

Lawrence Academy School Profile

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THE SCHOOL

Founded in 1793, Lawrence Academy is an academically rigorous coeducational boarding and day college-preparatory school enrolling 426 students in grades 9–12. The day population draws from eastern Massachusetts and neighboring New Hampshire towns. Nine percent of the student population is international, representing 14 different countries, while the remaining boarding students come from 19 different states. On average, 100 seniors graduate each year, with 100 percent matriculating at a four-year college.

CALENDAR

Lawrence Academy operates on a trimester system, with a required two-week “Winterim” experiential education program at the end of the winter term. The first trimester ends at the winter break recess; the second, approximately March 1.

CLASS RANK, GPA, CUM LAUDE, AND HIGH HONOR ROLL/ HONOR ROLL

Lawrence Academy does not provide class rank nor a cumulative grade point average. Cum Laude is awarded to the top 10 percent of juniors with no grade below B-. High Honor Roll is earned with a term GPA of 3.50 and above with no grade below B. Honor Roll is earned with a term GPA of 3.00 and above and no grade below B-.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Year-long courses earn one credit; term-length electives earn one-third credit. Students entering in Grade 9 must earn 18 credits; 17-1/3 credits are required for all others for graduation, including the following distribution requirements:

English	4 years
Mathematics	3 years (through Algebra II and Trigonometry)
Science	3 years of a laboratory science for students entering in Grade 9 (Physics, Chemistry, Biology); 2 years for others (Chemistry and Biology)
History	3 years if entering in Grade 9; 2 years for others (U.S. History plus one other)
Language	2 years of one language
Arts	2 years for students entering in Grade 9; 1/3 per year for those entering after Grade 9

REPORTING DISCIPLINE

It is expected, when asked in the college application process about any formal discipline at Lawrence Academy, that students will respond in an honest and forthright manner. If Lawrence Academy discovers that a student has not answered honestly and forthrightly according to the college’s purpose and definition, the school will immediately contact the college and provide an account of the student’s relevant disciplinary history consistent with the school’s records. If a college reaches out to inquire about a student’s disciplinary history, Lawrence Academy will answer honestly. Aside from specific inquiries from colleges, Lawrence Academy does not automatically report disciplinary decisions to other schools or colleges unless they occur following the submission of application materials by the student and/or during the student’s senior year.

ACCREDITATION

New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Memberships are held in the National Association for College Admissions Counseling, the New England Association for College Admissions Counseling, the College Board, and the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools.

THE CURRICULUM

Year-long classes form the core of the upper class curriculum. Most arts classes are one term in length. **Lawrence Academy does not offer Advanced Placement courses.** Our most rigorous courses will be designated “Honors,” and students may only take these courses with the permission of the department chair and/or completion of a qualifying exam. Please note that arts courses are treated like all others in computing grade point average, as we do not distinguish between “minor” and “major” subjects.

EXPLANATION OF COURSE LEVELS

Lawrence Academy offers a rigorous, college preparatory curriculum at all grade levels. Courses are offered at the following levels and each discipline may vary by year: Standard (ST) and Honors (HON). Honors is our highest course level. Honors courses are as rigorous, if not more, than AP courses.

Course	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English	ST	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON
History	ST	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON
Mathematics	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON
Science	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON
Language	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON
ESL	ST	ST	ST	ST
Arts	ST	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON

HONORS COURSES

Taken only with the permission of the department chair and/or the completion of a qualifying exam.

Arts: Honors Dance I, Honors Dance II, Honors Digital Media I, Honors Digital Media II, Honors Lawrence Academy Singers, Honors Performance Studies, Honors Theater Ensemble, Honors Visual Art I, Honors Visual Art II,

English: Honors English Composition, Honors Writing, Honors Literature

History: Honors U.S. History, Honors Senior History, Honors Terrorism, Extremism and Radicalism

Language: Honors French III, Honors French IV, Honors French V, Honors Latin III, Honors Latin IV, Honors Spanish III, Honors Spanish IV, Honors Spanish V, Honors Spanish VI, Honors Chinese III, Honors Chinese IV

Mathematics: Honors Integrated Algebra and Geometry II, Honors Algebra II, Honors Precalculus, Honors Calculus, Honors Computer Science, Honors Statistics, Honors Advanced Math Topics

Science: Honors Chemistry, Honors Biology, Honors Marine Science, Honors Physics, Honors Environmental Science, Honors Anatomy and Physiology

NUMERICAL EQUIVALENTS USED FOR AVERAGING

A	4.0	B+	3.33	C+	2.33	D+	1.33	F	0.0
A-	3.67	B	3.0	C	2.0	D	1.0		
		B-	2.67	C-	1.67	D-	0.67		

SAT SCORES: MIDDLE 50 PERCENT

	Class of 2021
Evidence Based Reading and Writing	530-640
Mathematics	500-650

ACT COMPOSITE SCORES: MIDDLE 50 PERCENT

	Class of 2021
Composite	21-27

Grade Distribution Class of 2021	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
English												
English Composition	7	16	27	21	10	5	1	1	0	0	0	1
Honors English Composition	17	11	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior English Seminar: Children's Literature	1	2	7	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
History												
U.S. History	6	15	20	12	5	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Honors U.S. History	9	24	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Human Geography	7	6	2	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
ESL Intermediate Sociocultural Studies	0	0	2	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Senior History: Of Nukes and Commies	12	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gender in America	3	11	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
History and Film: The World in Crisis 1914-1991	4	7	8	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Language												
ESL Intermediate Literature	0	0	4	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
ESL Intermediate Skills	0	0	2	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
French 1	2	3	3	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
French 2	5	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French 3	1	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
French 4	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Honors French 3	3	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors French 4	6	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latin I	3	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Latin II	7	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Latin III	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latin III	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 1	9	15	5	4	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 2	16	10	8	8	8	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
Spanish 3	5	18	7	14	5	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Spanish 4	7	7	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 5	0	5	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Spanish 5	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Spanish 3	3	8	7	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Spanish 4	23	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chinese 1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chinese 2	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Chinese 3	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Chinese 4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mathematics												
Honors Computer Science	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Computer Science 1: Programming	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Computer Science 2: Advanced Programming	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Computer Science 3: Advanced Object-Oriented Prog	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Integrated Algebra and Geometry II	26	9	10	6	8	2	4	1	0	0	0	0
Algebra II and Trigonometry	23	20	17	22	8	5	4	4	1	1	2	0
Precalculus	24	14	16	13	9	8	2	1	0	0	0	0
Honors Precalculus	7	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Statistics	3	1	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quantitative Analysis	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calculus	2	3	1	3	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Honors Calculus	3	1	3	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Science												
Biology	7	16	5	13	7	4	3	2	0	1	0	0
Honors Biology	6	8	7	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chemistry	27	9	9	16	13	2	8	1	0	0	0	1
Honors Chemistry	5	6	5	7	5	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Anatomy	6	8	9	7	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	0
Advanced Physics	3	3	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Honors Physics	7	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marine Science	6	7	8	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental Science	1	6	7	11	5	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
Honors Environmental Science	3	7	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Marine Science	1	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arts	178	95	47	26	8	1	2	1	0	0	0	5

Colleges Attending – Lawrence Academy Graduates 2018-2021

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American University (2)
Arizona State University
Assumption University
Auburn University
Babson College (4)
Bard College (2)
Barnard College
Bates College (5)
Baylor University
Bentley University (6)
Boston College (9)
Boston University (15)
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University (4)
Bryant University (2)
Bucknell University (2)
Carleton College
Case Western Reserve University (2)
Central Connecticut State University (2)
Champlain College
Clark University
Clarkson University
Coastal Carolina University
Colby College (4)
Colgate University
College of the Holy Cross (5)
Colorado College
Connecticut College (11)
Dartmouth College
Denison University (5)
Dickinson College (4)
Elon University (10)
Emory University (2)
Endicott College (5)
Fairfield University (5)
Fashion Institute of Technology
Fordham University (6)
Franklin & Marshall College
Franklin Pierce University
George Washington University (3)
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology (2)
Gettysburg College
Grinnell College
Hamilton College
High Point University (2)
Hobart and William Smith Colleges (9)
Hofstra University
Indiana University
Ithaca College

Keene State College
Kenyon College (2)
Lafayette College (3)
Lake Forest College
Lasell University
Lebanon Valley College
Lehigh University (2)
Lesley University
Loyola Marymount University (2)
Loyola University Maryland
Lynn University (2)
Marist College
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Merrimack College (4)
Messiah University
Miami University
Michigan State University
Middlebury College (3)
Millersville University of Pennsylvania
Montana State University
Muhlenberg College
New York University (4)
Northeastern University (8)
Norwich University
Oxford College of Emory University
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University (4)
Pitzer College (2)
Providence College (5)
Quinnipiac University
Rhode Island School of Design
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University (2)
Rutgers University, New Brunswick
SUNY at Albany
SUNY at New Paltz
Sacred Heart University (8)
Saint Anselm College (5)
Saint Michael's College (2)
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University
School of Visual Arts
Simmons University
Skidmore College (6)
Smith College
St. Lawrence University
St. Olaf College
Stanford University
Stetson University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stonehill College
Stony Brook University

Swarthmore College
Syracuse University (5)
Temple University (2)
Texas Christian University
The New England Conservatory of Music
The New School (2)
University of Alabama
University of Tampa (4)
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
The University of Texas at Austin
Trinity College (3)
Tufts University (5)
Tulane University (4)
Union College (3)
United States Military Academy
University of Arizona
University of California, Berkeley (2)
University of California, Davis
University of California, San Diego
University of Colorado Boulder (5)
University of Connecticut
University of Denver (5)
University of Guelph
University of Hartford (2)
University of Maine (2)
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Massachusetts, Amherst (5)
University of Massachusetts, Lowell (6)
University of Miami (3)
University of Michigan (2)
University of Mississippi
University of New England
University of New Hampshire (4)
University of North Carolina at Asheville
University of Rhode Island
University of South Carolina
University of St Andrews
University of Toronto
University of Vermont (4)
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin, Madison (3)
Ursinus College
Vassar College
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University (2)
Wentworth Institute of Technology (3)
Wesleyan University (4)
Wheaton College
Wilkes University
Wittenberg University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (3)