

**Gould Academy**  
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CEEB Code: 200100

### 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 and Associations

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, ACCIS, and ACCEPT.

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

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

\*\* New in 2020 to replace Honors Senior Math: Advanced Topics include BC Calculus, Linear Algebra, Abstract Algebra, and Advanced Geometry.

## Gould Quick Facts



**14** Gould students took every polar plunge last spring; **3** seniors took every plunge for all four years.



**115** Gould students were On-Snow last winter; **103** athletes competed at the highest levels regionally and nationally.



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



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



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.



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



In the past year, **1** alpine athlete participated in the 2019-20 Youth Olympic Games and **1** snowboard athlete was named to the Chinese National team.



In the last 18 months through our **IDEAS Center**, students recommissioned a REMUS 100 autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV) in conjunction with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.



Last year, over **75** students provided English Language instruction and citizenship tutoring to Somalian refugees in Lewiston, Maine.

## 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 the arts and community), **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 journey.

## COVID-19 Updates

### Spring 2020

- Gould moved to remote learning for the third trimester.
- Grading continued on a 100-point scale, and yearlong grades factored in all three trimesters.
- AP students were given the choice about whether to sit for the 2020 AP exams, and many opted out.

### Fall 2020

- Gould reopened for in-person instruction and moved from a 7-class to a 6-class schedule; as a result, some students may have fewer options for electives and fewer "free study periods."
- Each class now meets twice weekly for 75 minutes and has four extended "Applied Learning" blocks per trimester; these AL blocks engage in longer-format, project-based and experiential learning.
- To de-densify classrooms, there are three distinct student groups: in-person, remote on-campus, and remote off-campus.
- Gould remains on a 100-point, unweighted grading system for the 2020-2021 school year.

## Class of 2021

Class Size: 54

### Cumulative GPA\*

High GPA: 96.6

Middle 50%: 86.9 - 92.3

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

**Gould does not rank students or weight grades.**

## Grading

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

## 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, and AP students were not required to take exams in 2020 due to the pandemic.*

## Typical AP Course Loads

### Eleventh Grade

Overall AP load for the Class of 2021 by the end of junior year:

**35%** 0 AP class

**13%** 1 AP class

**39%** 2 or 3 AP classes

**13%** 4 or more AP classes

### Twelfth Grade

Overall AP load for the Class of 2020 by graduation:

**16%** 0 AP classes

**22%** 1 or 2 AP classes

**43%** 3-6 AP classes

**19%** 7 or more AP classes

## 2020 AP Results

<b>62%</b>	3+
<b>30%</b>	4 or 5
<b>8</b>	AP Scholars
<b>5</b>	AP Scholars with Honors
<b>5</b>	AP Scholars with Distinction

## Junior Year Grade Distribution: Class of 2021

Course (total students)	100-95	94-90	89-85	84-80	79-75	74-70	69-65
<b>English</b>							
American Literature (26)	1	5	11	4	3	1	1
AP Language and Composition (22)	2	17	2	1			
<b>Math</b>							
Algebra 2 (6)		3	1	1			1
Honors Algebra 2 (1)		1					
Precalculus (18)	6	1	6	5			
Honors Precalculus (9)	2	4	1	2			
Calculus (3)		1	1		1		
AP Statistics (6)	1	3		1	1		
AP Calculus-AB (9)	3	4	2				
Honors Senior Math-BC (5)	4	1					
<b>History</b>							
US History (25)	2	9	7	4	2	1	
AP US History (23)	2	17	3	1			
<b>Science</b>							
Biology (29)	5	13	9	2			
Physics (3)					1	1	1
AP Biology (1)	1						
AP Chemistry (7)	1	2	4				
AP Physics: Mechanics (6)	1	2	3				
<b>World Languages</b>							
Spanish 3 (10)		7	2	1			
Spanish 4 (3)		2			1		
Honors Spanish 4 (5)		4	1				
Spanish 5 (1)		1					
French 3 (8)	4	3					1
French 4 (2)	1	1					
Mandarin 2 (4)		3		1			

## Five-Year Matriculation (2016 - 2020)

*Bold = 2 or more matriculants*

*\* = 4 or more matriculants*

University of Alaska Anchorage	University of Michigan
<b>American University</b>	<b>Middlebury College</b>
Amherst College	<b>Montana State University*</b>
College of the Atlantic	University of New England
<b>Babson College</b>	<b>University of New Hampshire</b>
<b>Bates College*</b>	<b>New York University*</b>
Bennington College	<b>UNC, Chapel Hill</b>
Bentley University	<b>Northeastern University*</b>
<b>Berklee College of Music</b>	Northwestern University
<b>Bishop's University (CAN)</b>	Pennsylvania State University
<b>Boston College*</b>	<b>Plymouth State University</b>
<b>Boston University*</b>	Purdue University
<b>Bowdoin College*</b>	Quinnipiac University
<b>Brandeis University</b>	Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst.
<b>Univ. of British Columbia (CAN)</b>	<b>Rhode Island School of Design</b>
Brown University	<b>University of Rhode Island</b>
<b>UC, Berkeley</b>	<b>Rhodes College</b>
<b>UC, Davis</b>	<b>Rochester Inst. of Technology*</b>
<b>UC, Irvine</b>	Rutgers University
<b>UC, Los Angeles</b>	<b>Saint Joseph's College (ME)</b>
Castleton University	<b>Saint Michael's College</b>
University of Chicago	<b>University of San Francisco</b>
<b>Clark University</b>	Sarah Lawrence College
Clarkson University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Colby College	<b>School of the Art Institute of Chicago*</b>
Colby-Sawyer College	Scripps College
<b>Univ. of Colorado at Boulder*</b>	<b>Skidmore College</b>
Connecticut College	Smith College
Cornell University	<b>University of South Carolina</b>
<b>Dartmouth College</b>	<b>University of Southern Maine</b>
<b>Denison University</b>	Springfield College
<b>University of Denver</b>	<b>St. Lawrence University*</b>
DePauw University	<b>St. Olaf College</b>
Dickinson College	Stanford University
<b>Drexel University*</b>	Stetson University
Elon University	<b>Suffolk University</b>
<b>Emmanuel College</b>	SUNY College of Environmental Science
<b>Endicott College</b>	<b>Syracuse University*</b>
Fordham University	University of Tampa
Franklin & Marshall College	Thomas College
<b>George Washington University*</b>	<b>Trinity College*</b>
Georgia Institute of Technology	Union College (NY)
Gettysburg College	U.S. Air Force Academy
Grove City College	University of Oxford (ENG)
<b>Hobart William Smith Colleges</b>	University of Utah
<b>Husson University</b>	Vassar College
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	<b>University of Vermont*</b>
<b>Ithaca College*</b>	Villanova University
Johns Hopkins University	Washington Univ. in St. Louis
<b>Johnson &amp; Wales University</b>	University of Washington
Lake Forest College	Wentworth Inst. of Technology
<b>Lewis &amp; Clark College</b>	<b>Westminster College (UT)</b>
<b>Loyola Univ. New Orleans</b>	Wheaton College (MA)
<b>University of Maine*</b>	Whitman College
Maine Maritime Academy	William and Mary
Marist College	<b>Williams College</b>
<b>University of Massachusetts, Amherst</b>	<b>Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison</b>
McGill University	<b>Worcester Polytechnic Inst.*</b>
Mercyhurst University	University of Wyoming
University of Miami	
<b>Michigan State University</b>	