FRANKLIN SCHOOL

2026-27

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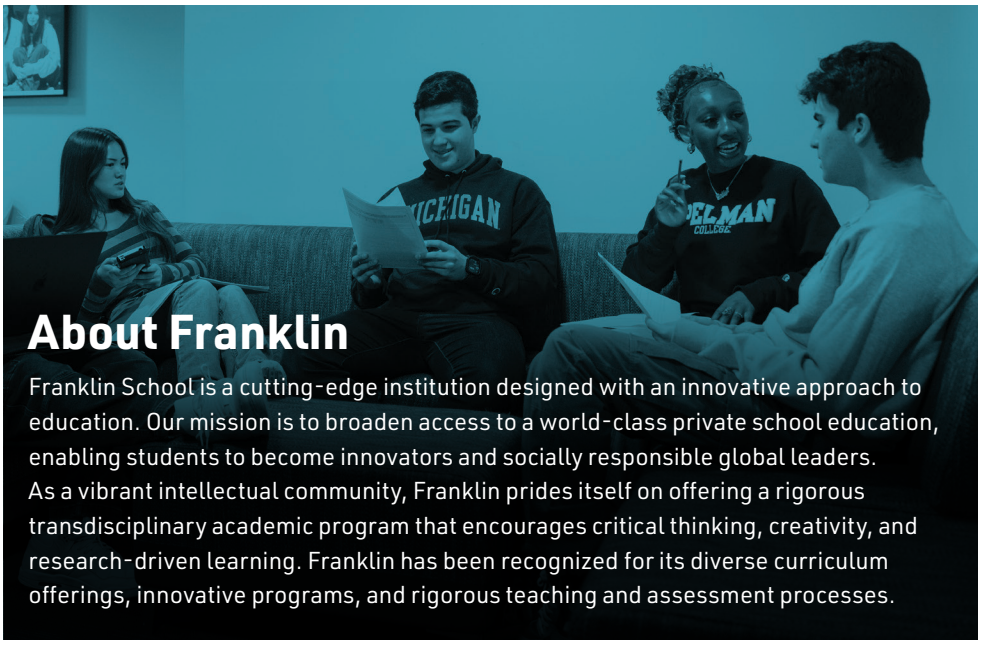
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About Franklin

Franklin School is a cutting-edge institution designed with an innovative approach to education. Our mission is to broaden access to a world-class private school education, enabling students to become innovators and socially responsible global leaders. As a vibrant intellectual community, Franklin prides itself on offering a rigorous transdisciplinary academic program that encourages critical thinking, creativity, and research-driven learning. Franklin has been recognized for its diverse curriculum offerings, innovative programs, and rigorous teaching and assessment processes.

2022
Year established

10
Dwight-Franklin global campuses

92%
Faculty with advanced degrees

31%
Students receiving financial aid

6:1
Student to teacher ratio

50+
Countries represented

100%
Matriculation to 4-year college

8+
Global engagement trips per year

30+
Community partnerships

182
Student enrollment

> **Everything at Franklin is reflective of excellence in education,** through innovative curricula, advanced systems, and cross-curricular collaboration, **all designed to equip students with real-world skills and grow the change-makers of tomorrow.**
>
> — Mariesa Grado, Associate Vice President, Middle States Association

Global Network Advantage

Franklin is proud to be part of the world-renowned global network of Dwight Schools, a collective of leading independent schools across the globe. This collaboration provides Franklin students with unrivaled local and international opportunities, from joint academic initiatives and leadership exchanges to cultural immersions and global projects. Through this network, Franklin students connect with peers and mentors worldwide, gaining the skills, perspectives, and experiences that prepare them to thrive as globally minded scholars and leaders in the most selective universities and beyond.

ACADEMICS

Franklin School stands apart as the **world's most innovative school** (T4 Education World's Best Schools 2025-26), where students do not simply prepare for college, they prepare to shape the future. Our curriculum fuses academic rigor with real-world impact, blending mastery of core disciplines with cutting-edge programs in Systems Thinking, Artificial Intelligence, Futures Thinking, and Global Leadership.

The result is a profile of graduates uniquely positioned for success: students who can think critically, act adaptively, and lead with vision. Franklin alumni arrive at university not only prepared for academic excellence, but with a demonstrated capacity to innovate, collaborate, and contribute meaningfully to the world.



Signature Programs

Franklin's academic distinction lies in its integration of rigorous scholarship with real-world innovation. Through a continuum of signature programs, students develop the intellectual depth, adaptability, and leadership skills required to excel in the world's most selective universities and beyond.

Capstone Continuum

Beginning in grade 9, students identify an area of interest that will drive their learning as they work to develop research, design, and presentation skills that prepare them for a senior-year capstone integrating academic knowledge with real-world application. Final projects range from product design and scientific research to social innovation, performances, and professional portfolios.

Capstone 450 Honors

The pinnacle of Franklin's Capstone Continuum, where students move from interdisciplinary exploration to transdisciplinary action. This course propels students beyond theory into real-world problem solving, requiring them to apply advanced knowledge in data science, global politics, psychology, and storytelling to address complex challenges.

Skills Curriculum

A two-year program that equips students to navigate and lead in complexity. Grounded in Systems Thinking and advanced through courses in Futures Thinking, Epistemology, AI, Data Analysis, Agile Thinking, and Narrative Analysis, the program challenges students to deconstruct global "wicked problems" and design innovative, evidence-based solutions.

Franklin Incubator Program

Franklin Student Ventures (FSV) provides every student the opportunity to conceive, pitch, prototype, and launch passion-driven projects, from startups and nonprofits to civic initiatives.

Micro-Courses & Electives

Franklin's micro-courses and electives connect students directly to the expertise of industry leaders, practitioners, and distinguished educators, with offerings ranging from AI and Engineering Technology to Psychology, Philosophy, Journalism, and the Arts.

Academic Care

Academic Care is a two-year program that ensures students are equipped with the necessary skills to thrive in rigorous academic settings, lead with integrity in diverse communities, and navigate the complexities of an ever-changing global landscape with resilience and purpose.Public Speaking Program

Public Speaking Program

Franklin students complete a communication program through a progression of group workshops, personalized coaching, and embodied cognition techniques.

Rigor of Franklin Courses

- Advanced
- Advanced Placement (AP)
- Honors (Hon)
- Standard (Std)

***NOTE:**
Due to the rigor of our standard and honors classes, AP and Advanced courses are only offered to students in grades 9-10 under extraordinary circumstances.

Class of 2026 College Acceptances

(Matriculations in bold)

Albertus Magnus College
American University
Arizona State University
Belmont University
Brandeis University
Buffalo State College
Caldwell University
Carleton College
Case Western Reserve University
College for Creative Studies
College of Charleston
Coastal Carolina University
The College of New Jersey
Drexel University
Elon University
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida International University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University
Fordham University
The George Washington University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgian Court University
Goldsmith University of London (UK)
Goucher College
Greenwich University (UK)
Hofstra University
Howard University
IE University (Spain)
Istituto Marangoni (Italy)
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Kenyon College
Lancaster University (UK)
Le Moyne College
Liberty University
Loyola University Chicago
Louisiana State University
Lycoming College
Manchester University (UK)
Manhattan University
Marist University
Maryland Institute College
Merrimack College
MIT
Montclair State University
The New School
New York University
New Jersey City University
Northeastern University
Ole Miss University
Otis College
Pace University
Palm Beach State College
Penn State University
Pratt Institute
Purdue University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Ringling College
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
Savannah College of Art & Design
Seton Hall University
Siena College
SOAS University of London (UK)
Southern New Hampshire University
Spelman College
Stockton University
Suffolk University
SUNY Albany
SUNY Binghamton
SUNY Cobleskill
SUNY Geneseo
SUNY New Paltz
SUNY Polytech
SUNY Stony Brook
Syracuse University
Temple University
Towson University
Tulane University
UC Los Angeles
UC San Diego
UC Santa Barbara
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Colorado Colorado Springs
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Hartford
University of Louisville
University of Manchester
University of Maryland College Park
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of Massachusetts Boston
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Pittsburgh
University of South Carolina
University of Tampa
University of Wisconsin-Madison
US Air Force Academy
US Naval Academy
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Wentworth Institute of Technology
West Virginia University
Westminster College (UK)
Widener University
William & Mary
Worcester Polytech
Xavier University

Graduation Requirements

English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Lab Science	4 years
World Language, Design and Technology	3 years
Visual and Performing Arts, Physical Education	2 years
Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurship Business Literacy	1 year
Skills and Franklin Capstone, Micro-Courses and Electives	4 years

Grading System

Letter	Grade	Letter	Grade
A+	4.0	C	2.0
A	4.0	C-	1.7
A-	3.7	D+	1.3
B+	3.3	D	1.0
B	3.0	D-	0.7
B-	2.7	F	0
C+	2.3		

Courses Not Factored into the GPA	
Micro-Course Grading	Pass / Fail
Skill Curriculum Grading	Complete = COM Incomplete = INC

***NOTE**:
Cumulative GPA is unweighted and calculated at the end of each school year but with progressive impact on GPA so that each successive year carries a heavier impact on the cumulative GPA. Franklin does not rank students.

COURSE OFFERINGS 2026-27

ART

[ART 100] Introduction to Studio Art
[ART 125] Drawing
[ART 200] Studio Art
[ART 225] Printmaking
[ART 226] Painting
[ART 315] Explorations in Collage
[ART 325] Art Portfolio Development
[ART 326] Exploration into Color and Design

CAPSTONE

[CAP 100] Franklin Capstone
[CAP 200] Franklin Capstone
[CAP 300] Franklin Capstone
[CAP 450] Franklin Capstone [Hon]

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

[DES 100] Digital Design and Fabrication
[DES 115] The ILIAD Build
[DES 125] Artificial Intelligence I
[DES 200] Physical Computing
[DES 250] Physical Computing [Hon]
[DES 225] Engineering Technology
[DES 226] AI II Design Lab
[DES 300] Design and Computational Media
[DES 350] Design and Digial Media [Hon]
[DES 315] Creating Music with Computers
[DES 318] The ILIAD Build
[DES 325] Creative Learning Studio
[DES 326] Data Science
[DES 425] Creative Learning Studio II
[FSV 115] Design and Innovative Thinking

EDUCATION

[EDUC 450] Teacher Education

ENGLISH

[ENG 100] Human Identity and Experience
[ENG 200] Community and the Search for Belonging
[ENG 250] Community and the Search for Belonging [Hon]
[ENG 300] Systems and the Societies They Fail
[ENG 350] Systems and the Societies They Fail [Hon]
[ENG 325] Creative Writing
[ENG 400] Legacy and Belonging
[ENG 450] Legacy and Belonging [Hon]
[ENG 475] Advanced Literature and Composition

HUMANITIES

[HIST 100] World History I
[HIST 115] The "'Greats" of History
[HIST 200] World History II
[HIST 250] World History II [Hon]
[HIST 300] US History
[HIST 375] Advanced US History
[HIST 400] Global Politics
[HIST 450] Global Politics [Hon]
[HIST 475] Advanced Comparative Government and Politics
[PHIL 115] Introduction to Philosophy
[PHIL 325] Introduction to Philosophy
[PSYCH 125] Introduction to Psychology
[PSYCH 375] Advanced Psychology
[PSYCH/PHIL 225] The Greatest Theories of Humanity
[PSYCH/PHIL 250] The Greatest Theories of Humanity [Hon]
[ECON 375] Advanced Microeconomics [Dual Enrolment University of Pittsburgh]
[ECON 475] Advanced Macroeconomics [Dual Enrolment University of Pittsburgh]

WORLD LANGUAGE*

[LANG 050] Endeavor Spanish I
[LANG 100] French I
[LANG 100] Spanish I
[LANG 101] Endeavor Spanish II
[LANG 200] French II
[LANG 200] Spanish II
[LANG 300] French III
[LANG 350] French III [Hon]
[LANG 300] Spanish III
[LANG 350] Spanish III [Hon]
[LANG 400] French IV
[LANG 450] French IV [Hon]
[LANG 400] Spanish IV
[LANG 450] Spanish IV [Hon]
[LANG 575] Advanced French Language and Culture
[LANG 575] Advanced Spanish Language and Culture
[LANG 576] Advanced Language and Culture: Spanish Conversation

MATHEMATICS*

[MATH 100] Linear Algebra and Basics of Geometry
[MATH 200] Non-Linear Algebra & 2-Dimensional Geometry
[MATH 250] Non-Linear Algebra and Applications of Geometry [Hon]
[MATH 300] Trigonometry and 3D Geometry
[MATH 375] Advanced Precalculus
[MATH 400] Precalculus and Intro to Statistics
[MATH 475] Advanced Calculus
[MATH 476] Advanced Statistics

PHE

[PHE 100] PHE I
[PHE 200] PHE II

SCIENCE

[SCI 100] Integrated Biology
[SCI 115] Anatomy and Physiology of Athletes
[SCI 200] Integrated Chemistry
[SCI 250] Integrated Chemistry [Hon]
[SCI 300] Integrated Physics
[SCI 375] Advanced Physics
[SCI 400] Environmental Science
[SCI 475] Advanced Environmental Science
[SCI 476] Advanced Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism

SKILLS

[SKILLS 100] Skills Curriculum
[SKILLS 200] Skills Curriculum

KEY

Starts with	Signifies	Ends with	Signifies
100-level	9th grade	15	Micro-Course
200-level	10th grade	25	Elective
300-level	11th grade	50	Honors
400-level	12th grade	75	Advanced

(*) Students are able to advance or accelerate their courses by completing prerequisite courses during the summer

Bold Courses:
Students often choose to take the AP exam as a result of the preparation from these courses.