

# 2023-24 PROFILE

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### **Our Mission**

Moses Brown, a Friends school, exists to inspire the inner promise of each student and instill the utmost care for learning, people and place. Founded in 1784, Moses Brown is an independent, coed, Quaker day school serving students in nursery through twelfth grade.

Located on the East Side of Providence near Brown University, we are fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Our school is committed to promoting academic excellence and service to others within the framework of a rigorous curriculum and a broad offering of arts and athletics.

# Our Philosophy

Consistent with our Quaker school philosophy, the College Counseling Office seeks to nurture the Inner Light of students through the college process. We encourage young people to reflect deeply about their values and priorities as well as their talents and gifts in order to identify institutions that best match their personal, educational and professional goals. Whether our students choose to enroll in one of the nation's leading liberal arts colleges, public flagship institutions or premier research universities, they are well prepared to let their lives speak as they lead in the 21st century. The college options for Moses Brown graduates are as broad and diverse as our students' talents and interests.

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# Disciplinary Policy

Moses Brown applicants respond honestly and fully to questions regarding disciplinary incidents.

### Enrollment

427 students in Upper School. 110 students in Grade 12. 41% of Upper School students receive Financial Assistance.

### Grade System & Ranking Policy

### GRADING SCALE

A + = 4.3

A = 4.0

A - = 3.7

B + = 3.3

B = 3.0

B - = 2.7

C + = 2.3

C = 2.0

C - = 1.7

D + = 1.3

D = 1.0

D - = 0.7

E = Below 60

\* Passing grade is a D- or above.

**GPA** | The Moses Brown Grade Point Average (GPA) is cumulative and weighted. All credit-earning courses taken at Moses Brown in grades 9-12 are included in the GPA. The GPA is calculated on semester grades only, and Honors and AP courses receive an additional .3 weight.

Highest Weighted GPA | 4.47 Mean Weighted GPA | 3.75

Moses Brown's grading system remained consistent across the learning model adaptations necessitated by COVID-19. Moses Brown's grading system and GPA calculation did not change during these transitions.

## Pedagogy & Curriculum

In addition to foundational content knowledge, Moses Brown's curriculum fosters creative problem-solving (by means of Project-Based Learning), global awareness (by means of travel and immersion experiences), and ethical leadership (by means of service and related initiatives).

THE DAILY SCHEDULE | The weekly Upper School schedule is a rotation of seven class periods of 60 minutes in length, with each class meeting at least three times per week. There is time each day for small-group academic advisory and faculty office hours, and time each week for larger group meetings, including the Quaker tradition of Meeting For Worship.

IMMERSION | Each spring, all Upper School students embark upon a week of small-group exploration, research, and collaboration through hands-on courses in various topics. The Immersion experience deepens our school's commitment to intellectual inquiry, self-discovery, and partnership with the broader Providence community, allowing students and faculty to engage with interests that fall outside our standard curriculum.

**SENIOR PROJECTS** | A requirement of graduation, the senior project gives 12th graders the chance to pursue a new or existing endeavor in greater depth, and to connect their learning to the larger community. Students choose a subject of interest, design and implement their project activities and goals, and prepare a presentation for review by a panel of faculty and students.

**DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION |** The Quaker tenet that every human being possesses a unique Inner Light reflecting dignity and worth gives charge to diversity, equity and inclusion efforts throughout the school. Our curriculum fosters self-awareness, an actively ethical mindset, a respect for difference, and a willingness to confront injustice in the world. These topics are regularly discussed in the classroom as well as other spaces for students such as summer reading discussions and affinity groups.

# **Curriculum Information**

All Moses Brown courses are college preparatory in nature. Some courses are offered at the Honors or Advanced Placement (AP) level. AP courses are our most rigorous courses and are available primarily to seniors. Moses Brown offers 18 AP courses and 21 Honors courses during the 2023-24 School Year. Honors and AP courses are not equally available in all subject areas. Teacher

recommendation and departmental approval are required for AP and Honors enrollment. Many semester-long courses use college texts and are taught in the style of a college seminar. In addition to credit requirements in core academic subject areas, a one-credit Religious Studies Course and two credits in the Visual or Performing Arts are required for graduation.

# 2023-2024 Course Offerings

	ENGLISH	MATH	SCIENCE	COMPUTER SCIENCE	HUMANITIES	WORLD LANGUAGES	VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS
COLLEGE PREP	English 1, 2, 3 English Semester Courses	Accelerated Algebra 2 Accelerated Calculus Accelerated Geometry Accelerated Precalculus Algebra 1, 2 Geometry Statistics in Action Precalculus Mathematics Semester Courses	Biology Chemistry Physics Physics 9 Science Semester Courses	Computer Science Semester Courses	Modern World History Religious Studies US History Humanities Semester Courses	French 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Latin 2, 3, 4 Mandarin 1, 2, 3, 4 Seminar in Italian Language & Culture Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Chorus String Orchestra String Orchestra with Chamber Music The Pianist As Accompanist Wind Ensemble Arts Semester Courses
HONORS	English 3	Algebra 2 Geometry Linear Algebra/ Differential Equations* Multivariable Calculus* Precalculus	Biology Chemistry Physics		US History	French 2, 3, 4 Latin 2, 3, 5 Mandarin 2, 3, 4 Spanish 2, 3, 4	
AP	English Literature	Calculus AB Calculus BC Statistics	Biology Chemistry Environmental Science Physics C	Computer Science Principles Computer Science Programming	Art History Comparative Government & Politics Psychology	French Language & Culture Latin Spanish Language & Culture	2D Art & Design Music Theory*

\*Offered every other year

# College Matriculations

Three year matriculation list (Classes of 2021, 2022, 2023). 100% of graduating seniors plan to attend a 4-year college.

American University Babson College Barnard College Bates College Bentley University Berklee College of Music Boston College Boston University Bowdoin College Bowling Green State University Brandeis University Brown University Bryant University Cal Poly Carnegie Mellon University Chapman University Claremont McKenna College Clark University Clemson University Coastal Carolina University Colby College Colgate University College of the Holy Cross Colorado State University Columbia University Connecticut College Cornell University Dickinson College Drew University Drexel University Eastern Michigan University Elon University

Emerson College

**Emory University** Endicott College Fairfield University Fordham University Franklin W Olin College of Engineering Furman University Georgetown University Gettysburg College Hamilton College Harvard University Haverford College Hobart William Smith Colleges Howard University Ithaca College La Sierra University Lafayette College Lehigh University Loyola University New Orleans Macalester College Maine College of Art & Design Marist College Mount Holyoke College New York University North Carolina State University Northeastern University Northwestern University Oberlin College Ohio State University Ohio Weslevan University Pennsylvania State University Pitzer College Plymouth State University

Purdue University Queens University of Charlotte Quinnipiac University Reed College Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rochester Institute of Technology Roger Williams University Rollins College San Diego State University Sarah Lawrence College Savannah College of Art & Design Skidmore College Southern Methodist University Stonehill College Suffolk University Syracuse University The George Washington University The University of Alabama The University of Tampa Trinity College Tufts University Tulane University of Louisiana United States Naval Academy University College Dublin University of California-Berkeley University of California-Irvine University of California-Los Angeles University of California-San Diego University of Colorado Boulder University of Delaware University of Denver

Providence College

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign University of Maryland-College Park University of Massachusetts-University of Miami University of Michigan University of Notre Dame University of Pennsylvania University of Rhode Island University of Richmond University of Rochester University of San Francisco University of Southern California University of St Andrews University of Vermont University of Virginia University of Wisconsin-Madison Vanderbilt University Vassar College Villanova University Virginia Tech Wake Forest University Washington University in St Louis Wellesley College Wentworth Institute of Technology Wesleyan University Wheaton College (Massachusetts) Williams College Worcester Polytechnic Institute Yale University