

Gould Academy

2018-2019 International Student Fees and Expenses

Tuition

Boarding Tuition is \$61,350
International Student Fee is \$2,500

Method of Payment

When the applicant is accepted, a signed enrollment agreement and deposit is required. Gould Academy will accept payment in the form of check (if drawn from US bank and in US currency), money order, or you may wire the money (see wiring instructions on back). Please see "Payment Plans" on the enrollment agreement for payment options of the balance due after the deposit.

Enrollment Deposit

The International Student non-refundable enrollment deposit is \$10,000. Once the student is enrolled, the non-refundable deposit will be credited toward tuition.

Student Banking

All students have access to an automated teller machine (ATM) located within the main entrance of Ordway Hall. This ATM is not associated with any bank, is for cash-dispensing only (which allows students to withdraw funds for miscellaneous purchases, restaurants, shopping trips, spending money, etc.), and has a low transaction fee of \$1.00.

International Student Debit Account

International Students should ensure they keep sufficient funds to cover weekly allowance, travel and miscellaneous expenses. Parents may make deposits to the Student Debit Account by using Flywire. *Keybank international wiring instructions are available upon request.*

International Fee

In order to make your child's transition to Gould as effortless, safe and comfortable as possible, an international fee of \$2,500 is billed to all students residing outside the United States and Canada. This international fee covers the arrangement of four trips to the Portland International Jetport, early and late access to student housing, November Thanksgiving break accommodations, meals and special activities, administrative assistance with immigration registration and one TOEFL exam. For students in 10th and 11th grade, this fee also covers a choice annual college visit allowance.

International Health Insurance

All Gould students are required to have a comprehensive injury and sickness plan that is accepted by local providers and practitioners. To assist our students, we offer a plan that meets the mandates of State and Federal Law. ISM underwrites this plan, which runs 9/1/2018 to 6/30/2019. Local providers cannot accept medical insurance policies issued in a foreign country or from a company outside of the United States. The cost of this plan in 2017-2018 was \$1,510. You should expect a small increase for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Late Fees

Gould Academy reserves the right to charge late fees on accounts that become more than 30 days past due at a rate of 1.5% per month.

Additional Expenses

These additional expenses may not apply to every family. A student would not be enrolled in any fee-based academic program without prior consultation with the family.

- **Tuition Refund Plan** – Due to the nature of a boarding school's expense structure, it must be understood that students are enrolled for the entire year and the family is responsible for the full year's tuition. This means, for example, that if a student withdraws early in the year, the parent is still liable to the school for the amount of unpaid tuition or will have this amount deducted from any tuition refund calculation before a net cash refund is made.

In view of the foregoing, Gould Academy has made available a Tuition Refund Plan. This plan is underwritten by Hanover Insurance, Inc. **This plan partially refunds unused tuition in the event of absence or withdrawal. It is mandatory that each student be enrolled in this plan unless a full year's tuition is paid prior to the opening of school in the fall.** The plan is also mandatory (with a pro-rated premium) for those students entering during the school year, unless, upon enrolling, tuition fees are paid in full for the remainder of the school year. The fee for enrolling in the Tuition Refund Plan is 3.93% of the tuition (less financial aid), and will be on your first statement from the Business Office.

- **English Studies Program (ESP)** – International students may be required to enroll in an English Studies Program course as part of the academic curriculum at Gould Academy. This intensive program provides the student with the academic skills necessary to be successful in college level English courses, preparation for standardized English tests such as the TOEFL or SAT, and inter-cultural education in an increasingly global society and economy. There are two tiers of ESP: ESP 2&3 and the ESP Tutorial Program. The cost to enroll in ESP 2&3 is \$6,500; the cost for the ESP Tutorial Program is \$5,000. A student's enrollment, and grades, in the ESP Tutorial Program are not included on their official transcript or reported to colleges. Tuition for the English Studies Program is non-refundable in case of dismissal or withdrawal from Gould Academy.

All returning students are re-enrolled in the ESP class they participated in for the 2017-2018 academic year. Students in the ESP 2&3 class and billed \$6,500 and students in the Tutorial class are billed \$5,000; in the Spring, students will be given a WIDA test. WIDA test scores in conjunction with a recommendation from the Academic Steering Committee will determine what ESP level students will be assigned. Students will be notified of their ESP placement by the start of the 2018-2019 Academic year. A student's academic schedule and billing account will then be adjusted appropriately.

- **Academic Skills Program (ASP)**– Gould Academy provides academic support for students with various learning styles. The student to teacher ratio in this program is 2:1. The Academic Skills Program is an additional charge of \$10,000 per academic year. *This fee is nonrefundables.*

Miscellaneous Expenses

Families may want to participate in some of these programs, activities, or services. There is an additional expense related to each item and student participation is based solely on family discretion.

Equestrian program – Gould Academy collaborates with a local stable to provide a limited number of students with training in dressage. Riding is currently available during the fall and spring seasons. There is a charge associated with participating in the equestrian program. Costs vary slightly each year, and families should budget between \$600-\$700 per term, which covers the cost of forty to fifty lessons as well as the use of the facilities, equipment and horses. Boarding of a personal horse as well as the purchase of specialized equipment and clothing would be an additional, optional expense; personal helmets are strongly recommended.

Laundry Service – Card operated washers and dryers are provided in each dormitory. Cards may be purchased and re-loaded in Ordway Hall. Norway Laundry of Norway, Maine, offers off-campus linen service plans. Specific prices for the laundry service plans are available each June by Norway Laundry.

Private Music Lessons – Private instrument or vocal instruction is available. Please contact a music department faculty member to determine any costs associated with private instruction.

Sports & Activity Equipment – Students may be required to purchase special equipment to participate in specific sports or activities. Please contact the Gould Academy Athletic Director for additional information. Some equipment purchases can be charged to the student account.

Other charges – depending on participation, may include transportation to/from airport/appointments, yearbook, laptop insurance, IDEA Center printing/supplies, textbooks, shipping/postage, weekend activities, lost keys/security cards, AP/SAT/PSAT testing and medical costs.

On-Snow Fees

Families may want to participate in our competitive winter programs. There is an additional expense related to each item and student participation is based solely on family discretion.

- **Sunday River Ski Season Pass** – Sunday River offers a discounted season pass for Gould students which can be purchased directly from Sunday River. Cost for the 2017-2018 season pass was \$399 if purchased before December 1, 2017 and \$499 if purchased after that date. You should expect a small increase for the 2018-2019 season. Equipment and clothing would be an additional expense.
- **On-Snow Prep** – The MAISAD program, otherwise known as the Prep Ski Team, includes Alpine and Snowboard, trains from November through February. Participants in this program are charged an additional fee of \$250. This fee is used to help cover transportation and entrance fees to MAISAD races. Expenses in addition to the program fee will be a season ski pass and equipment (skis, boots, bindings, poles, wax, etc.). *There is no refund of this fee after December 15, 2018.*
- **Nordic Team** – This program competes at events locally, regionally and nationally as part of NEPSAC and MPA. Participants in this program are charged an additional fee of \$250 to offset transportation, entrance fees to events, and trail maintenance. Expenses in addition to the program fee will be equipment (skis, boots, bindings, poles, wax, etc.). *There is no refund for this fee after December 15, 2018.*
- **Gould On-Snow Competition program** - Athletes who choose to compete as part of the Gould On-Snow Competition Program, which includes Alpine(USSA/FIS), Snowboarding(USASA/USSA) and Freestyle(USSA), are charged an additional \$3,200 fee. This fee is used to help cover the additional expenses to the school associated with running a high level competition program above and beyond the traditional Prep school athletic program. Expenses in addition to the program fee will be equipment (skis, boots, bindings, poles, etc.), non-Sunday River training camps, travel, lodging, entry fees, USSA dues, MARA dues, FIS dues, and the season pass. Please contact the On-Snow Director for more information. *This fee is nonrefundable. A pro-rated refund will be issued if the athlete sustains a season ending injury, prior to February 28, 2019.*
- **Season long tuning packages** are available at Speed Works Tune shop located in the Gould Kailey Competition Center. Pricing for 2017-2018 package was \$1,300.

INTERNATIONAL PAYMENT METHOD

Gould Academy has partnered with **Flywire** to provide you with an easy and secure method of sending international payments. **Flywire** allows to you:

- Track your payment from start to finish
- Pay from any country and any bank
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