



MISSION STATEMENT

Seattle Academy is a dynamic community that challenges students to question, imagine, and create in order to contribute boldly to a changing world.

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COLLEGE REP VISIT INFORMATION

Please consult:

<https://bit.ly/SeattleAcademyForColleges>

*COLLEGE REPS scheduled in advance should please check-in at:
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ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS

NAIS, NWAIS, NACAC, PNACAC, ACCIS

OVERVIEW

Founded in 1983, Seattle Academy's lively campus is composed of eight buildings in Seattle's heart. This independent school's dynamic city setting requires students' physical and personal independence. Our location on Capitol Hill, site of civic engagement, is a catalyst for conversation and action.

CURRICULUM AND PHILOSOPHY

Seattle Academy's preparation of students for college and life means our academics pair traditional areas of study with innovative curriculum, projects, and performances. Across classrooms, labs and stages, students take an inquiry-based approach to learning, allowing questions to drive both teacher-led and student-led investigations.

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS, STATE & NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Our state-of-the-art robotics lab and maker spaces intersect with extensive visual and performing arts resources and propel students to national recognition in everything from robotics to photography to rhetoric. Students enjoy a wide array of science electives and activities from entomology to underwater robotics.

Our Options Program allows students with unique learning needs to enroll in core academic subjects and the arts with individualized curriculum, instruction, and pacing in a small group setting. Our unique no-cut athletic policy has yielded boys' and girls' State-level berths and championships. For the first time in school history, all ten varsity sports recently competed in postseason play. In 2023, Seattle Academy won the Scholastic Cup as Washington State's top 1A school in academics, athletics and sportsmanship.

SENIOR PROJECT

12th graders arrange and fulfill senior projects, substantive college-level internships that yield solutions to problems faced by organizations and companies. Recently, senior projects occurred everywhere from the Center for Infectious Disease Research to the Seattle Seahawks. Historically, 95% of internship sites have given high marks to interns' quality of work and reaction to failure. **Transcript note:** In Spring of 2023, students will choose from a senior project, continuing in classes or fulfilling community service hours. 12th grade third trimester will look different for each of our students.

COMMUNITY

6-12 enrollment: **1171**

of zip codes represented: **67**

of languages spoken at home: **43**

6-12 percentage of students of color including students who identify as multiracial: **43%**

Class of 2024 enrollment: **174**

Student-to-faculty ratio: **8:1**

Average upper school class size: **18-20**

Students awarded financial aid or scholarship: **23%**

Seattle Academy's commitment to diversity includes support for talented students who may learn differently.

COVID-19 AND TESTING UPDATE

As Seattle was among the first U.S. cities with positive COVID-19 cases, followed by a swift and comprehensive lockdown, over the last few years very few of our students have had the opportunity to take standardized tests before they apply. Limitations on the SAT and ACT have continued into 2023. We have not offered regular SAT and ACT administrations on campus.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Seattle Academy has never had an AP curriculum. Instead, students seek challenge and exhilaration in our Honors courses and in our dynamic curriculum which includes graduation requirements across performing and visual arts areas and in computational thinking, entrepreneurship and design, and financial literacy. Our Honors courses are comparable to AP courses. Very few students choose to sit for AP exams.



HUMANITIES	31	ARTS	7
English	12	Distribution Areas	4
History / Social Studies	9 *	Required Electives	3
World Languages	9 *		
Rhetoric	1		
STEM	21	PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH	6
Math	9 *	Health	2
Science	9 *	PE	4 (pass grade only)
Math or Science	3		
GENERAL INNOVATIONS	3	ADDITIONAL CREDITS	13
Computational Thinking	1	<i>(Earned through a fourth year of core academic courses, general electives, and/or study skills)</i>	
Financial Literacy	1	TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED TO GRADUATE: 84	
Entrepreneurship & Design	1		
*MINIMUM REQUIREMENT <i>most students will be encouraged to take a 4th year.</i>			

MOST ADVANCED COURSES

Honors English 12	Honors Advanced Chemistry
Honors History 12	Honors Biology
	Honors Physics
Honors Chinese 6	Advanced Psychology
Honors French 6	
Honors Spanish 6	
Honors Advanced Topics in Mathematics: Analysis, Linear Algebra, Multivariable Calculus	Advanced Acting
Honors Accelerated Calculus 2	Advanced Dance
Advanced Programming Projects	Advanced Film
	Advanced Music Production
	Advanced Photography
	Advanced Visual Art
	Jazz Band I
	Jazz Choir I ("The Onions")
	String Ensemble

OF USE IN APPLICATION REVIEW

Seattle Academy operates on trimesters, with only senior year first trimester grades available at the time of admission decisions. We do not issue mid-trimester grades or progress reports. First trimester, available in late November/early December, constitutes "midyear" grades but is also generally available for Early Decision/Action applications. Second trimester grades are usually available the second week in March. Please also note that where geometry is not listed on the transcript, students enrolled in geometry in Middle School.

GRADING

Seattle Academy calculates a weighted, inclusive cumulative GPA which appears on the transcript. Our 4.0 GPA, also included on the transcript, is calculated as follows:

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),
F (0.0).

Seattle Academy's passing grade is a **D-**.

CLASS OF 2024

AVERAGE UNWEIGHTED GPA	3.7
HIGHEST UNWEIGHTED GPA	4.0 (three)
LOWEST UNWEIGHTED GPA	2.9

Class of 2024 standardized testing profile is incomplete (see COVID-19 update).

Seattle Academy does not rank, confer internal honors or awards, or share with students college advisor or teacher recommendations. Seattle Academy counsels students to answer honestly applications' discipline questions. College Advising does not routinely report disciplinary infractions but may report select incidents.

CLASS OF 2023 MATRICULATION & APPLICATION AND MATRICULATION CONTEXT

As is typical at Seattle Academy, 100% of the Class of 2023 planning to attend college after graduation gained admission. Just under 90% of the Class of 2023 will attend college outside of Washington State.

A five-year matriculation list is available here:
<https://bit.ly/SeattleAcademyCollegeMatriculationList>

