Signature Programs

Lead Onward Program

Comprised of a series of eight required trimester-length courses, this program asks students to grapple with the challenges we must overcome to create a more just world. Through their coursework, underclassmen consider the values that define their generation and how systems and belief structures impact progress. Juniors further develop the research and listening skills needed to weigh a single complex topic such as gun violence or the national reckoning around monuments. Through their work, they learn to consider a range of differing opinions and search for nuanced answers that include others, even those who disagree with them. Having completed this work, seniors then spend two trimesters learning how to facilitate inclusive discussions before leading hour-long, seminar-style sessions around an issue of social justice. All upper school students participate in these seminars, and seniors guide the conversation, enforce interaction norms, and resolve conflicts.

Rocks, Roots, and Wings Trips

All upper school students begin each year by going on grade-level outdoor education trips that take them beyond the boundaries of campus to places of historical, natural, and cultural significance. Pushed out of their comfort zones by design, students test their limits and discover their second winds, and at the end of these trips, they find that their self-confidence, willingness to take initiative, team work, and maturity are significantly enhanced. Activities include whitewater rafting, canoeing, environmental education, hiking, cycling, ropes courses, team building exercises, and community service.

School Family

While many schools try to minimize interactions between their oldest and youngest community members, Doane consciously creates consistent opportunities for students to interact across all grade levels in a safe and caring environment. All upper school students participate in these seminars, and seniors guide the conversation, enforce interaction norms, and resolve conflicts.

The Arts

Because of the powerful ways in which the arts unlock creativity and build resilience, Doane places them equal to other academic courses and allows students to pursue multiple courses of artistic study. Students can choose to take an Arts Major course and an Arts Minor course. Courses designated as Major (1 credit) meet five times every ten days, and courses designated as Minor (.5 credit) meet four times every ten days. Standout programs include our band, in which 25% of upper school students typically participate, and our partnership with Studio Incamminati, a Philadelphia-based School for Contemporary Realist Art founded by Nelson Shanks for the training of professional artists.

Our Mission

Doane Academy, an independent Episcopal day school, prekindergarten through 12th grade, provides an exceptional college preparatory program while cultivating character development and nurturing the emotional maturity essential in preparing students for life. We develop intelligent, capable individuals within a community where all are known, loved, and strongly encouraged to discover their unique potential.

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History

- Founded in 1837 as one of the first rigorous academic institutions for women in this country.
- Located in the historic City of Burlington, the campus includes three buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Evolved, beginning in 1965, from a girls’ boarding high school into a co-educational primary through twelfth grade day school.

Accreditation and Memberships

- Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
- New Jersey Association of Independent Schools
- National Association of Independent Schools
- Association of Delaware Valley Independent Schools

Student Enrollment:
- 243 students; 101 in grades 9–12
- 26 seniors
- Student to teacher ratio: 7:1
- Average Upper School class size: 12
- 83% of Upper School faculty hold advanced degrees
- $1,247,197 of financial assistance awarded to 51% of students
- Every year, virtually 100% of graduates attend 4-year colleges

Honors Courses (11)

- Engineering Mechanics
- Algebra I
- Algebra II
- Biology
- Calculus I
- Chemistry
- English 10
- English 9
- Geometry
- Pre-Calculus
- Spanish V

Advanced Placement Courses (18):

- Art (Drawing, 3d Portfolio)
- Biology
- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- Comparative Government
- Computer Science A — Independent Study*
- Computer Science Principles
- Environmental Science
- European History
- Language and Composition
- Latin
- Literature
- Psychology
- Spanish Language and Culture
- Spanish Literature
- United States Government and Politics
- US History

Additional Course:

- Multivariable Calculus*

*These courses are offered through One Schoolhouse in 2021–2022.

Standardized Testing

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Diversity

Percentage of Upper School who are students of color: 50%

Cumulative GPA Distribution

Doane Academy does not rank students. The school uses a weighted GPA, where an Honors credit gets an additional 0.5 weight and an AP credit gets an additional 1.0 weight.
Colleges and Universities accepting Doane Academy students in recent years.

Albright College
Allegheny College
American University
Arcadia University
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Bard College
Baylor University
Binghamton University
Boston College
Boston University
Brandeis University
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
Cabrini University
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve
Catholic University of America
Chestnut Hill College
Clark University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Colgate University
College of Charleston
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Delaware State University
Denison University
DePaul University
Depauw University
Dickinson College
Drew University
Drexel University
Elizabethtown College
Elon University
Embry Riddle University
Emerson College
Fairfield University
Fashion Institute of Technology
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
Furman University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Goucher College
Hamilton College
Hampton University
Haverford College
High Point University
Hobart & William Smith College
Hofstra University
Howard University
Immaculata University
Indiana University
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Johnson & Wales University
Juniata College
Kean University
Kenyon College
Kutztown University
Lafayette College
LaSalle University
Lehigh University
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University of Maryland
Marist College
Marshall University
Marymount University
Merrimack College
Miami University
Michigan State University
Middlebury College
Monmouth University
Moravian College
Morehouse College
Morgan State University
Mount Holyoke College
Muhlenberg College
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New York University
Norfolk State University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Ohio University
Pace University
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts
Pennsylvania College of Art & Design
Pennsylvania State University
Pepperdine University
Pitzer College
Princeton University
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
Rider University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University
Rowan University
Rutgers University
Saint Joseph’s University
Saint Louis University
Sarah Lawrence College
Seton Hall University
Shippensburg University
Skidmore College
Smith College
Southern Methodist University
Spelman University
St. John’s University
Stetson University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stockton University
Stonehill College
Stony Brook University
Susquehanna University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
Temple University
The Citadel
The College of New Jersey
The Ohio State University
Trinity College
Tyler School of Art/
Union College
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of California Berkeley
University of California Davis
University of California Irvine
University of California Riverside
University of California San Diego
University of California Santa Barbara
University of California Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Hartford
University of Iowa
University of Maine
University of Maryland
University of Mass at Amherst
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
University of the Sciences
University of South Carolina
University of Tennessee
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
Ursinus College
U. S. Air Force Academy
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Polytech Institute & State University
Wake Forest University
Washington College
Wellesley College
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