



THE HEWITT SCHOOL

SCHOOL PROFILE 2026-2027

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ABOUT THE HEWITT SCHOOL

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Founded in 1920, The Hewitt School inspires girls and young women to become game changers and ethical leaders who forge an equitable, sustainable, and joyous future. Our innovative, one-of-a-kind curriculum gives students a strong academic foundation combined with life and real-world leadership skills so they graduate uniquely prepared to make a difference on their college campuses, in the workforce, and in society.

SCHOOL DEMOGRAPHICS

K-12 Students

- 40% identify as students of color
- 33% receive financial aid
- Students attend from all five boroughs of NYC and beyond

Class of 2027

- 44 Students

Faculty

- 65 teaching faculty
- 49 with advanced degrees (M.A. or higher)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- English *4 credits*
- Mathematics *3 credits*
- Classical and Modern Languages *3 credits*
- History *3 credits*
- Humanities *1 credit*
- Science *3 credits*
- STEM *1 credit*
- Performing Arts/Technology/Visual Arts *3 credits*
- Physical Education *4 year requirement*

EXTENDED INQUIRY PROGRAM

Hewitt's Extended Inquiry (EI) program gives students the opportunity to complete a rigorous, original, independent research project. Students earn honors credit by completing these projects in the course(s) or discipline(s) they choose. While the majority of these projects are done outside of class, students who opt to complete an EI project enroll in a twice-weekly seminar, where students and mentors are trained in the Tutorial Method in partnership with the Centre for Tutorial Teaching in Oxford, England. Each EI project includes the critical reading and writing necessary to synthesize research and present a written argument. In addition, students who complete an EI project present and defend their work to a panel of teachers and students.

GRADES 9 AND 10

EI projects in grades 9 and 10 must be connected to the student's course work and earn students the honors designation in those courses. Students in grade 9 may choose to do a project that extends the learning they are doing in any single course. In grade 10, students may choose to do a single project that extends the learning they are doing in any single course or combines the concepts from at most two courses.

GRADES 11 AND 12

Students opting to do an EI project in grades 11 and 12 must register for Honors Research Seminar I or Honors Research Seminar II. Honors Research Seminar I requires students to write a 12-16 page synthesis or literature review of the current research related to their research question. Honors Research Seminar II requires students to complete original research related to their research question from Honors Research Seminar I. See the Program Catalog for more information.

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES PROGRAM

The Interdisciplinary Studies program invites students to make meaning of the complex, interconnected challenges of our world, which often exist at the intersection of traditional disciplines. In order to more fully examine these big questions, students draw from, integrate, and synthesize the content and skills that typically exist in a single discipline. Given the complex nature of these courses, students spend significantly more time preparing outside of class and, over the course of the year, take an additional 30 hours of in-class time. Interdisciplinary Studies courses are available to 11th and 12th graders, who may take at most two per year.

CONSTELLATION LEARNING PROGRAM

Hewitt is a member of Constellation Learning, a collective of independent schools coming together in a globalized, blended learning community. Hewitt's participation enriches our elective offerings and provides students primarily in grades 11 and 12 with the opportunity to learn in a collaborative, flexible, and alternative setting with other motivated students from around the country. Educators from other independent schools teach Constellation Learning courses, which are included on the Hewitt transcript.

UPPER SCHOOL COURSES AVAILABLE FOR THE CLASS OF 2027

English

Finding Your Voice: Literature and Performance
 American Literature
 Coming of Age in Literature and Society
 Creative Monsters
 Crime Fiction
 Dangers of a Single Story: Immigrants, Refugees, and Displaced Peoples
 In Dark Times: The Dystopian Imagination
 Reading and Writing the City
 Same Story, Different Day
 The Art of Memoir: Narratives of the Self
 The Poet You Are: Foundations of Poetry

History

World History
 U.S. History
 Anthropology/Introduction to Anthropology
 Comparative Religions
 A Global History of Disasters
 History of Modern South Asia
 Latin American History
 Law and the American Legal System
 Music and the American Experience
 Political and Economic Theories, Practices, and Conflicts
 Rebels and Renegades: Artists in the 20th Century
 Beyond the Headlines: Seeking “Truth” in an Age of Polarization and Misinformation
 Film Studies

Mathematics

Geometry
 Algebra II
 Accelerated Algebra II with Trigonometry
 Precalculus
 Probability and Statistics
 Calculus
 Mathematical Problem Solving and Posing
 Probability and Statistics

Science

Conceptual Physics
 Chemistry
 Biology

Physics II: Topics in Astronomy and Physics
 Chemistry II: Topics in Organic and Inorganic Chemistry
 Advanced Chemistry: Crime Science
 Neuroscience and Society
 Comparative Anatomy
 Science and Engineering in Practice
 Uncovering Climate Change: Science, Economics, and Culture

World Languages and Classics

French I, II, III, IV
 Spanish I, II, III, IV
 French Cinema: Exploring Society, History, and Cultural Identity
 Les Femmes: Women in French Literature and Francophone Cultures
 French Poetry and Music: Lyrics, Rhythm, and Expression
 Film and Society: Exploring the Hispanic World through Cinema
 Women in Latin American Cultural Studies
 Music and Poetry in the Hispanic-Speaking World
 Latin II, III
 Latin Literature: Epic and Lyric
 Latin Literature: Philosophy and Memoir
 Latin Literature: Roman Historiography and Identity

Visual and Performing Arts

Photography I
 Advanced Photography
 Ceramics I
 Advanced Ceramics
 Introduction to Studio Art: Elements of Creative Process
 Advanced Painting
 Advanced Studio Art: Using Creative Process for Life
 Introduction to Filmmaking
 Advanced Filmmaking
 Introduction to Acting
 Beginning/Intermediate Acting
 Advanced Acting
 Chamber Choir
 Chamber Orchestra
 Dance Company
 Dance Composition
 Drama Production Labs A, B, and C
 Handbell Choir

Beginning Guitar/Guitar I
 Guitar II/Advanced Guitar

Engineering and Technology

Introduction to Design Engineering
 Advanced Design Engineering
 Introduction to Mechanical Engineering
 Advanced Mechanical Engineering
 Introduction to Computer Programming
 Advanced Computer Programming
 Introduction to Fabrication/Fabrication I
 The Art of Code
 Advanced Robotics
 Robotic Engineering/Engineering Robotics
 Sustainable Design
 Game Design
 Methods and Applications in Scientific Inquiry

Interdisciplinary Studies

Shakespeare: Love, Rage, and Stage Combat
 Advanced Physics: The Science of Fiction
 Latin Literature: Epic and Lyric
 Fractured America: The Rural Urban Divide
 Philosophy and Economics: Reason, Value, and the Good Society
 Leadership for Sustainability I

Research

Foundations of Research and Ethics
 Hewitt Action Research Collaborative
 Bossy, Ambitious, and Other Things They Call Us
 Leadership for Sustainability II
 Story Telling through Data Science and Visualization

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT

Between 2022 and 2026, Hewitt students matriculated at the colleges and universities listed below.

American University*	Harvard University	Trinity College Dublin-Columbia
Amherst College*	Howard University*	University Dual BA Program
Arizona State University	Indiana University*	Tufts University*
Babson College	Istituto Marangoni, Milano	Tulane University*
Bard College	Johns Hopkins University*	Union College
Barnard College*	Kenyon College	Universiteit Utrecht
Bennington College	Lafayette College*	University of California, Davis
Boston College*	Lehigh University	University of California, Los Angeles
Boston University*	Loyola Marymount University*	University of Colorado Boulder
Bowdoin College	Macalester College	University of Miami*
Brown University	McGill University*	University of Michigan*
Bucknell University	Middlebury College*	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Butler University	New York University*	University of Pennsylvania*
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo*	Northeastern University*	University of Richmond
Carnegie Mellon University*	Northwestern University*	University of South Carolina
Chapman University*	Oberlin College	University of Southern California*
Colgate University*	Pennsylvania State University*	University of St Andrews*
College of William & Mary	Pratt Institute	University of Sydney
Colorado College	Princeton University*	University of Texas at Austin*
Columbia College Chicago	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*	University of Vermont*
Columbia University*	Rutgers University	University of Virginia*
Cornell University*	San Diego State University	University of Wisconsin-Madison*
Davidson College*	Santa Clara University	Vanderbilt University*
Duke University*	Sarah Lawrence College	Vassar College
Emory University*	Savannah College of Art and Design	Verto Education Program
Fairfield University	Sciences Po	Villanova University*
Fordham University	Scripps College	Wake Forest University
Franklin & Marshall College	Skidmore College	Washington University in St. Louis*
George Washington University	Smith College*	Wellesley College
Georgetown University*	SOAS University of London	Wesleyan University*
Georgia Institute of Technology	Southern Methodist University	Williams College
Hamilton College*	Spelman College*	Yale University*
Hampton University	Syracuse University*	
	Trinity College	

*Multiple Hewitt students matriculated at these colleges and universities.