



Friends' Central School

2022-2023 PROFILE FOR COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS

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Established in 1845 by the Religious Society of Friends, Friends' Central School is an independent, co-educational Quaker day school for grades nursery through 12. Total school enrollment is 817 students; 385 students are enrolled in the Upper School.

The campus is located just over Philadelphia's western border and draws students from the city and four surrounding counties. 40% of the student body self-identifies as students of color; 9% are Quaker. Need-based financial aid is granted to 42% of students. In the Class of 2022, 99% of graduates chose to attend a four-year college and 1% chose to take a gap year. NAIS accredited.

CURRICULAR and PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- All FCS courses are taught at the honors level. **Our Advanced courses equal or exceed the rigor of AP courses.**
- The English department does not offer an advanced track option. All students must complete the rigorous literature curriculum.
- **U.S. History Advanced** is a document-based course. Each student completes a capstone, ten-page, thesis-driven, primary source-based research project during the spring semester.
- **The standard course load is five major courses per year.**
- Friends' Central School **does not calculate a grade point average or class rank.** A junior year grade distribution is provided to assist colleges in assessing student academic performance.
- All students entering the Upper School as 9th graders complete a minimum of 115 hours of **community service** prior to graduation.
- **Discipline** at FCS is considered a part of the educational process and is normally an internal matter. However, conduct infractions by FCS students may have consequences beyond the confines of the School. Concerned about student behavior on their campuses, colleges may ask applicants about their high school disciplinary records. As their advocates, the college counselors will work closely with students in reporting disciplinary matters to colleges, as required.
- FCS is a member of the **Global Online Academy**. GOA offers online courses outside of the scope of the FCS curriculum. Students receive FCS credit upon completion of a GOA course.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM CURRICULUM

For a complete course listing and details, please see our Curriculum Planner at <https://bit.ly/FCS2022-2023>

ENGLISH 4 years required

English I*
English II*
English III,* English Seminar*
English IV,* Topics in English Lit.*
Writer's Workshop *Adv*
Studies in English Lit.

MATHEMATICS 3 years required

Algebra I
Algebra II, Algebra II *Adv*
Geometry, Geometry *Adv*
Precalculus, Precalculus *Adv*
Statistics, Statistics *Adv*
Calculus I, Calculus I *Adv*
Calculus II *Adv*
Linear Algebra *Adv*
Making Decisions: Intro to Economics

HISTORY 2 years required

U.S. History, U.S. History *Adv**
World History*
Contemporary Global History
Constitutional Identity *Adv*
Capitalism & Consumption
Creating Africa *Adv*
The Sociological Imagination
International Relations
Introduction to Philosophy
Modern Africa *Adv*
Modern Chinese History
Modern European History *Adv*
Women's History in the United States

SCIENCE 2 years required

Integrated Physics*
Astronomy
Atmospheric Science & Climate Change
Biology I, Biology I *Adv*
Biology II *Adv*: Biodiversity
Biology II *Adv*: Genetic Super Lab
Biology of Bodies
Botany
Chemistry I, Chemistry I *Adv*
Chemistry II *Adv*: Chem. Equilibrium
Chemistry II *Adv*: Chem. Kinetics & Electroch.
Experiential Physics
Physics II *Adv*
Physics III *Adv*: Electricity and Circuits
Physics III *Adv*: Magnetism, Waves & Optics

FOREIGN LANGUAGE 2 years required

French I, II, II *Adv*, III, III *Adv*
The Contemporary French Experience
Paris: Yesterday and Today (*Adv*)
Francophone Identities *Adv*
French Literature *Adv*: Poetry/Novels
French Literature *Adv*: Short Stories &/Theater
Latin II, II *Adv*, III, III *Adv*
Latin Literature *Adv*: Catullus & Ovid
Latin Literature *Adv*: Vergil
Spanish I, II, II *Adv*, III, III *Adv*, IV
The Contemporary Latino Experience
Spanish: History & Culture *Adv*
Spanish Literature *Adv*: Marquez, *et al*
Spanish Literature *Adv*: Borges, *et al*

* Asterisk = Required Course

FINE ARTS 4 semesters required

Partial list of arts electives -
Advanced Topics in Studio Art
Concepts in Visual Arts
The Contemporary Stage
Ensemble Building, Improvisation & Play Making
Foundations in 2D Art
Instrumental Ensemble Orchestra
Introduction to Drawing Studio Art
Introduction to Stage Acting
History of African American Music
Mixed Media: Appropriation & Reinvention
Mixed Media: Real World Connections
Music: Intro to Theory & Composition
Musical Theater
Photography
Shakespeare in Performance
Woodworking I, II

GENERAL ELECTIVES

Intro to Computer Science – Python Part I & II (2 semesters)
Advanced Python and Object Oriented Programming *Adv*
Sexuality & Society *Adv*

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Middle 50%

SAT Results

Class of 2022	EWR and M score average 1287
Class of 2021	statistically limited data due to test cancellations
Class of 2020	EWR 615-745 M 580-670
Class of 2019	EWR 640-730 M 550-710
Class of 2018	EWR 600-690 M 570-710

ACT Results

Class of 2022	average 33
Class of 2020	27-33
Class of 2019	26-32
Class of 2018	27-33

FRIENDS' CENTRAL SCHOOL – COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS 2018-2022

Albright College (2)	University of Denver	Middlebury College (4)	St. Lawrence University
Allegheny College	Dickinson College (9)	Misericordia University	St. Olaf College
Alvernia University	Drew University	Mississippi State University	Stanford University
American University (6)	Drexel University (14)	Monmouth University	Stevens Institute of Technology
Amherst College	Duquesne University	Morehouse College	Suffolk University
Arcadia University (2)	Elizabethtown College	Morgan State University (2)	Swarthmore College (2)
Auburn University	Elon University (2)	Mount Holyoke College (2)	University of Sydney
Babson College	Emerson College (2)	Muhlenberg College (2)	Syracuse University (5)
Bard College (2)	Emory University (2)	Neumann University	Temple University (6)
Barnard College (3)	Florida International University	New York University (11)	Temple University, Japan Campus
Bates College	University of Florida	Univ. of N. Carolina at Chapel Hill	The Boston Conservatory at Berklee
Bennington College	Franklin & Marshall College (9)	Univ. of N. Carolina Wilmington	The College of William & Mary (3)
Berklee College of Music	George Mason University	Northeastern University (6)	The Ohio State University
Boston College (5)	George Washington University (6)	Northwestern University	The University of Tampa (2)
Boston University (10)	Gettysburg College	Oberlin College (5)	The University of Texas at Austin
Brandeis University (2)	Hamilton College (3)	Occidental College	University of Toronto
Brown University (3)	Hampton University (4)	University of Oregon	Trinity College
Bryn Athyn College	Harvard University	Parsons School of Design (2)	Trinity College Dublin
Bryn Mawr College (5)	Harvey Mudd College	Penn State University (11)	Tufts University (4)
Bucknell University	Haverford College (5)	University of Pennsylvania (26)	Tulane University (5)
University of California Berkeley	High Point University	University of Pittsburgh (20)	Union College
University of California Davis (2)	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Pitzer College	United States Air Force Academy
University of California Irvine	Hofstra University (2)	Point Park University	Ursinus College (3)
Univ. of California Los Angeles (3)	Howard University (5)	Pomona College	Vanderbilt University (2)
Univ. of California San Diego (3)	Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (2)	Pratt Institute	Vassar College (4)
Carnegie Mellon University	Indiana University Bloomington (3)	Princeton University	University of Vermont (3)
Champlain College (2)	Ithaca College (2)	Reed College (2)	Villanova University (2)
University of Chicago (6)	Johns Hopkins University	Rice University (2)	Virginia State University
Claremont McKenna College	Juniata College (2)	University of Richmond	University of Virginia (2)
Clark Atlanta University	Lafayette College (4)	Roberts Wesleyan College	Wagner College
Clark University	Lehigh University (4)	Rochester Institute of Technology	Wake Forest University (3)
Colby College	Lewis & Clark College	University of Rochester (6)	Washington University in St. Louis (8)
Colgate University (2)	Lincoln University (2)	Saint Joseph's University (3)	University of Washington
University of Colorado Boulder	Loyola Marymount University (3)	San Diego State University (2)	Wellesley College (2)
College of Charleston	Loyola University Chicago	University of San Diego	Wesleyan University (5)
College of the Holy Cross	Macalester College (2)	University of San Francisco	West Chester Univ. of Pennsylvania (3)
Colorado College (2)	Marist College (2)	Sarah Lawrence College	Wheaton College
Colorado School of Mines	University of Mary Washington	Savannah College of Art & Design	Widener University
Columbia University	Maryland Institute College of Art	Scripps College	Williams College (2)
Comm. College of Beaver County	University of Maryland (5)	Skidmore College (5)	University of Wisconsin Madison (6)
Connecticut College	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Smith College (4)	Worcester Polytechnic Institute (2)
Cornell College	McDaniel College	Univ. of Southern California (2)	Xavier University of Louisiana (3)
Cornell University (6)	McGill University	Spelman College (2)	Yale University
CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Miami University OH	University of St Andrews (2)	York College Pennsylvania (3)
DeSales University	University of Miami (2)	St. John's College	University of York
University of Delaware (3)	University of Michigan (4)	St. John's University	