



The Hill School School Profile 2019-20

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Characteristics

- Founded in 1851
- A coeducational college preparatory boarding school, grades 9 through 12; a PG year is also offered.
- All students must reside on campus for one year.
- Enrollment: 529 students from 32 states and 32 countries
- 39% are students of color; 20% are international
- 38% receive financial support to attend Hill
- Student Teacher Ratio: 8-1; average class size: 12 students
- 100% of students attend college within one year of graduation.
- Accredited by The Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools; licensed by The Pennsylvania Department of Education; Member of NACAC, PACAC, and IACAC.
- Community Service: Hill students participate in all-school and all-grade level community service projects throughout the year. Students also may choose community service as an afternoon activity which focuses on supporting the local Pottstown area.
- The Student Philanthropy Council (SPC) is a unique endowed program at Hill. Students must apply for selection to the Council. Each year, the SPC awards \$16,000 in grant money to local non-profit organizations. Interested organizations submit a grant application to the SPC; the Council then meets weekly to evaluate proposals, conducts visits with each organization, and ultimately makes the final grant decisions and check presentations in the spring.

Academic Overview

- Calendar: Trimester
- Five classes are required; students may enroll in a sixth graded course and may take a seventh ungraded.
- College Level (Post-A) courses represent the highest level of rigor and are offered in languages, mathematics, computer science, economics, and history.
- Independent Study: Students may submit a proposal to pursue an Independent Study in a specialized study area not covered by our curriculum to the Academic Dean (and Faculty Committee if requesting Honors designation).
- At Hill, we honor and value the tenets of a traditional liberal arts education and provide our graduates with the skills and tools that a fast-changing, 21st Century world requires for success and fulfillment. The Quadrivium Curriculum, Hill's unique STEM program, sets a new standard for interdisciplinary studies in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology. The program moves away from traditional course sequencing and creates new tracks and electives that emphasize collaboration, real-world problem solving, and scientific design. Courses in history, English, world languages, religious studies, humanities, and classics emphasize the development of critical analysis, creative thinking, and effective oral and written communication skills.
- We are committed to fostering a culture of real-world application. Uniquely situated in a once-thriving industrial city, Hill's local and regional setting offers authentic, place-based learning experiences for students. Many classes bring students into the community and in-class instruction uses local, regional, and global contexts to drive inquiry.

SAT/ACT Summary- Class of 2019

SAT: 253 Test Takers

Section	Middle 50%	Mean
Evidenced based reading and writing	600 - 710	651
Mathematics	600 - 740	667
Total	1215 - 1440	1317

ACT: 81 Test Takers

Section	Middle 50%	Mean
English	23 - 33	27.3
Mathematics	25 - 30	26.9
Reading	22 - 31	26.9
Science	23 - 29	26.5
Composite	24 - 30	26.9

Graduation Requirements

English | Four years.

Mathematics | Three years including one year of Geometry and two years of Algebra.

Language | Three years of a single language or two years of two languages.

Science | Two years of laboratory science.

History and Social Sciences | Two years; U.S. History is required.

Religious Studies & Philosophy | One year.

Arts | Requirements vary depending on point of entry.

Reporting Of Discipline

Students are expected to act with integrity in all academic and personal matters. The Hill School complies with NACAC's National Code of Ethics and Professional Practices. As such, applicable disciplinary issues will be reported to colleges accordingly.

2019-2020 Course Offerings

With the exception of math, computer science, and modern language, students are only allowed to take AP and CL classes in their fifth and sixth form years. Detailed course descriptions can be found at www.thehill.org/academics/course-offerings.

COLLEGE LEVEL (POST-AP)

Arts
Advanced Studio Art Seminar

Classics
Advanced Latin/Greek Seminar
Advanced Latin Seminar

Engineering & Design
Engineering 4

History & Social Sciences
Advanced Economics
Advanced History Seminar

Mathematics
Advanced Computer Science Seminar
Advanced Mathematics Seminar

World Languages
Arabic 4 Seminar
Arabic 5 Seminar
Chinese 5 Business & Communications
Senior French Seminar

Humanities
Humanities 3 English Language
Humanities 4 English Literature

Mathematics
BC/Multivariable Calculus
Calculus AB
Computer Science Principles
Computer Science A
Statistics

Science
Biology
Chemistry
Environmental Science
Physics 1
Physics C Electricity & Magnetism
Physics C Mechanics

World Languages
French
Spanish 5 Literature
Spanish Language & Culture
Spanish Language & Culture with Service Learning

History & Social Sciences

US History
World History/Latin America
World History/Middle East
World History/Modern Europe

Mathematics
Calculus
Integrated Mathematics (31, 41, 42, 43)

Religious Studies & Philosophy
Philosophy and Religion in China and Beyond
Philosophy Seminar
Religion and Film in Contemporary Society
Worldviews & World Religions

Science
Chemistry 1
Integrated Science 1
Integrated Science 2
Physics 1

World Languages
Advanced French 4
Advanced Spanish 4

AP

Arts
Art History
Studio Art 2-D Design
Studio Art 3-D Design
Studio Art Drawing

Classics
Latin

English
English 3 Language
English 4 Literature

History & Social Sciences
Comparative Government and Politics
Economics
Psychology
U.S. History

HONORS

Arts
Advanced Studio Art 3

Classics
Greek 2
Greek 3
Greek 4
Latin 1
Latin 2/Greek 1
Latin 3

Engineering 3

English
English 3
English 4
English 4 Literature and Religion

Arabic 2
Arabic 3
Chinese 2
Chinese 3
Chinese 4
French 2
French 3
Greek 2
Greek 3
Greek 4
Spanish 2
Spanish 3