Latin School of Chicago, founded in 1888, is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory school for students in junior kindergarten through grade twelve. The school is an urban campus located on the near-North Side of Chicago adjacent to the 1,212-acre Lincoln Park. The upper school is located on the southeast corner of Clark Street and North Avenue. Chicago’s rich cultural and intellectual resources are integrated throughout Latin’s curriculum, giving faculty and students numerous opportunities to take advantage of the school’s urban location.

**Student Body**
Latin enrolls a diverse community of more than 1,190 students from 45 Chicago neighborhoods and 15 surrounding suburbs. Our students are ambitious and talented; they think critically and are engaged in their learning. Latin’s upper school currently enrolls 513 students—39% of whom consider themselves students of color—who come from different ethnic, cultural, and socio-economic backgrounds and are nurtured in an environment that embraces their diversity. Latin awards more than $4.9 million annually in financial assistance to families with demonstrated need but provides no merit scholarships.

**Faculty**
Approximately 100 dedicated members comprise the Latin middle and upper school faculty. Our student/faculty ratio is 9:1, and 84 percent of our classroom teachers have earned master’s degrees or higher.

**Activities**
Students participate in more than 20 different competitive varsity and junior varsity sports teams and over 50 different clubs, organizations and affinity groups. Several theatrical performances are staged throughout the year, and our students enter a variety of local and national arts and academic competitions. Latin hosts a championship Scholastic Bowl team and a variety of nationally recognized publications and service organizations.

**Community Engagement**
Latin School of Chicago believes in sustained community engagement that is meaningful, immersive, and reciprocal. It approaches community engagement as a school-wide responsibility, where students engage meaningfully with their communities in a myriad of ways throughout their high school experience. Students can connect with a variety of agencies and organizations and embed service into their curricular and Project Week experiences (see “Curricular Highlights”). Post-COVID, Latin no longer requires service hours but does have an expectation that every student will volunteer 8 hours each high school year.

**Accreditation and Affiliation**
A member of College Board and the National Association of College Admission Counselors, Latin complies with the CEPP of NACAC as well as other professional ethical guidelines. Latin School is also a founding member of the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools. Latin is accredited by the Illinois State Board of Education, the Independent School Association of the Central States and is a member in good standing of the National Association of Independent Schools.

At Latin 100 percent of students are admitted to and choose to attend 4-year colleges and universities. Several students each year choose to defer enrollment to explore non-academic opportunities.

**Our Vision**
Our vision for educational excellence is to reinforce the value of an exemplary liberal arts education that makes learning inquiry-based, personal and inclusive. Our approach expands each Latin Learner’s capacity for purposeful learning—whether in our school, our city or our world.

**COVID Statement:**
Latin ceased on-campus instruction in March of 2020, but courses continued remotely for the remainder of the spring semester. The 2020-2021 school year was at times remote, at times hybrid and at times in person. Beginning in Fall 2021, we were completely in person.

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Curricular Highlights

Grading Policy
Latin School does not rank its students nor does it provide a cumulative GPA. At the conclusion of each school year, internal non-college GPAs are calculated for the purpose of faculty-selected honors societies and awards. In this calculation, all AP and honors courses are weighted more than college preparatory classes.

Honors
Latin is a member of the Cum Laude Society (students are eligible at the end of eleventh and twelfth grade); students may also be selected to the school’s unique Erasmus Society beginning their sophomore year, which rewards intellectual curiosity and a love of learning beyond a concern for achieving high grades. The majority of discipline-specific awards are granted at the end of the senior year.

*NOTE:* Latin students are generally limited to no more than three AP/honors courses in a given school year. Students must petition for approval to exceed this limit.

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### Grade Distribution
#### Class of 2024

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### Additional Opportunities:

#### Independent Study Projects
Students can work independently with a teacher to advance their interest and study in a variety of disciplines. These courses do not substitute for required classes.

#### Interdisciplinary Courses
Dance can count as either Performing Arts or PE.

#### Teaching Practica
In 2019, Latin unveiled an exciting new program. Students must submit proposals and are selected by the faculty to enroll in an individual teaching practicum. Selected students are paired with a mentor teacher in a subject they have previously mastered and are expected to assist with developing lesson plans, delivering appropriate content or serving as a mentor to learners in the class. Seniors attend class on a regular basis and serve as faculty assistants; they are not graded, but are awarded academic credit for their work and time.

### Senior Projects
This optional program encourages seniors to explore interests in and out of the classroom for several weeks at the end of the school year. At their culmination, all senior projects are publicly presented.

### Global Online Academy (GOA)
Latin is a member of the Global Online Academy, a consortium of the world’s leading independent schools whose mission is to translate into online classrooms the intellectually rigorous programs and excellent teaching that are hallmarks of its member schools. Courses and descriptions can be found at: globalonlineacademy.org. “GOA” classes will have this designation on their transcripts.

### Also Required:
- Physical Education – One credit is earned through the required Wellness class that is taken during 9th grade. The other one credit must be earned during grades 10, 11, or 12 by taking PE classes, playing on Latin Athletics teams, and/or by participating in a consistent and rigorous athletic pursuit outside of school (an Independent Study or “ISP”).
- Project Week – successful completion of a project required each year.

### Project Week
During March, all upper school students participate in hands-on learning experiences around the globe, throughout the U.S. and in Chicago. Students are required to participate each year and expenses are subsidized for those who qualify.

Project week in 2021 was canceled due to COVID; 2022 included domestic and local project weeks only.

Latin reports to colleges any disciplinary infraction that results in an out-of-school suspension or removal from the school. We also encourage all students to disclose information regarding any leave of absence or minor infraction.
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- Allegheny College
- American University
- Amherst College
- Antioch College
- Arizona State University
- Babson College
- Baldwin Wallace University
- Bard College
- Barnard College
- Bates College
- Baylor University
- Belmont University
- Beloit College
- Bentley University
- Berklee College of Music
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Bowdoin College
- Bradley University
- Brandeis University
- Brown University
- Bryn Mawr College
- Bucknell University
- Butler University
- California Institute of Technology
- California Lutheran University
- California Polytechnic State University
- San Luis Obispo
- California State University, Northridge
- Carleton College
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Carthage College
- Case Western Reserve University
- Chapman University
- Claremont McKenna College
- Clark Atlanta University
- Clark University
- Clarkson University
- Clemson University
- Cleveland Institute of Music
- Colby College
- Colgate University
- College of Charleston
- College of the Atlantic
- College of William & Mary
- Colorado College
- Colorado School of Mines
- Colorado State University-Fort Collins
- Columbia College Chicago
- Columbia University
- Connecticut College
- Cornell College
- Cornell University
- Creighton University
- Dartmouth College
- Davidson College
- Denison University
- DePaul University
- DePauw University
- Dickinson College
- Dominican University
- Drake University
- Drew University
- Drexel University
- Duke Kunshan University
- Duke University
- Eastern Illinois University
- Eastman College of Music
- Eckerd College
- Elon University
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott
- Emerson College
- Emory University
- Emory University-Oxford College
- Eugene Lang College of Liberal Arts
- Fairfield University
- Flagler College–St Augustine Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University
- Florida Atlantic University
- Florida Institute of Technology
- Fordham University
- Franklin and Marshall College
- Furman University
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Georgia Institute of Technology–Main Campus
- Georgia State University
- Gettysburg College
- Goldsmiths, University of London
- Gonzaga University
- Goucher College
- Grinnell College
- Gustavus Adolphus College
- Hamilton College
- Hampton University
- Harvard University
- Harvey Mudd College
- Hastings College
- Haverford College
- Hawaii Pacific University
- Hobart William Smith Colleges
- Hofstra University
- Hope College
- Howard University
- Illinois Institute of Technology
- Illinois State University
- Indiana University at Bloomington
- Iowa State University
- Jacksonville University
- Johns Hopkins University
- Johnson & Wales University–Providence
- Juniata College
- Kalamazoo College
- Kenyon College
- Knox College
- Lafayette College
- Lake Forest College
- Lawrence University
- Lehigh University
- Lewis & Clark College
- Lewis University
- Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Loyola University New Orleans
- Lynchburg College
- Macalester College
- Marist College
- Marquette University
- Marymount Manhattan College
- McGill University
- Merrimack College
- Miami University-Oxford
- Michigan State University
- Middle Tennessee State University
- Middlebury College
- Milikin University
- Milwaukee School of Engineering
- Montana State University
- Morehouse College
- Mount Holyoke College
- Muhlenberg College
- New York University
- North Carolina A & T State University
- Northeastern University
- Northern Illinois University
- Northwestern University
- Nova Southeastern University
- Oberlin College/Conservatory of Music
- Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences
- Occidental College
- Ohio State University–Main Campus
- Ohio Wesleyan University
- Oregon State University
- Pace University
- Parkland College
- Pennsylvania State University–Main Campus
- Pepperdine University
- Pitzer College
- Pomona College
- Prairie View A & M University
- Princeton University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Reed College
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rice University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Roger Williams University
- Rollins College
- Rose–Hulman Institute of Technology
- Rutgers University–New Brunswick
- Saint Louis University
- Saint Mary’s College
- Saint Xavier University
- San Diego State University
- San Jose State University
- Santa Clara University
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- Scripps College
- Skidmore College
- Smith College
- SOAS University of London
- Southern Illinois University–Carbondale
- Southern Methodist University
- Spelman College
- St. John’s College
- St. Mary’s College of Maryland
- St. Olaf College
- Stanford University
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Stonehill College
- Swarthmore College
- Syracuse University
- Temple University
- Tennessee State University
- Texas A & M University–College Station
- Texas Christian University
- The Catholic University of America
- The College of Wooster
- The New England Conservatory of Music
- The New School
- The University of Tampa
- The University of Tennessee–Knoxville
- The University of Texas at Austin
- The University of Texas, Dallas
- The University of the South
- Towson University
- Trinity College
- Trinity College Dublin
- Trinity University
- Tufts University
- Tulane University
- Union College
- United States Air Force Academy
- United States Coast Guard Academy
- United States Military Academy–Army
- United States Naval Academy
- University College Dublin
- University of Arizona
- University of California–Berkeley
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