternal care, comfort and support to facilitate your integration into the daily family routine of your, at first alien, Malta home.

Your stay extends between one term of 3 months and one year of 9 months. The latter is preferred as it provides for your superior all round intercultural relations opportunities. However, short experimental taster encounters are sometimes made available to visiting school groups.

Most importantly as a high school student with NSTS Malta, you are closely guided, cared for and supported by a dedicated professional Guardian with long years of experience in this sensitive sector. Your parents may put their minds at rest as their caring interest is assumed, and well extended to you, by our NSTS Guardian in this extraordinary personalised relationship.

To this end, upon arrival, you will participate in a 3-day residential induction orientation that spans life, customs and behaviour in Malta, at your school and at your host family. The NSTS Guardian supplements this induction by on-going group activities and motivating discussion-topics of appeal which are debated in open intercultural fora. These facilitate English communication, elicit values, strengthen personality formation, and retain respect towards your identity.



# Unique concept of guardianship and student support

For our high school exchange students and summer camp participants, we have a specially dedicated welfare teammate who oversees the pastoral care of our international students.



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#### **High School Year/term**

Malta's high schools provide an all-round general education to students and welcome you from the age of 13 years up to 16 years when, at grade 11, they prepare you for the local equivalent of the GCSE examinations, or the actual British examinations.

You will study, among other subjects, English, Mathematics, Physical and Social Education, a selection from the sciences and the humanities, another European language and may participate in extracurricular activities and outings.

#### **University Pathway**

#### - Senior High School Year/term

At the age of 16 or 17 years you join the 2-year university pathway programme at senior high school. This prepares local students to gain eligibility into reputable English-speaking universities anywhere in the world. You may join only the first year, school year 12, or continue to sit for your British 'A' levels at the end of the second year, school year 13.

During these years you study 2 subjects at Advanced 'A' level, 3 subjects at Intermediate level selected from subject bundles as well as the obligatory Systems of Knowledge.

#### **Fees**

The programme fees include the schooling, family hosting, residential induction, guardianship on-going care, activities and fora, and airport transfers. School extracurricular activities, uniform, books, transport, and pocket money are supplementary.

#### All-inclusive fees and arrival/departure dates:

1 Term	€5,895	3 Jan 20 - 10 Apr 20	19 Sep 20 - 23 Dec 20
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		13 Apr 20 - 27 Jun 20	2 Jan 21 - 2 Apr 21
			5 Apr 21 - 26 Jun 21
2 Terms	€9,557	3 Jan 20 - 27 Jun 20	19 Sep 20 - 2 Apr 21
			2 Jan 21 - 26 Jun 21
3 Terms	€11,995		19 Sep 20 - 26 Jun 21

Registration fee: €360