



# Catlin Gabel

## 2018-19 School Profile

School Code: 380-845

Catlin Gabel is an independent, co-educational, non-sectarian day school serving students from preschool through grade 12. Founded in 1859, the school has a total of 770 students. 43% of the students who attend Catlin Gabel identify as people of color. The student-teacher ratio in the Upper School is 8-to-1. This year, there are 320 Upper School students.

### MISSION

Catlin Gabel supports inspired learning leading to responsible action through dedicated teaching, caring relationships, a challenging curriculum, and community service. We value each person's effort, imagination, and positive contributions to the community. We celebrate being inclusive and the partnership between family and school.

### ACCREDITATION

Northwest Association of Independent Schools; AdvanceED

### ADMISSION

Admission is competitive, based on previous school record, entrance examinations, recommendations, personal qualifications, and interview. Each year, approximately 30% of freshmen are new to Catlin Gabel. More than one-quarter of Upper School students receive financial aid.

### CURRICULUM

Catlin Gabel offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum. Upon completion of graduation requirements students may choose from a variety of electives in all departments. Our course catalog, including course descriptions and prerequisites, is available at <https://www.catlin.edu/page.cfm?p=731>.

The Catlin Gabel faculty design our curriculum. The intensity of our program meets or exceeds the rigor and depth of the AP program, although AP courses are not offered. In spring 2018, 52 students took 90 exams. 91% scored 3 or higher; 72% scored 4 or higher.

### Honors classes are offered in the following areas

<i>Chinese Seminar</i>	<i>Genres</i>	<i>Calculus I</i>	<i>Adv. Chemistry</i>
<i>French Seminar</i>	<i>Honors Portfolio</i>	<i>Calculus II</i>	<i>Adv. Physics</i>
<i>Spanish Seminar</i>	<i>Honors Jazz Band</i>	<i>Statistics</i>	<i>Hon. Comp. Science 2</i>
<i>Palma Seminar</i>	<i>Soc. Studies Electives</i>	<i>Adv. Math. Seminar</i>	<i>Hon. Comp. Science 3</i>
<i>Senior English</i>	<i>Adv. Algebra II</i>	<i>Acc. Science II</i>	<i>Hon. Comp. Science</i>
<i>Electives</i>	<i>Adv. Precalculus</i>	<i>Adv. Biology</i>	<i>Ind. Research</i>

### GRADING

Catlin Gabel's educational philosophy de-emphasizes letter grades, and student academic work is evaluated primarily through frequent conferences with faculty and through narrative reports. Letter grades (A+ through F) are given once per year in yearlong courses; courses lasting for one semester are graded at semester's end. We do not rank our students; nor do we calculate and report a GPA on transcripts.

### Class of 2019 Junior Grade Distribution

	Eng	Hist / SS	Lang	Math	Sci	Arts	Comp Sci
A+	0	2	11	8	20	8	1
A	27	17	33	18	38	72	12
A-	26	25	18	18	37	4	2
B+	16	21	6	10	19	3	2
B	7	12	2	12	19	2	0
B-	2	1	4	4	4	0	0
C+	4	1	0	2	4	0	0
C	0	2	0	2	2	1	0
C-	2	0	0	1	1	0	0
D	0	2	0	1	1	0	0
F	1	1	0	0	0	0	0

### Progressive and Experiential Education at Catlin Gabel

For over a hundred years, Catlin Gabel has been a leader in progressive education, and we continue to innovate and evolve. We prize understanding and action as educational goals, build a curriculum that integrates and encourages collaboration among different disciplines, and promote personalized learning using the individual student as the unit of consideration. Our school values experiential education, the idea that people learn by doing, not simply by being told. Students learn through direct exposure to diverse projects, places, events and people. Our programs give students the real-world skills they need to work and create with others, and be part of a global society.

### CLASS OF 2018

97% of the class of 2018 applied and were admitted to four-year colleges or universities.

### Standardized Test Scores

64 tested between June 2016 - December 2017; best scores reported.

SAT			
	Mean	Mid-50% Range	Test
	703	670-750	EBRW
	685	640-750	Math

27 tested between April 2016 - December 2017; best scores reported.

ACT			
	Mean	Mid-50% Range	Test
	30.2	27-33	Composite

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A diploma from Catlin Gabel indicates successful completion of four years of high school experience. For most students, this means completion of at least 18 academic courses, including the departmental requirements outlined below. Additionally, all students are expected to engage in ongoing community service efforts and complete an experiential learning project in May of their senior year.

<b>English</b>	Four years (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior English or American Studies, and a year of senior electives)
<b>History / Social Studies</b>	Three years (Human Crossroads, Modern World, and US History or American Studies)
<b>Modern Languages</b>	Three years of the same language
<b>Mathematics</b>	Successful completion of Algebra II and Geometry
<b>Science</b>	Three years, including Science I, Science II, and a year of electives
<b>Arts</b>	Two years of coursework in music, theater, and/or the visual arts
<b>Computer Science</b>	Optional
<b>PE</b>	Nine units of Physical Education and Health

## DISTINCTIVE FEATURES OF THE SCHOOL

### Athletics

Catlin Gabel's athletics program mission is to encourage and empower students to develop excellence in their athletic, leadership, sportsmanship, character, and interpersonal skills. The Eagles have a rich tradition of success in athletics, including 17-time winner of the Oregon 3A All-Sports Award and eight state championships over the past five years.

### Community Engagement

We believe in creating meaningful, long-term reciprocal relationships between students and community organizations. Our students engage with the greater Portland region in various ways, including volunteering, service learning, internships and partnerships. At the beginning of each school year, every student is expected to identify an organization, an issue, or a set of related projects that will serve as their focus for the year. Students develop a personal plan for community engagement and invest in it to their capacity.

### Engineering Program

Students immerse themselves in real-world practice that draws not only from engineering but also from computer science, electronics, mechanical design / fabrication, business development, public relations and applied physics. Our FIRST Robotics team has qualified for the world championships 11 times in the past 12 years, winning multiple Chairman's Awards recognizing partnership and outreach. InvenTeam students develop new products that make the world better and have won multiple international design competitions. Over 15% of Upper School students participate in the program.

### Global Online Academy

Catlin Gabel School is a founding member of Global Online Academy (GOA), a consortium of leading independent schools from around the world that fosters new, modern ways for students to learn and teachers to teach. GOA teachers and students share their voice on a global stage, enhancing learning and enabling the pursuit of individual passions. Courses taken through the Global Online Academy will be noted on a student's transcript.

### Palma Scholars

The Palma Scholars Program is designed to promote educational innovation at Catlin Gabel through the development of original academic programming and pedagogical techniques, along with the recruitment of academically exceptional students with notable potential in leadership, athletics, and service to the Catlin Gabel Upper School. 3-5 incoming 9th graders are selected as Palma Scholars and are empowered to develop unique educational experiences, as their graduation requirements are waived. Students enrolled in the program receive comprehensive merit-based financial aid to defray the cost of attendance. The program also incorporates a Palma seminar each semester, which is open to all Catlin Gabel students and required of Palma Scholars. The seminar is interdisciplinary, experiential, and explores contemporary issues.

### PLACE

People Leading Across City Environments is a collection of programs that provides an opportunity for Catlin Gabel students to collaborate with students from other schools around the Portland metro region, challenging them to be more engaged citizens by making authentic, meaningful, real-world change in their communities. Catlin Gabel provides a classroom space (The CENTER) in North Portland in partnership with a coalition of local schools and nonprofit organizations.

### Senior Projects

Senior Projects provide opportunities for students to engage with the local community and represent the best of experiential learning at Catlin Gabel. They are student-driven, connected to the community, skills-focused, and allow students to apply their knowledge and skills to make an authentic impact with local businesses and organizations. Senior Projects take place in May. Students are expected to work 30 hours per week with an on-site mentor at their chosen organization. Students share their experiences through frequent blog posts and a final, community-wide exhibition.

## COLLEGE ADMISSION, 2015-18

The following colleges and universities, among others, have offered admission to Catlin Gabel graduates during the last four years. Numbers in parentheses designate the number of students who matriculated to the college or university during those years. Colleges attended by members of the class of 2018 appear in bold.

Alfred University (1)	<b>Oregon State University</b> (8)
American University (2)	<b>Oregon State University, Cascades</b> (1)
Amherst College (1)	Pacific University (1)
Arizona State University (1)	<b>Pitzer College</b> (7)
Babson College (1)	<b>Pomona College</b> (3)
<b>Barnard College</b> (2)	Pratt Institute (1)
Bates College (1)	<b>Princeton University</b> (5)
Beloit College (3)	Quest University Canada (2)
Bennington College (1)	Reed College (2)
Berklee College of Music (1)	Rochester Institute of Technology (1)
<b>Boston University</b> (6)	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology (1)
Bowdoin College (3)	Saint Mary's College of California (1)
<b>Brandeis University</b> (1)	<b>Santa Clara University</b> (2)
<b>Brown University</b> (3)	Sarah Lawrence College (2)
Bryn Mawr College (2)	School of the Art Institute of Chicago (1)
California Institute of Technology (1)	<b>Scripps College</b> (7)
California Lutheran University (2)	Seattle University (3)
<b>Carleton College</b> (1)	Skidmore College (1)
Champlain College (1)	<b>Smith College</b> (2)
Chapman University (2)	Southern Oregon University (1)
Claremont McKenna College (1)	<b>Stanford University</b> (8)
Colby College (1)	<b>Swarthmore College</b> (5)
<b>Colorado College</b> (3)	Texas Christian University (1)
Columbia University (4)	The College of Wooster (1)
Cornell University (4)	<b>The George Washington University</b> (4)
<b>Cornish College of the Arts</b> (2)	<b>The New School - All Divisions</b> (3)
<b>Dartmouth College</b> (7)	<b>The University of the Arts</b> (1)
DePaul University (1)	<b>Tufts University</b> (2)
Dickinson College (1)	Tulane University (1)
Duke University (1)	University of British Columbia (2)
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (2)	University of California, Berkeley (1)
Emerson College (2)	University of California, San Diego (1)
Fordham University (1)	University of California, Santa Cruz (1)
<b>Georgetown University</b> (1)	<b>University of Chicago</b> (4)
<b>Grinnell College</b> (2)	<b>University of Cincinnati</b> (1)
Hamilton College - NY (2)	<b>University of Colorado at Boulder</b> (2)
<b>Harvard University</b> (7)	<b>University of Denver</b> (3)
Harvey Mudd College (1)	<b>University of Miami</b> (1)
<b>Haverford College</b> (2)	University of Michigan (1)
Johns Hopkins University (1)	University of New Mexico (1)
Kenyon College (2)	University of Notre Dame (1)
Lafayette College (1)	<b>University of Oregon</b> (15)
<b>Lewis &amp; Clark College</b> (4)	University of Oxford (1)
Linfield College (1)	<b>University of Portland</b> (1)
<b>Loyola Marymount University</b> (2)	<b>University of Puget Sound</b> (6)
Loyola University Chicago (1)	University of Redlands (3)
<b>Macalester College</b> (5)	<b>University of Southern California</b> (5)
Marquette University (1)	University of St Andrews (1)
Marymount Manhattan College (1)	University of the Pacific (1)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology (3)	University of Vermont (1)
<b>McGill University</b> (2)	<b>University of Washington</b> (6)
<b>Middlebury College</b> (3)	Wake Forest University (1)
Mills College (1)	<b>Washington University in St. Louis</b> (3)
Montana State University, Bozeman (1)	Wellesley College (1)
Mount Holyoke College (2)	Wesleyan University (1)
<b>New York University</b> (5)	Wheaton College MA (1)
<b>NYU Shanghai</b> (1)	Whitman College (6)
<b>Northeastern University</b> (9)	<b>Whittier College</b> (1)
Northwestern University (1)	<b>Williams College</b> (3)
Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences (1)	Worcester Polytechnic Institute (4)
<b>Occidental College</b> (11)	<b>Yale University</b> (3)

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