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Gould Academy prepares academically motivated students for college and helps them to become independent-minded, ethical citizens who will lead lives of purpose, action, excellence, and compassion in a dynamic world.

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Gould Academy is fully accredited by NEASC. Our College Counselors abide by NACAC's SPGP and are active members of NEACAC, NACAC, ACCIS, NAIS, and TABS.



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2016-2017 Gould Academy Profile

Our Community – By The Numbers:

Located in the the picturesque village of Bethel and the mountains of western Maine, Gould Academy is a community of scholars, musicians, outdoor enthusiasts, artists, inventors, and athletes. Typically, 99% of graduating seniors matriculate at a four-year college or university.

Total Enrollment: 245	International Students*: 78	Polar Bears: 30	Minutes to Nearest Ski Resort: 11
Women: 105	Post-Graduates: 11	On-Snow Athletes: 146	Outing Club Members: 13
Men: 140	Domestic Students of Color: 7	Senior Proctors: 12	Miles of Mountain Biking Trails: 7
Boarders: 185	Room & Board: \$57,500	Head Proctors: 5	Gould Goes Green Members: 12
Day Students: 60	Avg. Financial Aid Award: \$25,409	Manhattan School of Music Students: 20	Square Feet of Skateboarding Park: 4000
Maine Students: 72	Families Receiving Aid: 112		

*In addition to the United States, our students come from: Canada, China, Cyprus, Democratic Republic of Congo, England, Hong Kong, Japan, Mexico, Russia, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Spain, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, Venezuela, and Vietnam.

Graduation Requirements:

English (4) | **Math (3)** (through Algebra 2) | **History (3)** (to include US History) | **Science (3)** (to include 1 life and 1 physical science) | **World Languages (3)** (through the third year of a modern language) | **Arts (1.33)** (to include both performing and visual arts)

Most Gould students advance well beyond these requirements. Independent Study, per approval, is available for credit toward graduation. **The World Languages requirement is waived for students for whom English is a second or third language.**

Curriculum:

Gould Academy operates on a trimester system, with students typically enrolling in 5 or 6 courses per trimester. Honors courses are available by departmental recommendation and through Embedded Honors options. Students gain admission to AP courses, typically beginning in 11th grade, by departmental recommendation.

Departments	Curriculum	Most Advanced Coursework Offered
English	Year-long courses (9 -12) Trimester electives available in 11 and 12	Honors available in all courses AP Language & Composition, AP Literature & Composition
Mathematics	Year-long courses (9 -12) Trimester electives available in 11 and 12	Honors Algebra 2, Honors Precalculus AP Statistics, AP Calculus, Honors Senior Math*
History	Year-long courses (9 -12) Trimester electives available in 11 and 12	9th, 10th Grade Honors AP US History, AP Government: Comparative
Science	Year-long courses (9 -12) Trimester electives available in 11 and 12	Honors Chemistry AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Physics
World Languages	Year-long courses (9 -12) Trimester elective available in Chinese Literature	Honors Spanish 4/Spanish 5, French 6, Mandarin 4
Computer Science	Trimester electives Year-long course in Computer Science	Topics in Computer Science
IDEAS Center	Trimester electives	Advanced Fabrication Advanced Robotics
Visual Arts	Trimester electives Year-long course in Ceramics	Portfolio Development
Performing Arts	Year-long courses in Band & Chorus Trimester courses available in Music Theory, Technology, and History	Applied Music through the Manhattan School of Music and private study

*Covers a complete second semester college Calculus course (or Calc 2) including topics such as logic, basic topology, and Euler characteristics.

Experiential Learning:

Four Point Program: For 25 years, just before spring break, students have embarked on a journey of self discovery — Ninth Grade Immersion (world travel), Tenth Grade Expression (building creative confidence with Maine artists and philanthropists), Eleventh Grade Awareness (outdoor teamwork and leadership through winter camping expeditions), and Twelfth Grade Independence (solo service projects, internships, and travel experiences).

Manhattan School of Music: Our distance learning partnership with MSM gives students the opportunity to pursue private music study and receive course credit with MSM's acclaimed faculty.

Outdoor Leadership: Gould uses its location in rural Maine as a classroom for developing risk management, critical thinking, executive functioning, and collaboration skills. Many of our students become certified in Outdoor Emergency Care, Wilderness First Aid, Wilderness First Responder, and Avalanche Safety; many more regularly participate in hiking, navigation, paddling, rock climbing, ice climbing, rappelling, surfing, and camping trips.

Community Service: Though not required, Gould students regularly volunteer at the Bethel Food Pantry, the Somali Bantu Youth Center, Maine Adaptive Sports, Sunday River Ski Patrol, and in Math, Writing, and Language Centers here on campus. Many students teach local elementary school children to ski and ride in our RugRats program, offer admissions tours for Gould, and mentor incoming students in their transition to high school.

Class of 2016:

Class Size: 64

Cumulative GPA Mean: 87.3
High: 94.8

The cumulative GPA was calculated at the end of 11th grade for all courses completed at Gould Academy. In light of our selective admissions policy and rigorous curriculum, **Gould Academy does not rank students or weight grades.**

Grading

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D (Passing)	60-69
F	0-59
High Honors	
Honors	92-100
	85-91

Five-Year Matriculation

Recent Gould graduates have matriculated at the following institutions.

Bates College (6)
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music
Boston College (3)
Boston University (6)
Bowdoin College (2)
Brandeis University
Carnegie Mellon University
Champlain College (6)
Clark University
Clarkson University (2)
Colgate University
College of Charleston
College of the Atlantic (3)
Colorado College
Columbia College Chicago (2)
Columbia University
Connecticut College
Dartmouth College (2)
Dickinson College
Drexel University (7)
Eckerd College (2)
Emmanuel College (2)
Endicott College (3)
Franklin and Marshall College
Georgetown University
Hobart and William Smith Colleges (6)
Indiana University at Bloomington (3)
Ithaca College (5)
Kenyon College (2)
Lewis & Clark College (4)
McNally Smith College of Music
Michigan State University (2)
Middlebury College (2)
Montana State University, Bozeman (6)
Mount Holyoke College (3)
New York University
Northeastern University (5)
Pace University, New York City (4)
Pennsylvania State University (6)
Pitzer College
Plymouth State University (2)
Purdue University
Quest University Canada (3)
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (2)
Rhodes College
Roanoke College
Rochester Institute of Technology (2)
Saint Anselm College (3)
Saint Michael's College (11)
Sarah Lawrence College (2)
Savannah College of Art and Design (3)
Scripps College
Skidmore College (3)
Smith College
St. Lawrence University (9)
Stanford University
Suffolk University (8)
Syracuse University (3)
The George Washington University (2)
Trinity College
Tufts University (2)
University of British Columbia (3)
University of California, Los Angeles
University of Chicago
University of Colorado at Boulder (9)
University of Connecticut
University of Denver (2)
University of Florida
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Maine (7)
University of Maine at Farmington (2)
University of Massachusetts, Amherst (3)
University of Michigan
University of New Hampshire (5)
University of Oxford
University of Rochester
University of Vermont (8)
University of Washington
Virginia Military Institute (2)
Washington and Lee University
Washington University in St. Louis (2)
Westminster College (7)
West Point
Whittier College (2)
Williams College (3)
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (3)

AP Classes and Testing (Classes 2016-2017)

Junior Year APs:

30 out of **58** juniors in the **Class of 2017** took **62 AP** classes and exams

- 15 students took 1 AP class
- 9 students took 2-3 AP classes
- 6 students took 4-5 AP classes

39% earned a 4-5

60% earned 3 or higher

Senior Year APs:

42 out of **68** seniors in the **Class of 2016** took **159 AP** classes and exams

- 17 students took 1-2 AP classes
- 11 students took 3-4 AP classes
- 11 students took 5-6 AP classes
- 3 students took 8 or more AP classes

35% earned a 4 or 5

61% earned a 3 or higher

SAT/ACT Testing (Classes 2014-2016):

Middle 50% scores:

SAT CR: 460-600
SAT M: 490-670
ACT Comp: 20-26

Chemistry: 580-740
English Lit: 550-650
Math 1: 580-710
Math 2: 580-800
Physics: 670-740
US History: 420-530

Junior Year Grade Distribution: Class of 2017

Course (total students)	100-95	94-90	89-85	84-80	79-75	74-70	69-65	64-60
English								
AP Literature and Composition (1)		1						
AP Language and Composition (17)		8	8	1				
Honors Literature of the American Experience (10)		5	5					
Literature of the American Experience (20)		2	4	10	4			
Math								
Honors Senior Math (1)		1						
AP Calculus (5)	1	2	1	1				
AP Statistics (4)			4					
Calculus (8)	1	1	2		1	2		1
Honors Precalculus (5)		1	4					
Precalculus (10)		5	4	1				
Algebra 2 (20)		6	4	6	3	1		
History								
AP US History (18)	2	7	7	2				
US History (25)		12	4	7	2			
Science								
AP Biology (1)			1					
AP Chemistry (8)		4	1	3				
AP Physics: Electricity & Magnetism (2)			2					
Biology (41)	2	15	8	11	2	2	1	
Physics (5)		1	1		2		1	
World Language								
Honors Spanish 4 (3)		1	1	1				
Spanish 4 (3)		2	1					
Spanish 3 (9)	1	4	2		2			
French 4 (1)		1						
French 3 (6)		2	1	1	2			
Mandarin 3 (3)	1	1		1				

For full Matriculation and Acceptance lists for the Classes of 2012-2016, visit: gouldacademy.org/academics/college-counseling