

Gould

The Whole Person. The Whole World. One Student at a Time.



Get to Know Gould

1836

YEAR
FOUNDED

456

ACRE
CAMPUS

12

STEINWAY PIANOS
ON CAMPUS



MASCOT
(HUSKY)

3

THERAPY
DOGS

6:1

STUDENT TO
FACULTY RATIO

11

AVERAGE CLASS
SIZE

230

STUDENTS

FROM 13 COUNTRIES & 19 STATES

99% COLLEGE
PLACEMENT



Gould is located in the
Western Mountains of Maine

- 170 miles to Boston
- 68 miles to Portland, Maine
- 6 miles to Sunday River Resort



Discover
What's
Possible at
Gould

Colleges **Gould** Alumni Attend
Dartmouth **Williams**
Bowdoin **Middlebury**
Stanford University

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON, DC

Bates **Tufts** **NYU**
UNIVERSITY

ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY **RISD**

Northwestern

Discover what you can do at **Gould**.



Academics

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Gould is passionate about developing academically motivated students and preparing them for college and beyond. Our thoughtfully designed curriculum and dedicated faculty guide and support students to become independent-minded, ethical citizens who will lead lives of purpose, action, excellence, and compassion in a dynamic world.

Student-Centered Learning.

In addition to a challenging core curriculum Gould offers 24 advanced placement and honors classes.



Explore new paths to approaching an assignment during evening study hall in the writing, math, or world language help centers, or during dedicated faculty office hours.

Harkness-style discussions give every student a seat at the table. There are no back rows in our student-centered classrooms.



Our unique location in the mountains of western Maine allows our students to learn beyond the classroom; exploring the world around them.

What is unique and special about Gould is that it helps us view each other as essential members of this community. Competition is not as important as the courage to turn our ideas into actions. It's what makes the difference in our lives and in our world."

– Minjeong “Zoe” Kim
2019 Valedictorian



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Experiential Learning

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As Gould students step foot on campus, they are almost immediately whisked away to hike in the White Mountains or paddle the Rangeley Lakes. Adventures like these help students connect with fellow classmates and faculty, and are a precursor to the many experiential learning opportunities to come. From community service to traveling abroad, immersive experiences like these shape our students into skilled, responsible, global citizens.

Learn by Doing.

Students in the Outing Club paddle, climb, and hike their way around Western Maine, exploring the mountains, woods, and waterways that make up Maine's pristine wilderness.



Farm & Forest Program participants get their hands dirty and learn by doing through agriculture and environmental stewardship in our student-built barn and in our community forests.

Tutors provide mentorship for new Mainers through our civic engagement partnership with Maine Immigration and Refugee Services.



Place-based science courses allow students to study the ecology of the Androscoggin River in the lab and catch native brook trout on the river with master Maine Guides.

“Experiential learning happens everywhere at Gould. My hope is that through all of these experiences, students truly dive in, take on challenges, and realize that they are capable of doing anything they set their minds to.”

– **Chris Hayward P’16, ’19**
Director of Experiential Learning



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Four Point

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Four Point is a signature program at Gould. Each year students embark on a journey of self-discovery. Eighth graders explore the world around them, ninth graders immerse themselves in new cultures, tenth graders develop their creative confidence through workshops and community service. Eleventh graders venture into the woods on winter camping excursions and twelfth graders complete an independent service project they are passionate about.

Discover the World, and Yourself.

Ninth Grade – Immersion



Students travel to locations like Morocco, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, and Tanzania to experience new cultures and broaden their views.

Eleventh Grade – Awareness

Eight days of orienteering and winter camping in the White Mountains. Students learn about themselves, their peers, the benefits of teamwork, personal responsibility, and that they are capable of doing challenging things.



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These skills are essential in life and this is much more than a wilderness trip, it is a journey into each and every student's person, and helps them figure out who they are and who they want to be. Students learn that they can take on daunting tasks and that they can work as a team, be creative, and get through anything they put their minds to.”

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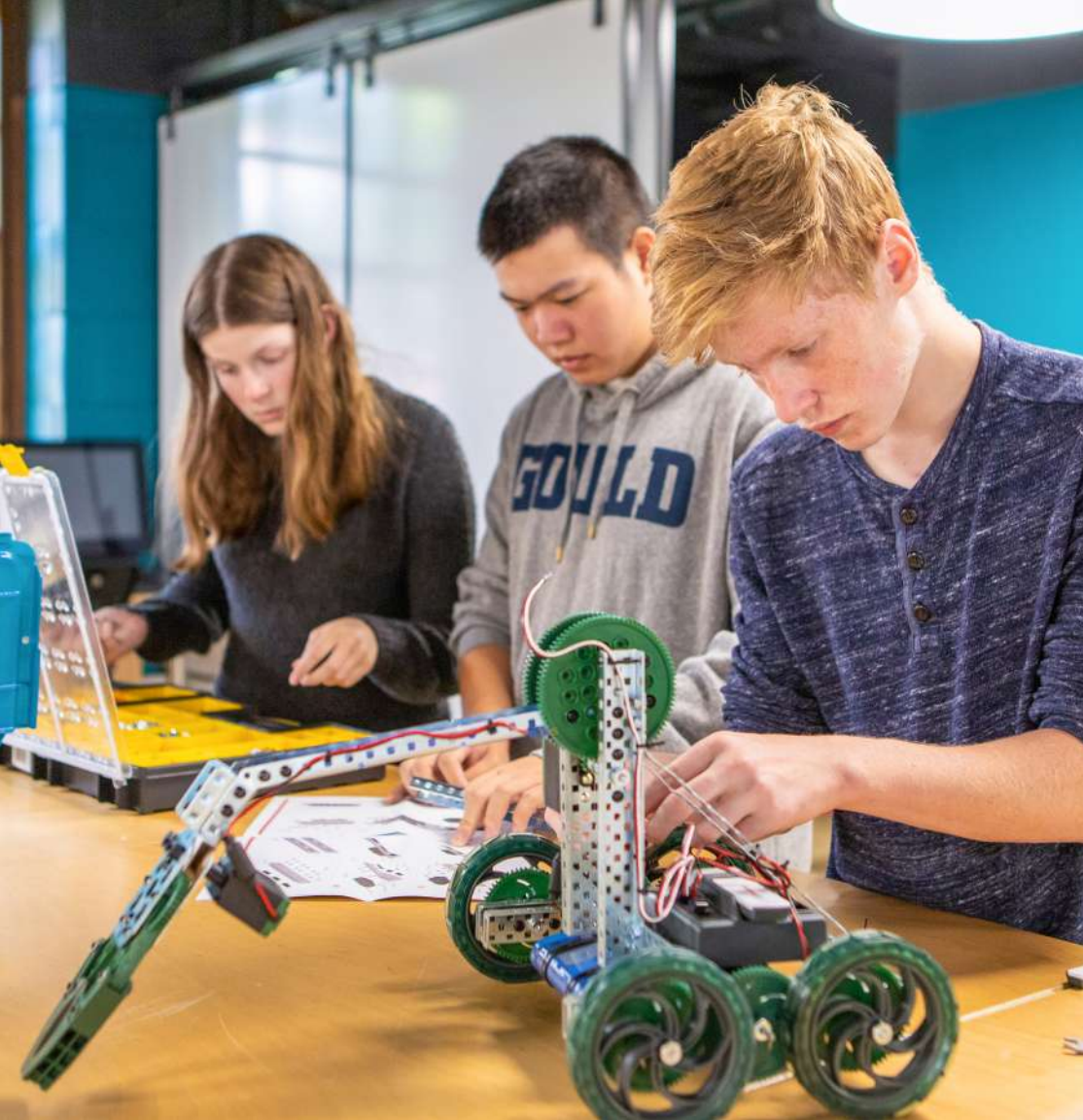
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Marlon Family
IDEAS Center

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The hands-on learning, critical thinking skills, and collaboration that students experience in the IDEAS Center empower them to solve real problems and to effect change in their communities.

Whether it's rapid prototyping, circuitry, robotics, audio and video production, or woodworking, these activities foster entrepreneurship and creativity. When students apply design thinking to STEM questions, they find fresh, creative solutions.

Bring Your IDEAS to Life.

Based on years of practice at the Institute of Design at Stanford, the Design Thinking Studio within the IDEAS Center is a flexible learning environment that fosters open-minded exploration and collaboration.



Students learn to apply the iterative process to take ideas from conception to completion. Utilizing cutting edge technology and traditional building techniques students develop a mastery of skills while improving self-confidence.

IDEAS: Innovation, Design Thinking, Entrepreneurship, Arts, and Science



Students can build their own custom skis or snowboard, design an ROV, or record their own podcast in one of our three maker studios.



The IDEAS Center is the hub of Gould's convergent learning—ideas from all classes and interests from any student find a place to learn new skills and gain support to make a difference in the world.”

– Sara Whalen Shifrin '88, P'19,'23
Director of Innovation



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College Counseling

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At Gould, college advising is less of a process and more of an experience that entails learning, self-discovery, and personal growth.

The goal is to help students navigate their search and find the right next place for them. A place where they can continue their journey to becoming independent-minded, ethical citizens who will lead lives of purpose, action, excellence, and compassion in a dynamic world.

Chart Your Course.

Students connect with their college counselors one-on-one and in small groups to take an active role in their course choices and extracurricular planning.



Our goal is to pair each student with a college or university that best matches their individual talents, passions, and ambitions.

Experienced counselors advise students on testing requirements, essay writing, and how to best present themselves on college applications.



COLLEGE

Seniors have dedicated time each fall for college visits, writing essays, and completing their college applications.

“The College Counseling staff went above and beyond to help our son develop a personalized list of schools that reflected both his academic interests and his love of the outdoors. They gave him close support at every step of the application process.”

– Gould Parent



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Visual & Performing Arts

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Whether it's throwing a pot on the wheel, soloing in the jazz ensemble, handcrafting a piece of jewelry, or working with an instructor online through our Manhattan School of Music, opportunities to find and develop artistic passions abound at Gould.

The Visual and Performing Arts Programs provide opportunities for self-discovery while challenging students to connect with their creative potential. It is an invaluable part of the Gould journey.

Ignite Your Creativity.

Performing Arts students can participate in two dramatic theater productions each year—a fall play and spring musical—which expose students to different genres of theater.

Gould artists have gone on to nurture their talents at schools such as the Pratt Institute, the Rhode Island School of Design and the Berklee College of Music.

In the Art Cottage students have access to individual studios and a space for exhibiting work in the Owen Art Gallery.



Orchestral musicians have the opportunity to play in the Mahoosuc Community Band, a collaboration between Gould students and members of the surrounding communities that performs concerts throughout year.



With 12 Steinway pianos on campus, Gould Academy shares the All-Steinway School designation with schools such as Juilliard and the Yale School of Music.



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Academic
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Gould's Academic Skills Program provides individualized supports for students with diverse learning styles; teaching them the skills needed to become independent learners. Working with dedicated ASP teachers, students develop their executive functioning skills and build strategies to succeed in their coursework. The individualized approach also addresses the needs of the whole student, their social-emotional well-being, as well as their academic performance.

Education Tailored to You.

Students are not limited in their curriculum choices. Many are enrolled in honors and advanced placement courses.



The Academic Skills Center is open during evening study hall hours and staffed by our learning specialists for additional small group and individual support in a distraction free environment.

Each student enrolled in Academic Skills receives an individualized learning plan.



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Academic Skills classes are built into the schedule. Students meet two-on-one with learning specialists.

“ASP has been instrumental in helping our son to be more productive and efficient at school. He works closely with faculty to plan out his academic work and activities while prioritizing the time it will take to complete it. These are tools that he will utilize in college and beyond.”

– Kim & John Galluzzo P'19

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Competitive On Snow



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Gould is a gold-certified club, the highest honor awarded by U.S. Ski & Snowboard.

What distinguishes Gould from other boarding schools and ski academies is our ability to provide students with a robust academic curriculum and rich experiential learning opportunities, while also supporting their athletic endeavors.

Thanks to our proximity and partnership with Sunday River, just six miles from campus, Gould's competitive on-snow athletes benefit from exclusive training venues and unequalled training opportunities on the most reliable snow in the East.

Gould Knows Snow.

Alpine

Gould's comprehensive alpine program is designed to develop technical race skills through a blend of directed free skiing and gate training.

Our professionally certified coaches support the long-term development of our athletes and prepare them for the highest levels of competition including USSA, FIS, and beyond.

Nordic

With access to an on-campus network of groomed terrain, including a 25-kilometer competition venue, our Nordic athletes have a distinct competitive edge.

With a focus on the long-term development of the athlete through year-round training, our coaches support athletes as they train to compete at the highest levels in Nordic.

Freestyle

Whether it's moguls, big mountain skiing, or slopestyle, Gould's freestyle program offers athletes the best facilities and coaches to achieve their highest potential.

A dedicated mogul course and terrain park at Sunday River, in addition to a trampoline and a dry slope airbag training facilities on-campus, give our athletes a distinct advantage.

Snowboard & Ski Cross

Exceptional coaches, dedicated training venues, and balanced programming allow our athletes to compete at the highest level in SBX and slopestyle.

With three terrain parks and an airbag jump at Sunday River, as well as a trampoline and dry slope airbag training facilities on campus, Gould supports athletes training from the USASA to World Cup levels.



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Alpine



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Gould's comprehensive alpine training program provides an unsurpassed experience for athletes training to reach their highest potential. We focus on developing the whole skier by building a strong technical foundation and understanding of tactics. We strive to create an environment where training hard and working towards a goal is an enjoyable process for the athlete. A lifelong passion for and sense of identity in the sport is the overarching goal.

Gould Knows Snow.

We provide year round strength and conditioning training as well as an optimized winter schedule that maximizes our student-athlete's time on snow.

Our professionally certified coaches support the long-term development of our athletes and prepare them for the highest levels of competition including USSA, FIS, and beyond.

Athletes from our program have gone on to race for top NCAA and USCSA college teams as well hold professional positions for the U.S. Ski Team and other prestigious alpine programs around the world.



Focus on the process has been the foundation of my coaching philosophy from day one at Gould including today. Without a doubt, Gould prepared me for a future as a coach and was a major important stepping stone for me in my career.

– **Sasha Rearick '95**
U.S. Ski Team Head Coach (2007-2018)



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Freestyle



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Gould's Freestyle Program fosters each athlete's passion for skiing. Whether it's moguls, big mountain skiing, or park/rail jams, Gould offers athletes some of the best facilities and coaches to achieve their highest potential.

All winter Gould athletes find hidden stashes in the woods, hit rails in the park, and get after powder days. From first-timers to seasoned competitors, our program progression is designed to support the development of athletes of all abilities.

Gould Knows Snow.

We provide year round strength and conditioning training as well as an optimized winter schedule that maximizes our student-athlete's time on snow.

Our professionally certified coaches support the long-term development of our athletes and prepare them for the highest levels of competition including USSA, USASA, and FIS.

With an air bag jump at Sunday River, as well as a trampoline and bag jump facility on campus, Gould student-athletes perfect aerials on dry-land before taking them on snow.



Just six miles from Sunday River, one of the northeast's premier ski resorts, students have access to three terrain parks, a dedicated mogul course, and an exclusive slopeside lodge.

“There are few places in the world where so many people are dedicated to and share the common goal of developing world-class student athletes. The relationship between the Gould and Sunday River does just that, creating an unparalleled learning and training environment.”

— **John Kimble**
Freestyle Program Director



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Nordic



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Gould Academy has a long, rich history of developing Nordic skiers by focusing on the long-term goals of the student-athlete through technique work and year-round training.

Within proximity to a vast network of groomed terrain including a world-class, 25-kilometer competition venue, and access to professional coaching that is tailored to the individual, our Nordic athletes have a distinct competitive edge.

Gould Knows Snow.

We provide year round strength and conditioning training as well as an optimized winter schedule that maximizes our student-athlete's time on snow.



Nordic skiers compete in FIS, USSA, NENSA, and SuperTour or NorAm competitions as well as Junior and Senior National, and Junior World championships for Nordic.

Our professionally certified coaches prepare student-athletes for placement at top NCAA and USCSA collegiate programs.

Gould boasts an on-campus 40-km groomed trail system and a world-class 25-kilometer lighted race venue surrounding our Pine Hill Yurt.



The school is dedicated to seeing the Nordic Program reach new heights. There is a legacy of excellence in cross-country skiing here. We've got a winning combination that's unstoppable.

– **Ben Kamilewicz '95**
Athletic Director
Head Nordic Coach



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Snowboard



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Gould's Snowboard programs provide a world-class experience from the development stage to training for international competition. Riders benefit from the perfect blend of hard work, dedicated coaches, a high-quality training facility at Sunday River, and balanced programming in snowboardcross (SBX), slopestyle, and alpine racing.

Gould Knows Snow.

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Our professionally certified coaches support the long-term development of our athletes and prepare them for the highest levels of competition including USASA, and FIS.

With an air bag jump at Sunday River, as well as a trampoline and bag jump facility on campus, Gould student-athletes perfect aerials on dry-land before taking them on snow.



We have something special here. The snowboard program has taken me from local USASA contests to the World Cup. All while providing a high-quality education. Gould's level of academics and snowboarding can't be found anywhere else in the world.

— **Tyler Hamel '22**
US Snowboard Development Team



Just six miles from Sunday River, one of the northeast's premier snowboard resorts, students have access to three terrain parks, a dedicated SBX course, and an exclusive slopeside lodge.



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Winter
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Gould's Winter Term program is designed for competitive Alpine, Freestyle/Freeride/Freeski, Nordic, and Snowboarding student-athletes who want to maximize their winter on snow and in the classroom.

Exclusively for seventh- and eighth-grade on-snow student-athletes, the program runs concurrently with Gould's winter trimester from mid-November through the end of competitions in March.

Gould Knows Snow.

Winter Term students train six days a week with Gould's competitive on-snow teams under the direction of a full-time, dedicated coaching staff.

Gould's academic program is built around prime training time and Winter Term students are supported at every local and regional race and competition.

Winter Term students attend morning assembly and formal dinners, as well as participate in special campus-wide events like Winter Carnival and Snow Ball.



Just six miles from Sunday River, one of the northeast's premier ski resorts, students have access to dedicated training venues, a private surface lift, and an exclusive slopeside lodge.

The Winter Term Program is an ideal way for student-athletes to discover everything that Gould has to offer while training competitively in a sport they love.



Sunday River.

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On Snow Co-Curricular



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At Gould we love and celebrate winter! 90% of our students participate in some form of on-snow activity. For some students, that's an introduction to skiing and riding, for others, it's an opportunity to explore and gain professional learning experience as instructors and first responders through Gould's signature on-snow co-curricular programs.

Thanks to our proximity and partnership with Sunday River, just six miles from campus, Gould students are able to learn by doing on the slopes while taking advantage of all that Maine winters offer.

Gould Knows Snow.



Gould Academy's Ski Patrol Program is the only one of its kind recognized by the National Ski Patrol. Students complete 80+ hours of training alongside Sunday River ski patrollers before becoming certified "jacketed" ski patrollers, which qualifies them to patrol at any resort in the United States.



Learn to Ski & Ride

The Gould Learn to Ski & Ride program is designed for students with less formal on-snow training.

The goal is to learn the fundamental skills required to ski and ride independently.

Many students quickly gain proficiency at skiing and riding, and move into the competitive Prep Alpine or Snowboard programs.



Through our unique partnership with Sunday River Snowsports School and Crescent Park Elementary School, students can work with local elementary school children to provide instruction in skiing and riding.

Together, our student instructors and these young community members develop a lifelong passion for winter sports.



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Athletics

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Through dedication, teamwork, and spirited competition, our student-athletes achieve their best while also establishing a balanced and healthy lifestyle. Gould offers a diverse selection of sports to help students discover and develop their passions while having fun too!

From our signature On Snow Programs to niche sports like mountain biking, skateboarding, and equestrian, we believe that learning through experience is an essential part of the Gould journey.

Join the Pack.



Just six miles from Sunday River, our athletes have access to dedicated training venues, a private surface lift, an exclusive slopeside lodge, and professionally certified coaches.

Multi-purpose athletic facilities including a field house, turf field, tennis courts, indoor skate park, and a championship 18-hole golf course just steps from campus.



GOULD ATHLETIC TEAMS

Alpine	Lacrosse
Baseball	Mtn. Biking
Basketball	Nordic
Cross Country	Skateboarding
Cycling	Ski Cross
Equestrian	Snowboarding
Field Hockey	Soccer
Freestyle	Softball
Golf	Tennis



Seven miles to our enduro training venue, Mt. Abram, a lift accessible downhill mountain bike park.

A network of more than 40km of trails on campus for Nordic skiing, cross country running, and Mountain Biking at Pine Hill.

High-performance program with athletic trainer and certified strength and conditioning coaches.



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Mountain Biking

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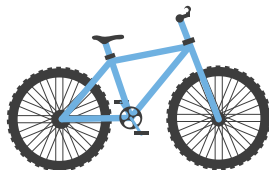


Gould Mountain Biking (MTB) is a comprehensive program that includes cross country, enduro, and downhill racing. The experienced coaching and the depth of talented athletes have contributed to the program's continuous success.

Bethel is at the heart of a burgeoning mountain bike scene in Western Maine. From lift accessible downhill to an expansive and growing trail network, Gould student-athletes have access to the most extensive and varied terrain in the Northeast.

Shift into High Gear.

Three race-length singletrack courses on campus and access to a vast network of trails locally.



Gould MTB racers have gone on to bike for schools such as Lees-McRae College, University of Vermont, the University of Colorado at Boulder, and Lewis and Clark College.

Gould's Lieblein Performance Center has dedicated space for bike service, repair, and storage.



Seven miles to our enduro training venue, Mt. Abram, a lift accessible downhill mountain bike park.



“Mountain biking at Gould has so many opportunities to grow and find a true passion for riding bikes through racing and riding with friends.

— Hanna Weinman '24

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International Studies

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Our International Program is an all-encompassing support system that facilitates English language development and cultural immersion for students from abroad.

A truly global community is vibrant, diverse, and synergetic. Our faculty and staff understand that cultural differences exist and work to address, celebrate, and include this diversity in the classroom and in all aspects of Gould life.

A Home Away from Home.

Gould offers a comprehensive orientation upon arrival that helps international students acclimate to campus life and the surrounding community.



Gould's Global Student Organization (GSO) sponsors a number of activities including special holiday celebrations, presentations during school assemblies and weekend activities. The club also helps to coordinate and organize vacation plans and homestay opportunities.

Small class sizes allow for individual attention to student needs. Additional support is available during evening study hall hours.



The International Studies Program offers assistance with visas and other documentation, health insurance, transportation, travel arrangements, academic placement, curriculum modification, and more.

The English Studies Program (ESP) is designed to support English Learners as they experience academic immersion in English. New students are assessed to determine appropriate placement in mainstream humanities and corresponding ESP offerings.



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Eighth
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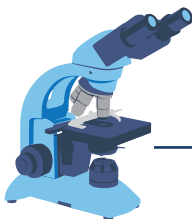


For students, this is one of the most dynamic developmental learning periods. At Gould Academy, we meet it with an engaging and relevant curriculum that fosters a love of learning and an appreciation for collaboration.

Our program targets grade eight as a year designed to cultivate growth and build self-awareness so students are prepared to thrive in high school.

The Journey Begins Here.

The eighth-grade program is guided by three fundamental principles: investigation, curiosity, and confidence.



The eighth grade curriculum is designed to engage students through a combination of traditional classroom coursework and hands-on learning in real world settings.

Whether coming from public, private, or international schools, we meet each student where they are in their journey and make individualized plans to help them succeed.

Students complete prerequisite classes in visual and performing arts, and in the IDEAS Center, that open up elective course opportunities in ninth grade.



“Gould has proven to be a great match both academically and socially. Our son feels he is part of a great learning community and enjoys all of the various extracurricular activities. We know he will be well prepared for ninth grade.”

– Jenn Doyle P’26



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Leadership
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Student Life at Gould isn't all about academics and athletics. You'll bond with your classmates through dorm life, sports, classes, and trips, but also through the many traditions that make Gould unique.

From social events to celebrating our outstanding natural surroundings together, our many traditions keep our community tightly knit.

At the heart of these experiences are student leaders who bring them to life.

Become a Part of the Gould Story.

The Wellness Committee at Gould are trained in Social Emotional Learning practices. They lead faculty and students in Youth Mental Health First Aid learning, sponsor all school wellness days, and coordinate wellness initiatives.

Winter Carnival is a spirited winter competition spanning two days that includes tobogganing, fat-tire bikes, snow forts, and more.

Mountain Day is a longstanding tradition when the entire community takes a day off from classes to go hiking together!



Roles for student-leaders include serving as prefect in the dorms or for day students, participating on the Campus Activity Board, or sitting on the Judiciary Committee.



Students and faculty come together each week for all-school assemblies, formal dinners, and advisory functions. These intentional breaks in the schedule allow the community to slow down and be present together.



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