

Gould Academy
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Gould's Mission

Gould 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.

Accreditation

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

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Curriculum:

Gould Academy operates on a trimester system, with students typically enrolled in 5 or 6 courses per trimester. Most Gould students advance well beyond our graduation requirements.

Departments (Graduation Requirements)	College Prep Curriculum	Most Advanced Coursework Offered
English (4)	World Literature European Literature American Literature Electives	Honors Honors Honors or AP Language Honors or AP Literature
Mathematics (3) through Algebra 2	Algebra 1 Geometry Algebra 2 Precalculus Calculus Financial Matters	Honors — Honors Honors AP Calculus AB Honors Senior Math (BC)* —
History (3) to include US History	World History European History US History Electives	Honors Honors AP US History AP Government
Science (3) to include 1 physical and 1 life science	Conceptual Physics Chemistry Biology Physics Electives	— Honors — — AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics
World Languages (2) through level 3	French Mandarin Spanish	French 5/6 Mandarin 4 Honors Spanish 4/ Spanish 5
Arts (1.33) to include both visual and performing	Visual Arts Electives Performing Arts Electives Band Chorus	Portfolio Development Applied Music Study

*Honors Senior Math prepares students for the AP Calculus BC exam and covers a complete second semester college Calculus course (or Calc 2), including topics such as logic, basic topology, and Euler characteristics.

Gould Quick Facts



Our **65** international students come from **17** countries; last year, **83%** of our graduates enrolled in colleges out of state and abroad.



Last year, over **35%** of our students provided English Language instruction and citizenship tutoring to Somaliian refugees in Lewiston, Maine.



Over the past four years, **5** students have won top prizes at the Maine State Science Fair, Intel ISEF, and National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium.



210 Gould students were On-Snow last winter; **108** athletes competed at the highest levels regionally and nationally.



19 scholars have won top prizes at the Camden Conference on foreign affairs and in Maine's WorldQuest Competition.



Over **1000** cups of coffee and bubble tea were sold at our student-run cafe to provide secondary school tuition for a Tanzanian student.



Last year, **10** musicians were selected for District II Honors and **2** were selected for All State.



Over the last two years, **5** students became nationally certified, "jacketed" ski patrollers at Sunday River Ski Resort.



24 Gould students took every polar plunge last spring; **4** seniors took every plunge for all four years.

Signature Programs

IDEAS Center

Gould's Center for Innovation, Design Thinking, Entrepreneurship, Arts and Science is a national leader in design thinking at the secondary level and the hub for social entrepreneurship, maker life, and experiential learning at Gould. Our students practice human-centered learning and have recently authored a successful voter referendum to ban single-use plastic in Bethel; launched cafes for social good; designed custom skis; and recommissioned a REMUS 100 autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV) in conjunction with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

Independent Research

Gould students with advanced ability and interest in science may pursue sustained, independent research in areas of their own design. These students work closely with faculty members and outside mentors to develop year-long projects on discrete topics like naturally occurring pH indicators, reducing corrosion in magnesium alloys, photocatalysts, and the insulating properties of different clothing materials. Students in our science research program compete in state, regional, and international science fairs.

Manhattan School of Music

Our distance learning partnership with MSM gives Gould students the opportunity to pursue advanced private study and receive course credit from masters and doctoral degree candidates at the Manhattan School of Music in New York City ("Applied Music" on our transcript). MSM instructors provide real-time lessons and coach Gould's Chamber Ensemble via fully interactive, high-definition audio and video studios. Gould's MSM students have gone on to conservatory study at Berklee School of Music, Bowdoin College, and Ithaca College School of Music.

Four Point Program

For over 25 years, Gould students have embarked on a four-year journey of self discovery – Ninth Grade "Immersion" (world travel); Tenth Grade "Expression" (building creative confidence through art and community service); Eleventh Grade "Awareness" (outdoor teamwork and leadership through winter camping expeditions); and Twelfth Grade "Independence" (solo service projects, internships, and/or travel). Gould students pride themselves on having completed the four points, the full arc of a Gould story.

Class of 2020

Class Size: 55

Cumulative GPA*

High GPA: 96.7
Middle 50%: 86.7 - 91.5

*Calculated at the end of 11th grade for all courses completed at Gould Academy.

Gould does not rank students or weight grades.

AP Program

Gould offers 11 AP classes to augment our college preparatory curriculum. Students need a departmental recommendation, usually beginning in junior year, to gain admission to these advanced courses. Please note that not all Gould students take AP classes.

Typical AP Course Loads

Eleventh Grade

Overall AP load for the Class of 2020 by the end of junior year:

16% had taken 1 AP class

37% had taken 2 or 3 AP classes

14% had taken 4 or more AP classes

SAT/ACT Testing

(Classes of 2018-19)

	Gould Mean	Maine Average
SAT Total	1220	1013
SAT EBRW	598	512
SAT Math	622	501
ACT Comp	25	24

Grading

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

Five-Year Matriculation (2015 - 2019)

Bold = 2 or more matriculants

** = 4 or more matriculants*

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
BABSON COLLEGE	MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE
BATES COLLEGE*	MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY, BOZEMAN*
BENTLEY UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BERKLEE COLLEGE OF MUSIC	NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL
BOSTON COLLEGE*	NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY*
BOSTON UNIVERSITY*	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
BOWDOIN COLLEGE	UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, ENGLAND
BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY	PACE UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK CITY
UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA	PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
BROWN UNIVERSITY	QUEST UNIVERSITY, CANADA
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY	RENSSALAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS	RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE	UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES	RHODES COLLEGE
CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY	ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY*
COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON	SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, MAINE
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO	SAINT MICHAEL'S COLLEGE*
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI	UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO
CLARK UNIVERSITY	SARAH LAWRENCE COLLEGE
COLBY COLLEGE	SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, BOULDER*	SCRIPPS COLLEGE
COLORADO COLLEGE	SKIDMORE COLLEGE
CONNECTICUT COLLEGE	SMITH COLLEGE
CORNELL UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COLUMBIA
DARTMOUTH COLLEGE	ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY*
DENISON UNIVERSITY	ST. OLAF COLLEGE
UNIVERSITY OF DENVER	STANFORD UNIVERSITY
DICKINSON COLLEGE	SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY
DREXEL UNIVERSITY*	SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY*
ELON UNIVERSITY	TRINITY COLLEGE*
EMMANUEL COLLEGE	UNION COLLEGE, NEW YORK
ENDICOTT COLLEGE	UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY
FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
FORDHAM UNIVERSITY	VASSAR COLLEGE
FRANKLIN & MARSHALL COLLEGE	UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT*
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY*	UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY
GETTYSBURG COLLEGE	WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS
HOBART AND WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGES*	WENTWORTH INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
HUSSON UNIVERSITY	WESTMINSTER COLLEGE*
ITHACA COLLEGE*	WHEATON COLLEGE
JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY	WHITMAN COLLEGE
JOHNSON & WALES UNIVERSITY	WILLIAMS COLLEGE
LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON
LEWIS & CLARK COLLEGE*	WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE*
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE*	
MARIST COLLEGE	
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, AMHERST	
MCGILL UNIVERSITY	
MERCYHURST UNIVERSITY	
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI	

2019 AP Results

60%	3+
33%	4 or 5
14	AP Scholars
6	AP Scholars with Honors
6	AP Scholars with Distinction
1	National AP Scholar

Junior Year Grade Distribution: Class of 2020

Course (total students)	100-95	94-90	89-85	84-80	79-75	74-70	69-65
English							
American Literature (30)		9	8	8	4	1	
AP Language and Composition (17)		14	1	2			
AP Literature and Composition (1)		1					
Math							
Algebra 2 (7)	1	1	1	2	2		
Honors Algebra 2 (1)				1			
Precalculus (16)	4	6	3	1		2	
Honors Precalculus (13)	2	5	1	3	2		
AP Statistics (7)	2	3	2				
AP Calculus-AB (13)	5	4	4				
Honors Senior Math-BC (1)		1					
History							
US History (24)		14	6	4			
AP US History (22)	1	17	4				
AP Government: Comparative (4)		2	2				
Science							
Biology (30)	2	13	8	4	3		
Physics (3)		1		2			
AP Chemistry (8)		5	2	1			
AP Physics: Mechanics (6)		2	2	1	1		
World Languages							
Spanish 3 (9)	2	4	1	2			
Spanish 4 (2)		1	1				
Honors Spanish 4 (1)			1				
Spanish 5 (2)	1	1					
French 3 (6)	3	1	1				1
French 4 (7)	3	2	1	1			
Mandarin 3 (1)			1				