**DURHAM ACADEMY**
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**SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-2023**

CCEE 341-049

**UPPER SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE**
DA Upper School enrolls 457 students in grades 9 through 12. Average class size is 15 with a student-faculty ratio of 8:1.

**GRADING SYSTEM & GPA DISTRIBUTION**
Cumulative grade point averages are based on final grades earned in Durham Academy courses.

**GRADING SCALE**
Grades are based on a 100-point scale. GPAs are UNWEIGHTED and based on a 4.33 scale.

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<th>97-100</th>
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**ACADEMIC PROGRAM**
Students must earn departmental approval to enroll in Honors, AP courses and post-AP courses and are limited to four (4) Honors, AP and Post-AP courses in one year. Students must seek permission from the Academic Committee to enroll in five advanced courses; no student is permitted to take more than five advanced courses in one year.

Advanced course offerings are detailed below.

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<th>SUBJECT</th>
<th>HONORS COURSES</th>
<th>AP COURSES</th>
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<tr>
<td>English*</td>
<td>English 11</td>
<td>English Language, English Literature</td>
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<tr>
<td>History*</td>
<td>Precalculus</td>
<td>Calculus AB, Calculus C**, Calculus BC, Statistics</td>
<td>Multivariable Calculus**, Geometries &amp; Topologies**</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>Chemistry</td>
<td>Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics</td>
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<td>Fine Arts</td>
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<td>Music Theory, Portfolio Art</td>
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<td>Technology</td>
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<td>Computer Science</td>
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<td>Interdisciplinary</td>
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<td>Psychology, Seminar</td>
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*English 12 and upper-level history electives are designed by semester. Some of the offerings include: English 12: Literature of War, Hero to Anti-Hero, Shakespeare, Historical Fiction; History: Crimes & Punishments, Modern Global Issues, Introduction to Economics. There is little difference in rigor among English 12 and AP English 12 offerings; the latter include instruction on the essay format of the AP English Literature exam.*

**Students who complete AP Calculus AB may enroll in Calculus C and are prepared to take the AP Calculus BC exam. Post-AP math courses rotate by year.**

**Beginning in 2019–2020, Durham Academy’s World Languages Department adopted recommendations from the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) and transitioned to language course placement based on proficiency skills rather than number of years studied. For more information, visit www.actfl.org.**

**AP Latin: Vergil and Advanced Latin Lyric Poetry/Literature rotate by year.**

Courses in the Modern (spoken) World Languages have been renamed to reflect these proficiency levels:

**Level 1 = Novice**
**Level 2 = Novice High**
**Level 3 = Intermediate**
**Level 4 = Intermediate Mid**

Advanced Placement courses are offered in Chinese, French, Latin and Spanish.

**UNIQUE ACADEMIC OFFERINGS**

Peer Educators: Eight seniors are selected from over three-dozen applicants to co-teach the Life Skills course to ninth-graders. Peer Educators sign a contract agreeing to serve as role models for their younger peers, both on and off campus.

Teaching Literacy Skills: For credit, students travel to a neighboring elementary school, 4 class periods out of the 7-day rotation, to tutor students identified as reading well below grade level.
College Matriculation Classes of 2018–2022

Durham Academy graduates have attended 139 different colleges and universities since 2018.

American University (4)
Amherst College (2)
Appalachian State University (4)
Arizona State University
Babson College
Barnard College (3)
Bates College
Boston College (4)
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University (3)
Brown University (11)
Bryn Mawr College (2)
Butler University
Carleton College (4)
Carnegie Mellon University
Carroll College
Case Western Reserve University (8)
Catholic University of America
Chapman University
Claremont McKenna College
Clemson University (3)
Colgate University
Colorado College (3)
Cornell University (3)
Dartmouth College (6)
Davidson College (13)
Dickinson College (2)
Drew University
Duke University (48)
East Carolina University (3)
Elon University (21)
Emory-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emory University (6)
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida International University
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
Furman University (4)
George Washington University (2)
Georgetown University (5)
Georgia Institute of Technology (5)
Gettysburg College (2)
Grinnell College
Hampden-Sydney College
Harvard University
Haverford College (3)
High Point University (6)
Hillsdale College
Hollins University
Johns Hopkins University
Kenyon College (3)
Landmark College
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Middlebury College (6)
Morehouse College
New York University (5)
North Carolina State University (12)
Northeastern University (6)
Northwestern University (3)
Occidental College
Ohio Wesleyan University
Olin College of Engineering
Parsons School of Design at The New School (2)
Penn State University (University Park) (2)
Princeton University (6)
Purdue University (Main Campus) (6)
Queens University of Charlotte
Reed College
Rhode Island School of Design
Rice University
Roanoke College (2)
Santa Clara University (2)
Savannah College of Art and Design
Seattle University
Sewanee: The University of the South
Skidmore College
Smith College
Southern Methodist University
Spelman College
Stanford University (5)
Stevens Institute of Technology
Swarthmore College
Sweet Briar College
Syracuse University (3)
The American University of Paris
The College of William and Mary (3)
The New School (2)
The Ohio State University
The University of Tennessee (Knoxville)
The University of Texas at Austin (3)
Tufts University (4)
Tulane University of Louisiana
University of California (Santa Barbara)
University of Chicago (12)
University of Colorado Boulder (4)
University of Georgia
University of Louisiana
University of Maryland (College Park) (2)
University of Miami (4)
University of Michigan (8)
University of Nevada (Las Vegas)
University of North Carolina at Asheveille (2)
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (70)
University of North Carolina at Charlotte (4)
University of North Carolina at Greensboro (6)
University of North Carolina School of the Arts
University of North Carolina Wilmington (4)
University of North Florida
University of Notre Dame (5)
University of Oklahoma
University of Pennsylvania (4)
University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh) (3)
University of Redlands
University of Richmond (3)
University of South Carolina (5)
University of Southern California (11)
University of St Andrews
University of Tokyo
University of Vermont (2)
University of Virginia (Main Campus) (6)
University of Wisconsin (Madison)
Vanderbilt University (4)
Vassar College (2)
Villanova University (4)
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (4)
Wake Forest University (21)
Washington University in St. Louis (5)
Wellesley College (2)
Williams College
Wofford College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (2)
Xavier University
Yale University (4)

COVID-19 UPDATE

Due to COVID-19 Global Pandemic, DA shifted to virtual learning from March–June 2020; operated in a hybrid (virtual/in-person) model in the 2020–2021 school year. Student class time remained equivalent to in-person instruction. We were still able to evaluate students and offer end-of-year grades.