



HORACE MANN

SCHOOL PROFILE 2021–22

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Horace Mann School was founded in 1887 as a coeducational division of Teachers College at Columbia University. Our main campus is located in the Bronx neighborhood of Riverdale, which is 30 minutes by subway from midtown Manhattan. As an independent school, Horace Mann has changed in many ways but remains steadfastly dedicated to five core values: The Life of the Mind, Mature Behavior, Mutual Respect, A Secure and Healthful Environment, and A Balance Between Individual Achievement and A Caring Community.

STUDENTS:

- Highly selective admissions
- 735 students in the Upper Division
- 50% girls, 50% boys
- 46% Students of Color
- From 150 different ZIP codes in the NY, NJ and CT region
- 15% on need-based financial aid

FACULTY & ADMINISTRATION:

- 127 teaching faculty & administration
- 63 with advanced degrees (up to M.A.)
- 35 with doctorates
- Average class size: 13

ACADEMIC PROGRAM AND DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS:

- Semester System
- Students limited to five full credit courses per year
- Students generally limited to three 400-level courses per year
- To enroll in a 400-level course, departmental approval and strong academic standing are required
- 49 400-level courses and 11 Honors courses
- 400-level courses do not correspond to an AP Exam but are designed by Horace Mann faculty to be at least as rigorous as an AP course
- Independent Study Program granted upon departmental approval
- Governed by an honor code
- Study abroad opportunities
- Each year, students participate in service-learning. The requirement consists of a combination of school-sponsored events, grade-wide activities, projects, and reflection opportunities.

REQUIRED GRADUATION CREDITS:

English	4
Foreign Language	3
Mathematics	3
History	3
Science	2
Arts	2
Physical Education	4
Computing & Communications	½
Counseling & Guidance	½
Identity, Culture & Institutional Equity	½

TRANSCRIPT & PROGRAM RIGOR:

As a matter of school policy, students are not ranked, nor is a GPA calculated.

We consider the relative strength of a student's program across three dimensions: (1) the rigor of a student's coursework in each of the five core subject areas, (2) the number of courses taken in each core subject area, (3) the number of 400-level courses across all subject areas. The rigor of a student's program is described in the counselor letter of recommendation.

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COURSE NUMBERING:

200-level Foundational courses appropriate for all UD students

300-level Elective courses appropriate for all UD students who have taken the prerequisite foundational coursework, typically taken in 11th/12th grade

400-level Elective courses with substantial additional rigor; Students are generally limited to no more than 3 full-credit 400/400S level courses.

200H / 300H 400H-level Honors courses which typically move at a faster pace and cover additional material relative to equivalent non-Honors courses

300S / 400S-level Seminar-style courses which incorporate a significant amount of student-initiated and student-led work

GRADES—CLASS OF 2022

Although Horace Mann does not rank, we do publish a grade distribution based on full-credit courses taken from grades 9 through 11. The following table of statistics applies to the 180 members of the Class of 2022.

	Grade	% of the Class
4.3	A+	0
4.29–4.0	A	4
3.99–3.67	A-	38
3.66–3.33	B+	34
3.32–3.0	B	17
2.99–2.67	B-	5
2.66–2.33	C+	2
2.32–2.00	C	0
1.9–1.0	C-	0
	D	0
	F	0

STANDARDIZED TESTING:

SAT Summary—Class of 2022

SECTION	MIDDLE 50% RANGE	MEAN
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	690–760	712
Math	690–780	722

ACT Summary—Class of 2022

SECTION	MIDDLE 50% RANGE	MEAN
English	31–35	33
Math	27–34	30
Reading	31–36	32
Science Reasoning	29–35	31
Composite	30–35	32

AVAILABLE COURSES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021–2022

	9th	10th	11th	12th
English	English 9	English 10	English 11	300 Level Senior Electives The New Community Project 400 Level Seminar in Literary Studies: Man's Search for Meaning through Literature and Film Seminar in Literary Studies: Critical Theories of Gender, Race, Sexuality, and Ability
History	Atlantic World History	United States History	One History Elective Global Environmental History* The Global Cold War* Vast Early American History* Contemporary U.S. History, 1945 to the present* Topics in Political Philosophy Religion in History History of the Silk Roads All 400 Level electives are only offered alternate years	Comparative Race and Ethnicity** East Asian History** United States Legal History** Voices of Protest: The Progressives to the Present** African American History African History Latin American History * Offered 2020–2021 ** Offered 2021–2022
Mathematics	Geometry and Problem Solving Geometry Geometry Honors	Algebra II & Trigonometry Algebra II & Trigonometry Honors	One Math Elective 300 Level Precalculus Precalculus AB Precalculus BC Honors Applied Calculus Senior Math Electives	400 Level Calculus with Theory Calculus with Theory Honors Statistics and Probability Math Seminar
Science	Biology	Chemistry Physics Through Inquiry	300 Level Physics Physics Honors One Science Elective 300 Level Biotechnology Human Anatomy and Physiology Experiments in Physics and Chemistry	400 Level Molecular Genetics, Cells and Physiology Molecular Genetics, Evolution and Ecology Organic Chemistry and its Application in Biochemistry Atomic Structure, Reactivity and Application of Chemistry Physics with Calculus Environmental Science Science Research 2
World Languages	Sequential study through at least the third level of full credit language offering available in Chinese, French, Japanese, Latin, and Spanish 200 Level 300 Level 400 Level Level 1, 2, 3, A, B, C Level 4, 5, D, E Studies, Seminars			
Counseling & Guidance	Horace Mann Orientation	300 Level Introduction to Psychology Ethics in School and Society 400 Level Studies in Psychology		
Independent Study	Electives		300 Level Independent Interdisciplinary Research Seminar	
Computer Science & Engineering	Electives		400 Level Art of Data Computer Science & Engineering Seminar	
Arts	Electives		400 Level Art History: What is a Masterpiece? Directed Study in Ceramics Directed Study in Drawing & Painting Directed Study in Photography Music Theory and Composition	

- 9th and 10th courses are all 200 Level -

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