Delphian School

2026-2027 Profile for College Admission Offices

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2025-2026 ENROLLMENT

Total Enrollment K-12	223
High School Enrollment 9-12	153
Boarding Students	66%
Countries Represented	19
Student-to-Teacher Ratio	9:1
Average Students Per Class	17
Students Receiving Financial Aid	69%
Senior Class of 2026	22

ACCREDITATION

Delphian is an accredited member of the **Northwest Association of Independent Schools** and **Cognia**.

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ABOUT DELPHIAN SCHOOL

Delphian School is a co-educational, international day and boarding school in Oregon. It has been proficiency-based since it was founded in 1976 and is a pioneer in educational reform. The school offers a rigorous career and college prep program with a strong emphasis on practical learning and a rich selection of co-curricular activities.

At Delphian, we emphasize practical knowledge and the ability to study independently. Testing is one-on-one; credits are given when students can demonstrate ability and understanding. In addition, students are constantly challenged to think critically, communicate clearly, and use reason, creativity, and integrity to solve problems at every step of their education.

LIFE AT DELPHIAN

Delphian gradually asks for more responsibility and leadership from students as they progress through their programs, while at the same time, faculty gradually decrease their supervision and intervention.

Students are responsible for many daily campus activities, including dorm operations, recreation activities, student snack bar, community service activities, weekend trips, talent and music performances, school tours, and more. They are also responsible for keeping student areas clean and in good condition through their "student service" positions.

Eventually, all students transition from student service to leadership positions on student council. Student council provides opportunities for students to make critical decisions about activities in a real-world setting. Students get to experience first-hand the outcomes of their planning, organizing, and coordination, or lack thereof.

To graduate from our high school program, all students must successfully complete a summer internship at Delphian's summer camp program. The internship jobs include positions such as teacher's aid, student mentor, or activities coordinator.

All students participate in more than two hours of elective co-curricular activities daily, such as interscholastic sports, coding and game design, graphic design, creative writing, video production, ceramics, music, photography, and woodworking. Many students have created classes and seminars on things they are interested in, like robotics, economics seminars, R/C car builds and races, and more.

Additionally, many upper-level students create and participate in optional, global outreach and humanitarian projects.

MISSION

To empower young people to bring positive change in the world through reason, creativity, and integrity.

CORE VALUES

A student's pursuit of learning should be self-determined.

Each student has unique goals and must be addressed as an individual.

Every student is capable of living a productive life and creating positive change in themselves and others.

ACADEMICS & TRANSCRIPTS

Our unique, mastery-based approach to education teaches students to be self-learners, gain excellent research and application skills, and operate responsibly in an increasingly technological environment.

Students develop intrinsic self-motivation through our rigorous academic program, where 100% mastery must be demonstrated before moving on in any academic course.

The school does not grade on a curve, weight grades, post grades, or rank its students. Letter grades and GPA are reported for transcript purposes only and are based on a final comprehensive exam score for each academic course. Since testing is administered one-on-one, students are more closely monitored on tests. Students re-study until mastery is obtained, and anything below 85% requires a complete repeat of a course.

We do not offer AP courses, though courses are available at Delphian over and beyond AP level. Students who choose to sit for AP exams study independently or create peer-run seminars. Honors courses represent the highest possible level of rigor and require faculty approval.

Students at Delphian take responsibility for their education and program. Anything beyond specific minimum graduation requirements is entirely self-driven, with students often engaging in career or higher educational experiences while still in high school.

These factors, combined, make Delphian graduates uniquely driven and resilient far beyond their high standard of academic knowledge.

RECENT COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

- American University
- Babson College
- Boston University
- California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Chapman University
- Emory University
- Georgetown University
- Johns Hopkins University
- McGill University
- New York University (NYU)
- Northeastern University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pepperdine University
- Pratt Institute
- Rice University
- Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD)
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- Smith College
- Stanford University
- University of British Columbia
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Miami (Florida)
- University of Pennsylvania (UPenn)
- University of Southern California (USC)
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington
- Vanderbilt University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Wesleyan University
- Williams College

ETHICS, INTEGRITY, LEADERSHIP & KNOWLEDGE

Delphian students learn to live their lives guided by ethics and integrity. To demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of these essential life concepts, students study a series of courses related to logic and decision-making skills themselves. To practice applying the information learned, they complete an in-school apprenticeship, working beneath the faculty Student Ethics Advisor, helping their peers improve decision-making skills and resolve personal or academic problems.

Delphian graduates embody the four points of the school logo: ethics, integrity, leadership, and knowledge.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Delphian's program focuses on the application of knowledge gained (not memorization), sciences require hands-on laboratories, economics require real-world situations with measurable results, and so on.

Minimally, students must complete the following specific requirements:

SUBJECT	REQUIRED YEARS OF STUDY
English Language & Composition	4
World Literature	4
Economics & Social Studies	3.5
Mathematics	3
Sciences	2.5
History & Government Studies	3
Second Language (elective for multilingual students)	2
Computer Science	1
Comparative Religion	0.5
Physical Education & Health & one required Interscholastic Sport	4
Projects, Apprenticeships and/or Internships	4
Community Service	4

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