



Expand your child's world.

Bilingual Pre-K through Grade 12



GISNY AT A GLANCE

Affiliation: Independent; non-sectarian

Location: Located in White Plains, NY,
just 25 miles north of New York City

Average Enrollment: 420 from Pre-K
through Grade 12;
average number of seniors: 20

Curriculum: A rigorous core curriculum that
encompasses the major disciplines of the arts
and sciences, and meets both Germany's and
New York State's official requirements. Courses
approximate and in some cases exceed the
level of American Honors and Advanced
Placement (AP) courses

Diplomas: German International Abitur,
Germany's highest college preparatory
diploma and New York High School Diploma

Faculty: Over 50 members, 95% of whom hold
advanced degrees (Master of Art or European
equivalent)

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Their world is waiting.





OVERVIEW

Expand your child's world at German International School New York (GISNY) in Westchester County, New York, an independent, international Pre-K through Grade 12 college preparatory school where expats and locals alike receive remarkable preparation for wherever the future takes them. German-inspired and internationally minded, GISNY motivates students to experiment, collaborate, create, and think critically as they build their bilingual foundation. Historically, most GISNY students are the children of German, Austrian, and Swiss executives and diplomats assigned to the New York area. Today, our diverse community includes families from all over the world. The school offers a distinctive bilingual, multicultural approach to teaching and learning. Upon graduation, GISNY students can earn both the German International Abitur (DIA), Germany's premier college preparatory diploma, and the NY State High School diploma. This distinctive feature sets GISNY apart as the sole institution in the tri-state area granting both credentials, affirming our commitment to providing unparalleled educational opportunities.

ACCREDITATION

GISNY is part of a network of 140 German international schools abroad and is recognized by the Permanent Conference of the Department of Education of the Federal Republic of Germany. GISNY is also recognized by the New York State Association of Independent Schools (NYSAIS) and the New York State Department of Education. GISNY has also received the award "Excellent German School Abroad" from the German Government in 2009, 2014, and 2022.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

- Students can earn both the DIA and NY State High School diploma which provides a holistic emphasis on languages and sciences.
- Unique focus on bilingualism and independent learning.
- Two-year qualification phase in Grades 11 and 12 ends with written and oral exams.
- Two Advanced Placement (AP) courses are offered: English Language and Composition and German Language and Culture

THE CORE CURRICULUM

GISNY's curriculum, while following in principle that of German Secondary Schools, is a blend of the dominant features of German, Swiss and Austrian secondary schools, with their emphasis on a rigorous and comprehensive liberal studies education, and the requirements and stipulations for high schools in the State of New York. GISNY also follows the stipulations of the German International Abitur, requiring considerable depth and intensity in mathematics, natural sciences, social sciences, and foreign languages.



As a minimum, students have 12 classes and 35 periods per week. The average class size at GISNY is 20 students. This creates an ideal cooperative learning environment where students are encouraged to express themselves freely while working together toward shared goals.

German	4 years/German	History	4 years/Bilingual
English	4 years/English	American History	2 years/English
French/Spanish	2-4 years/French or Spanish	Economics	4 years /Bilingual
Mathematics	4 years/German	Ethics	4 years/German
Chemistry	2-4 years/German	Geography	½ year/Bilingual
Biology	4 years/Bilingual	Phys Ed	4 years/Bilingual
Physics	1-4 years/German	Art or Music	4 years/Bilingual

GISNY does not calculate class rank, or GPA. In grades 11 and 12 exams are graded on a scale of 0-15 but our academic transcript transcribes German Grades to American Grades.

American Grades	A+		A		A-		B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D			F
German Grades	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

GISNY caters to a wide range of talents and interests. After school activities and clubs give students the opportunity to try something new or explore an interest in more depth.

ARTS & MUSIC: Advanced Percussion, Choir, Marimba, Theater

CULTURE: Journalism, Yearbook

ENVIRONMENTAL, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & MATH: Green School, STEM Club, Junior Engineering Academy

SERVICE: DEI Club, Model UN

SPORTS: Soccer, Basketball, Track & Field, Volleyball



COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

A majority of GISNY students continue their education at European universities as well as at universities in the US and Canada. Below is a partial list of acceptances from 2015–2023.

Bard College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Bucknell University
Case Western Reserve University
Clemson University
Denison University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Fashion Institute of Technology
Fordham University
George Washington University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Hofstra University
Louisiana State University
Loyola University New Orleans
Mercer University
New York University
North Carolina State University
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Rochester Institute of Technology
SUNY Binghamton
SUNY Buffalo
SUNY Buffalo State
SUNY New Paltz
SUNY Oswego
SUNY Purchase
SUNY Stony Brook
SUNY Westchester
Syracuse University
The Julliard School
Tufts University
University of Arizona
University of Delaware
University of Georgia
University of Maryland
University of Mississippi
University of Pittsburgh (Greenburgh)

University of Southern California
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
Vassar College
Virginia Tech
Wesleyan University
CANADA
McGill University

FRANCE
Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris

UNITED KINGDOM
Durham University
Oxford University
University of Bristol
University of Edinburgh
University of St. Andrews
University of Sussex

GERMANY, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND & THE
NETHERLANDS
Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg
École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne
Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich
Erasmus University Rotterdam
Freie Universität Berlin
Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
Ludwig-Maximilians Universität München
Maastricht University
Technische Universität München
Universität Basel
Universität Bern
Universität Heidelberg
Universität de Lausanne
Universität Passau
Universität Wien
Universität Zurich