

A photograph of two young women, one with long brown hair and one with long dark hair, focused on assembling a LEGO Mindstorms robot. They are in a classroom or workshop setting. The woman on the left is wearing a black long-sleeved shirt, and the woman on the right is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt and brown pants. The robot is built on a white base and has a black wheel. The background is blurred, showing other students and classroom equipment.

ACADEMICS



MISS
HALL'S
SCHOOL



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STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO

39
LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY MISS HALL'S STUDENTS

110
INNOVATIVE COURSES OFFERED EACH YEAR

11
AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

"I AM SURROUNDED BY YOUNG WOMEN WHO ENJOY AND VALUE LEARNING AS MUCH AS I DO."

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"NEVER HAVE I EXPERIENCED A MORE INSPIRING AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY THAT BELIEVES 100% IN THE POWER OF GIRLS."

A talented, supportive community of learners awaits you at Miss Hall's School. Our faculty are dedicated mentors who are passionate about their subjects and creative in their teaching, unafraid to ditch the textbook in favor of collaborative, project-based learning.

Each student at MHS designs her own academic path. She develops her voice in our energized classrooms and studios, on our stages, and through experiential internships that expand her Horizons. The forward-thinking curriculum at MHS embraces broad perspectives and invites students into the driver's seat to discover what is important to them.

In more than four decades of teaching and leading schools, never have I experienced a more inspiring and inclusive community that believes 100 percent in the power of girls.

We believe in you.

Lisa J. Alberti '73
Dean of Academics and Faculty



FORGING YOUR OWN PATH



FOUNDATIONAL COURSES

These girl-centered classes are essential for college-prep and lay the groundwork for advanced study.

- » English
- » French, Spanish, and Latin I, II, III
- » World and U.S. History
- » Algebra and Geometry
- » Physics, Chemistry, Biology
- » Understanding Art, Music Fundamentals

ELECTIVE COURSES

Dozens of electives allow upperclasswomen to take intellectual risks and explore new areas.

- » A History of Race in the U.S.
- » Intro to Law
- » Gallery and Arts Administration
- » Textile and Garment Design
- » The Body in Society
- » Forensics



“I LOVE THE TOPIC OF THE CLASS, HOW PASSIONATE THE TEACHER IS ABOUT THE SUBJECT, THE FACT THAT MY CLASSMATES ARE AS INVESTED AS I WAS, AND THE ALL-AROUND POSITIVE ENERGY IN THE CLASSROOM. I THRIVE IN THIS KIND OF SUPPORTIVE, FUN, AND PRODUCTIVE ENVIRONMENT.”

LOMESIA '20

LEFT: Students trying their hands at cleaning soil from recently excavated archeological material brought to campus by a University at Albany zooarchaeologist.

HALLMARK COURSES

Dynamic opportunities for deep investigation and abstract thought, Hallmark courses stretch students by providing in-depth, challenging coursework and personalized learning.

- » Literary Ghosts
- » Rethinking the Mediterranean: Late Antiquity to the Renaissance
- » Advanced Humanities Seminar
- » Hallmark French, Latin, and Spanish
- » Project-Based Statistics
- » Environmental Science

ONLINE COURSES

Courses offered through One Schoolhouse allow students to expand their learning in myriad subjects beyond the MHS campus via global, online schoolroom communities.

- » Engineering
- » Linear Algebra
- » Art History
- » Microeconomics
- » Multivariable Calculus
- » Neuroscience
- » Psychology

HUMANITIES



“IT’S OUR JOB TO MAKE SURE GIRLS HAVE THE CHANCE TO BE MAGNIFICENT. THAT’S WHAT WE DO.”

MATT RUTLEDGE
HISTORY DEPARTMENT CHAIR
MHS TEACHER SINCE 1991

HISTORY

Students of History at Miss Hall’s School think critically. By debating historical positions, discussing controversial issues, and defending opinions in a supporting, respectful atmosphere, girls develop an appreciation for diverse social, political, economic, and cultural perspectives.

- » Egyptian Art and Archaeology
- » Historical Bioarchaeology
- » Digital History
- » Cultural Anthropology

ENGLISH

English students at MHS value, explore, and analyze a wide range of literature and learn how to express original ideas. In class, they engage in deep thought and conversation, showing a commitment to their learning and a willingness to challenge themselves intellectually and creatively.

- » Translations
- » Contemporary and Diverse Voices in Poetry
- » Jeffrey Eugenides’ *Middlesex*
- » Literature & the Environment

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Mastery of a language is a powerful way to explore a new culture. Through a wide range of language courses, Miss Hall’s students dive into history, geography, literature, customs, traditions, and arts as they learn, write, and speak.

- » French
- » Latin
- » Spanish
- » Chinese Language and Culture

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Small classes are designed to provide intensive support for international students. Emphasis is placed on building comprehension and strengthening written and oral skills, which enables a healthy adjustment to the Miss Hall’s community.

HORIZONS

A ONE-OF-A-KIND PROGRAM

“AS A SENIOR, MY HORIZONS SITE IS GEARED TO WHAT MY MAJOR IS GOING TO BE IN COLLEGE. THIS SETS ME APART FROM OTHER APPLICANTS AND PROVIDES ME WITH WORKPLACE EXPERIENCE THAT NOT MANY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HAVE.”

HANNAH '20



Through weekly on- and off-campus internships, volunteer opportunities, and student-led projects, all MHS students spend Thursdays developing leadership skills, exploring career interests, and making a difference in the world around them.

Horizons is an experiential course of study that builds year-over-year.

- » **Ninth-graders** dive into diversity, equity, and inclusion workshops; community and team-building; and collaborative entrepreneurship through the Greenhouse Project.
- » **Sophomores** move off-campus, volunteering and immersing in the environmental and socio-economic landscapes of New England.
- » As **juniors**, students identify their passions, study nonprofits, and gain important experience furthering the common good.
- » Horizons culminates with a **senior-year**, pre-professional internship at one of more than 75 Horizons sites around the Berkshires.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, & MATH



MATH

The MHS Mathematics program is designed to ensure each girl reaches her full math potential and is prepared for college-level courses. Students develop tools to solve real-world problems and gain access to a technology-driven world.

- » Topics in Modern Mathematics
- » Hallmark Project-Based Statistics
- » Precalculus Honors
- » Differential Calculus

SCIENCE

Science at Miss Hall's brings out the natural, bold curiosity innate in all of us. Young women are empowered to investigate, question, and wonder about the world around them and to become scientifically literate global citizens.

- » Women's Health & Global Issues
- » Hallmark Environmental Science
- » Biology: Genetics & Biotechnology
- » Advanced Physics



A WHOLE DEPARTMENT FOR INNOVATION

Housed in Linn Hall, our state-of-the-art STEAM building completed in 2016, the Grace Murray Hopper Innovation Lab is where young women explore robotics, electronics, 3D printing, and computer programming, and delve into sectors that represent jobs of the future. Engineering and Technology Innovation courses include:

- » Robotics I, II
- » Intro to Computer Science
- » Engineering and Society
- » STEAM
- » Computers and Programming

“THE THING I ENJOY MOST ABOUT SCIENCE IS THAT THERE ARE ALWAYS THINGS TO LEARN AND DISCOVER. SCIENCE AT MISS HALL'S IS EXPLORATORY AND HANDS-ON.”

RANDI '21

EXPRESSIVE ARTS



“MISS HALL’S IS A PLACE TO GROW, AN INCUBATOR FOR INNOVATIVE IDEAS.”

**ELLIE SPANGLER
ARTIST
EXPRESSIVE ARTS TEACHER**



At MHS, we believe the arts are an intrinsic part of the human experience. Twenty-six courses in the visual and performing arts challenge students to experiment with new forms of creativity, gain respect for artistic tradition, and find their artistic voice. Our Expressive Arts offerings include:

- » Instrumental Music Ensembles
- » Vocal Ensemble
- » Independent Study
- » Private Music Instruction
- » Studio Art I, II, III
- » Photography I, II, III
- » Ceramics I, II, III
- » Filmmaking
- » Hallmark Art Intensive
- » Gallery and Arts Administration
- » Drama and Performance
- » Theater Ensemble
- » Technical Theater

“FOR A STUDENT WHO LOVES MUSIC AND THEATER AND WANTS TO PERFORM, THERE ARE MANY, MANY OPPORTUNITIES: GRACE NOTES A-CAPPELLA, DRAMA QUEENS ACTING CLUB, TRANSFORMING THE BLACK BOX THEATER SPACE IN ANY WAY THAT SUITS HER.”

**JENNIFER JORDAN
DIRECTOR OF THEATER AND DANCE
DAY STUDENT ADVISOR**

ACADEMIC RESOURCES



As a small school, Miss Hall's offers a variety of resources to make sure each student has the skills she needs to pursue her interests and talents. This individual attention and guidance empowers girls to be their best selves and reach their full potential as students who challenge themselves to do their best work.

THE HUMES EUSTON HALL LIBRARY

With thousands of books and periodicals, extensive digital resources, and comfy chairs around the fireplace, the Humes Euston Hall Library is a hub of imagination and curiosity, a place where ideas empower students to become ethical users and creators of information.

THE MELISSA A. LEONHARDT '76 ACADEMIC SKILLS CENTER

Anyone can drop in for tips and coaching, and more intensive academic support is offered by Learning Specialists.

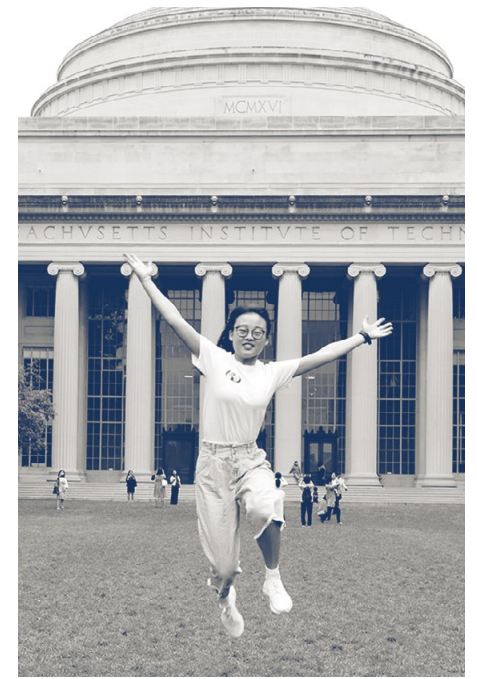
Plus, an abundance of other resources, including:

- » **The Pamela Humphrey Firman '31 Writing Center**, where students get one-on-one support from peers and teachers on everything from science papers and artists' statements to term papers and college essays;
- » **The Math Center**, featuring individual and small-group tutoring sessions;
- » **Math and Science Peer Tutors**, who provide academic support to students in science and math courses from the introductory level through upper-level courses.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

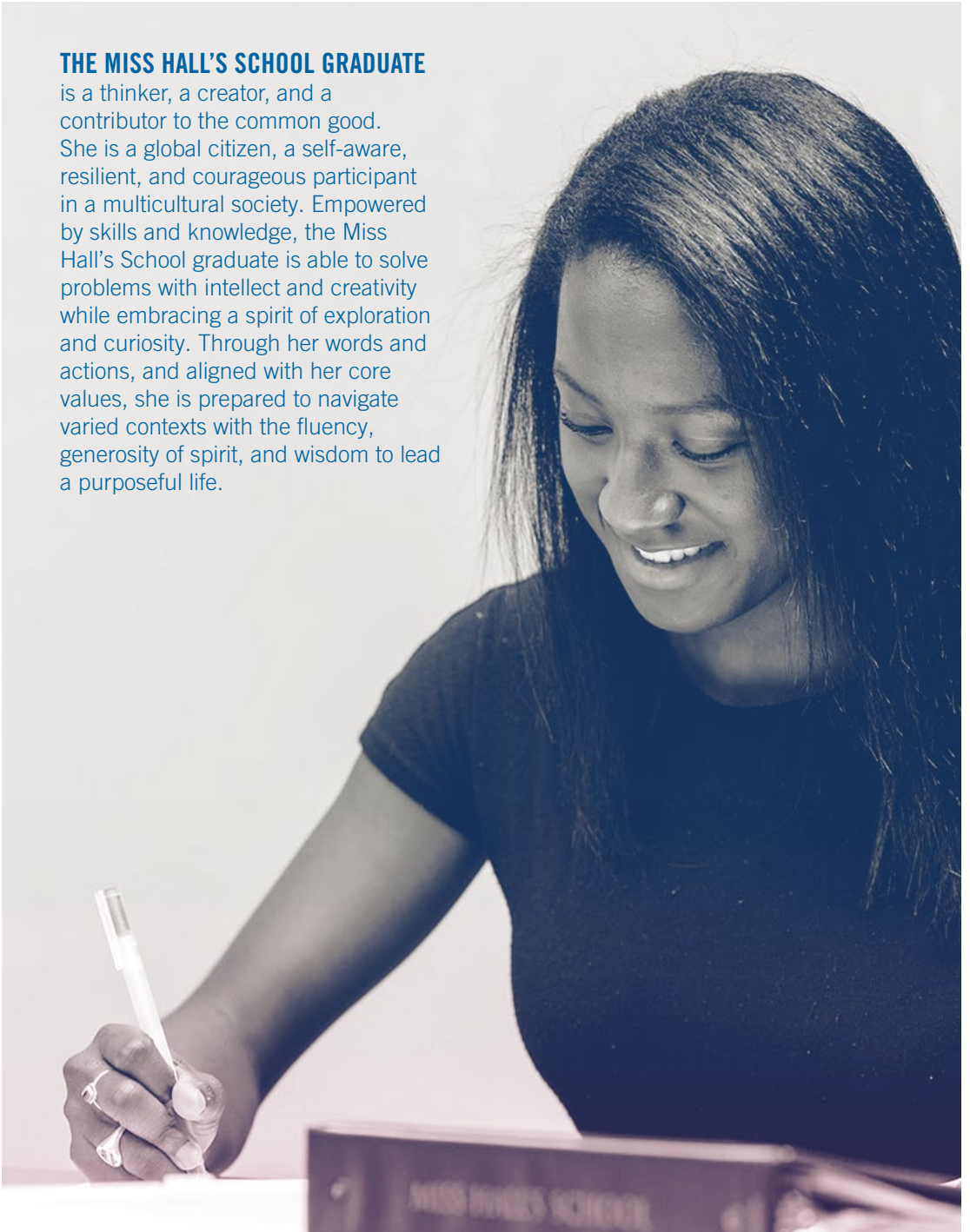
MHS students are accepted at prestigious colleges and universities of their choice around the globe, including:

Amherst College
 Babson College
 Bates College
 Brown University
 Bryn Mawr College
 Bucknell University
 Carleton College
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Colgate University
 Colorado College
 Cornell University
 Dartmouth College
 Duke University
 George Washington University
 Georgetown University
 Hamilton College
 Harvard University
 Haverford College
 Johns Hopkins University
 Mass. Inst. of Technology
 McGill University
 Middlebury College
 Mount Holyoke College
 New York University
 Oberlin College
 Princeton University
 Rhode Island School of Design
 School of the Art Inst. of Chicago
 Smith College
 Swarthmore College
 Tufts University
 Vassar College
 Wesleyan University
 Williams College
 Yale University



THE MISS HALL'S SCHOOL GRADUATE

is a thinker, a creator, and a contributor to the common good. She is a global citizen, a self-aware, resilient, and courageous participant in a multicultural society. Empowered by skills and knowledge, the Miss Hall's School graduate is able to solve problems with intellect and creativity while embracing a spirit of exploration and curiosity. Through her words and actions, and aligned with her core values, she is prepared to navigate varied contexts with the fluency, generosity of spirit, and wisdom to lead a purposeful life.



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