

Lawrence Academy

School Profile

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THE SCHOOL

Founded in 1793, Lawrence Academy is an academically rigorous coeducational boarding and day college-preparatory school enrolling 418 students in grades 9–12. The day population draws from eastern Massachusetts and neighboring New Hampshire towns. Ten percent of the student population is international, representing 17 different countries, while the remaining boarding students come from 14 different states. On average, 100 seniors graduate each year, with 100 percent matriculating at a four-year college.

CALENDAR

Lawrence Academy operates on a trimester system, with a required two-week “Winterim” experiential education program at the end of the winter term. The first trimester ends at the Thanksgiving break recess; the second, approximately March 1.

CLASS RANK, GPA, CUM LAUDE, AND HIGH HONOR ROLL/ HONOR ROLL

Lawrence Academy does not provide class rank nor a cumulative grade point average.

Cum Laude is awarded to the top 10 percent of juniors with no grade below B-. High Honor Roll is earned with a term GPA of 3.50 and above with no grade below B. Honor Roll is earned with a term GPA of 3.00 and above with no grade below B-.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Year-long courses earn one credit; term-length electives earn one-third credit. Students entering in Grade 9 must earn 18 credits; 17 1/3 credits are required for all others for graduation, including the following distribution requirements:

English	4 years
Mathematics	3 years (through Algebra II and Trigonometry)
Science	3 years of a laboratory science for students entering in Grade 9 (Physics, Chemistry, Biology); 2 years for others (Chemistry and Biology)
History	3 years if entering in Grade 9; 2 years for others (U.S. History plus one other)
Language	2 years of one language
Arts	2 years for students entering in Grade 9; 1/3 credit per year for others “or” one trimester per year for others

REPORTING DISCIPLINE

It is expected, when asked in the college application process about any formal discipline at Lawrence Academy, that students will respond in an honest and forthright manner. If Lawrence Academy discovers that a student has not answered honestly and forthrightly according to the college’s purpose and definition, the school will immediately contact the college and provide an account of the student’s relevant disciplinary history consistent with the school’s records. If a college reaches out to inquire about a student’s disciplinary history, Lawrence Academy will answer honestly. Aside from specific inquiries from colleges, Lawrence Academy does not automatically report disciplinary decisions to other schools or colleges unless they occur following the submission of application materials by the student and/or during the student’s senior year.

ACCREDITATION

New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Memberships are held in the National Association for College Admissions Counseling, the New England Association for College Admissions Counseling, the College Board, and the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools.

THE CURRICULUM

Year-long classes form the core of the upper class curriculum. Most arts classes are one term in length. **Lawrence Academy does not offer Advanced Placement courses.** Our most rigorous courses will be designated “Honors,” and students may only take these courses with the permission of the department chair and/or completion of a qualifying exam. Please note that arts courses are treated like all others in computing grade point average, as we do not distinguish between “minor” and “major” subjects.

EXPLANATION OF COURSE LEVELS

Lawrence Academy offers a rigorous, college-preparatory curriculum at all grade levels. Courses are offered at the Standard (ST) and Honors (HON) levels, and each discipline may vary by year. Honors is our highest course level. Honors courses are as rigorous, if not more, than AP courses.

Course	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English	ST	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON
History	ST	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON
Mathematics	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON
Science	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON
Language	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON	ST, HON
ESL	ST	ST	ST	ST
Arts	ST	ST	ST, HON	ST, HON

HONORS COURSES

Taken only with the permission of the department chair and/or the completion of a qualifying exam.

- Arts:** Honors Dance I, Honors Dance II, Honors Digital Media I, Honors Digital Media II, Honors Lawrence Academy Singers, Honors Performance Studies, Honors Theater Ensemble, Honors Visual Art I, Honors Visual Art II
- English:** Honors English Composition, Honors Literature, Honors Writing
- History:** Honors U.S. History; Honors Senior History; Honors Terrorism, Extremism, Radicalism
- Language:** Honors Chinese 3, Honors Chinese 4, Honors French 3, Honors French 4, Honors French 5, Honors French 6, Honors Latin III, Honors Latin IV, Honors Spanish 3, Honors Spanish 4, Honors Spanish 5, Honors Spanish 6
- Mathematics:** Honors Integrated Algebra and Geometry II, Honors Algebra II and Trigonometry, Honors Precalculus, Honors Calculus, Honors Multivariable Calculus, Honors Statistics, Honors Advanced Math Topics
- Science:** Honors Anatomy and Physiology, Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, Honors Experimental Chemistry, Honors Environmental Science, Honors Marine Science, Honors Physics

NUMERICAL EQUIVALENTS USED FOR AVERAGING									
A	4.00	B+	3.33	C+	2.33	D+	1.33	F	0.00
A-	3.67	B	3.00	C	2.00	D	1.00		
		B-	2.67	C-	1.67	D-	0.67		

SAT SCORES: MIDDLE 50 PERCENT	
	Class of 2022
Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	520-630
Mathematics	510-630

ACT COMPOSITE SCORES: MIDDLE 50 PERCENT	
	Class of 2022
Composite	19-27

Grade Distribution Class of 2022	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
English												
English Composition	13	26	19	22	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors English Composition	11	15	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior English Seminar: Children's Literature	3	0	3	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Literature	0	3	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
History												
ESL Intermediate Sociocultural Studies	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
U.S. History	17	16	8	21	7	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Senior History: Of Nukes and Commies	9	7	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors U.S. History	26	7	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gender in America	0	10	4	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
History and Film: The World in Crisis 1914-1991	2	2	3	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Human Geography	12	12	5	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
History of Democracy	0	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Language												
Powers of Persuasion	0	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ESL Intermediate Literature	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
ESL Intermediate Skills	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
French 1	4	4	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
French 2	0	2	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French 3	2	2	1	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
French 4	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors French 3	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Honors French 4	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latin I	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latin II	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Honors Latin III	7	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latin III	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 1	26	7	7	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 2	25	9	5	13	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 3	7	6	11	17	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 4	10	12	7	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spanish 5	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Spanish 5	11	5	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Spanish 3	3	7	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Spanish 4	18	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chinese 1	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chinese 2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Chinese 4	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mathematics												
Honors Computer Science	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Integrated Algebra and Geometry II	22	15	8	16	6	0	4	1	1	0	0	0
Algebra II and Trigonometry	14	9	16	14	6	14	6	3	0	2	1	1
Honors Precalculus	5	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Statistics	3	3	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calculus	1	3	8	6	6	1	5	2	1	0	0	0
Honors Calculus	8	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Science												
Biology	8	14	12	11	3	4	6	1	0	1	0	0
Honors Biology	5	6	7	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Chemistry	3	5	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Chemistry	3	4	5	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Anatomy	2	3	4	4	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Advanced Physics	3	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Physics	3	5	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Marine Science	12	8	3	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental Science	2	1	1	8	5	3	3	0	1	0	0	0
Honors Environmental Science	3	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honors Marine Science	2	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arts	174	66	29	12	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Colleges Attending – Lawrence Academy Graduates 2019-2022

American University	James Madison University	Syracuse University
Arizona State University	Keene State College	Temple University
Assumption University	Kenyon College	Texas Christian University
Auburn University	Lafayette College	The New England Conservatory of Music
Babson College	Lake Forest College	The New School
Bard College	Lasell University	The Ohio State University
Barnard College	Lebanon Valley College	The University of Tampa
Bates College	Lehigh University	The University of Tennessee
Baylor University	Lesley University	The University of Texas at Austin
Bentley University	Loyola Marymount University	Trinity College
Boston College	Loyola University Maryland	Tufts University
Boston University	Lynn University	Tulane University
Bowdoin College	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy	Union College
Brandeis University	Merrimack College	United States Military Academy
Bryant University	Miami University	University of Arizona
Bucknell University	Middlebury College	University of California (Berkeley)
Carleton College	Montana State University	University of California (Davis)
Case Western Reserve University	Mount Holyoke College	University of California (San Diego)
Central Connecticut State University	Muhlenberg College	University of Colorado Boulder
Centre College	New York University	University of Connecticut
Clark University	North Carolina State University	University of Dayton
Clarkson University	Northeastern University	University of Denver
Coastal Carolina University	Norwich University	University of Hartford
Colby College	Oxford College of Emory University	University of Maine
Colgate University	Pace University	University of Maryland (College Park)
College of Charleston	Parsons School of Design	University of Massachusetts (Amherst)
College of the Holy Cross	Penn State University	University of Massachusetts (Lowell)
Colorado College	Pitzer College	University of Miami
Connecticut College	Providence College	University of Michigan
Denison University	Purdue University	University of Mississippi
Dickinson College	Quinnipiac University	University of New England
Drew University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of New Hampshire
Duke University	Roger Williams University	University of North Carolina at Asheville
Elon University	Rutgers University	University of Notre Dame
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Sacred Heart University	University of Rhode Island
Emory University	Saint Anselm College	University of Richmond
Endicott College	Saint Michael's College	University of St Andrews
Fairfield University	Salve Regina University	University of Toronto
Fashion Institute of Technology	San Diego State University	University of Utah
Fordham University	Santa Clara University	University of Vermont
Franklin & Marshall College	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Washington
Franklin Pierce University	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Wisconsin (Madison)
George Washington University	Scripps College	Ursinus College
Georgia Institute of Technology (Main Campus)	Sewanee: The University of the South	Villanova University
Gettysburg College	Skidmore College	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Hamilton College	Smith College	Wake Forest University
High Point University	St. John's College (Santa Fe)	Wentworth Institute of Technology
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	St. Lawrence University	Wesleyan University
Hofstra University	Stanford University	Western New England University
Howard University	Stetson University	Williams College
Indiana University (Bloomington)	Stevens Institute of Technology	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Jacksonville University	Stonehill College	
	Swarthmore College	