## EMMA WILLARD SCHOOL PROFILE 2023-2024

Honoring its founder's vision, Emma Willard School proudly fosters in each young woman a love of learning, the habits of an intellectual life, and the character, moral strength, and qualities of leadership to serve and shape her world.

## STUDENT BODY



A financial aid budget of $\$ 5.9$ million enables $44 \%$ of the student body to receive financial assistance to attend Emma Willard School. The average financial aid award for those who qualify is $\$ 47,333$ for boarding students and $\$ 25,306$ for day students. Emma Willard is committed to girls' education and, to that end, we consider for admission any applicant who identifies as a girl. In addition, current students who no longer identify as girls are welcome at Emma Willard.

## FACULTY




49 Teaching Faculty 12 Residential Faculty


90\% Advanced Degrees 10\% Undergaduate


88\% Full Time $12 \%$ Part Time

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The Emma Willard curriculum reflects the school's pursuit of excellence, capitalizes on the global nature of its student body, sustains a belief in the importance of leadership, ethics, and service in adolescent education; and honors the woman's perspective. Emma Willard offers a rigorous college preparatory program with Advanced Studies (AS) opportunities and upper-level electives in all disciplines. In line with our Program Pillars (emmawillard. org/academics), there are caps on the number of AS classes students are able to take. Ninth graders do not enroll in AS courses. Tenth grade students may choose one AS course, 11th graders up to two, and 12th graders up to three.

Advanced Studies: Emma Willard has completed a transition from an Advanced Placement ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ (AP) curriculum to an advanced curriculum composed entirely of Advanced Studies (AS) courses. The class of 2024 is the first to fully benefit from our new advanced curriculum that will fully replace AP courses by the 2023-2024 school year. AS courses are equal to or greater than AP courses in challenge and rigor, but do not strictly adhere to the AP syllabus. AS courses are designed through a rigorous internal process and are subject to approval by the Director of Curriculum and Innovation.

## Personalized Study:

- Practicum is Emma Willard's independent study program. It offers students opportunities for exploration and enrichment through academic and nonacademic experiences both on and off campus.
- The Signature Program provides several programs, including STEAM research opportunities, select Advanced Arts Projects, and multi-disciplinary independent study projects. Signature allows students to complete year-long projects during their junior and/or senior years. This opportunity is for students who have a demonstrated passion for a topic, have identified a mentor with whom to work, and have sufficient time in their schedule to complete a project. All Signature Program students present their work to the entire school at the spring showcase.
- STEAM Research is a year-long research program for juniors and seniors interested in doing projects or research in science, mathematics, technology, or the arts. STEAM participants work weekly on their projects with a faculty mentor on campus or at an area university. These research opportunities are intended for advanced study in a STEAM discipline.
COVID-19: Emma Willard School suspended in-person classes on March 17, 2020 and resumed asynchronous instruction on April 9 for the remainder of the academic year. Emma Willard implemented a block schedule at the beginning of the 2020-2021 academic year. All students resumed in-person classes on the block schedule at the beginning of the Fall 2021 semester.
Leadership Opportunities: Student leadership roles are broken up in three tiers: White, Black and Red. Red Tier Roles are the most prestigious and the most time consuming, for that reason students may only hold one. They may not hold both a Red Tier role and a Black Tier role at the same time, however, students with a Red Tier Role may hold a maximum of two White Tier Roles.
GPA and Class Rank: Emma Willard does not rank students, nor do we provide provide a cumulative grade point average as part of a student's credentials. This practice is consistent with our founder's belief that "education should seek to bring its subjects to the perfection of their moral, intellectual, and physical nature." Believing that her vision encourages students to measure their strengths against their own potential rather than in competition against others, we do not report information that invites comparisons of students.


## Grading:

| A | 93-100 | There is no grade of A+. "NC" (no credit) represents a failing grade. All arts courses are graded as CR/NC |
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| A- | 90-92 | (credit/no credit) unless a letter grade is chosen by the student (for visual art courses only). |
| B+ | 87-89 |  |
| B | 83-86 |  |
| B- $\mathrm{C}+$ + | $80-82$ $77-79$ | basis for the fall semester. In the spring semester, ninth graders receive letter grades that are reported on |
| C | 73-76 | transcripts. Comprehensive final exams may be included in this spring semester grade. Because of this, there |
| C- | 70-72 | is no year grade recorded for ninth grade. If colleges require a final grade for the purpose of calculating a GPA, |
| D | 63-66 | we suggest using the spring semester grades for this purpose. |
| D- | 60-62 |  |
| F/No Credit | <60 |  |

Course Listings and Graduation Requirements: Visit emmawillard.org/catalog for a full listing of courses and graduation requirements.
School Policy on Reporting Discipline: Making mistakes is a natural, necessary, part of a student's personal growth and educational development. This is especially true in a boarding school environment such as Emma Willard's where student behavior is monitored closely and consistently. While we acknowledge the need to report significant disciplinary events to colleges, we also believe that routine discipline is a developmentally appropriate tool to be used without fear of long term consequences. Emma Willard therefore shares with colleges only disciplinary information about a student's probation, suspension, or expulsion.

## Accreditation and Affiliations:

National Association of Independent Schools

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## EMMA WILLARD SCHOOL COLLEGE MATRICULATION

 Classes of 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023Adelphi University
American University (5)
Amherst College
Babson College (4)
Bard College (5)
Barnard College
Bates College
Bentley University
Binghamton University
Boston College (3)
Boston Conservatory at Berklee
Boston University (5)
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University (4)
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College (6)
Bucknell University (3)
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University (3)
Case Western Reserve University
Champlain College (3)
Claremont McKenna College
Clark University (2)
Colgate University (4)
College of the Holy Cross (2)
Connecticut College (2)
Cornell University (13)
CUNY Kingsborough Community College
Dickinson College (3)
Drexel University
Eckerd College (2)
Elon University
Emerson College (3)
Emory University (5)
Emory University - Oxford College
Endicott College
Fordham University (3)
Georgetown University (2)
Hamilton College
Hampton University
Harvard University (4)
Haverford College (2)
Hobart William Smith Colleges (3)
Howard University
Hudson Valley Community College
Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University (3)
Kenyon College (4)
King's College London (University of London)

Lafayette College (4)
Lake Forest College
Lehigh University (4)
Lewis \& Clark College
Macalester College
Marist College (3)
Massachusetts Institute of
Technology (2)
McGill University (2)
Michigan State University (2)
Mount Holyoke College (4)
New York Institute of Technology
New York University (16)
Northeastern University (9)
Oberlin College (3)
Pace University New York City (2)
Pennsylvania State University (2)
Pitzer College
Princeton University (2)
Providence College (4)
Purdue University (2)
Quinnipiac University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (6)
Rhode Island School of Design
Rochester Institute of Technology
Saint Louis University
Sarah Lawrence College (2)
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
School of Visual Arts
Scripps College
Siena College (2)
Simmons University
Skidmore College (6)
Smith College (7)
St. John's University-New York
St. Lawrence University (2)
Stanford University (3)
State University of New York (SUNY)
State University of New York at Albany (4)
State University of New York at New Paltz (2)
Stevens Institute of Technology (2)
Stony Brook University (3)
Suffolk University
Swarthmore College
The American University of Paris (2)
The College of Wooster
The George Washington University (8)
The New School (4)

The University of Texas at Austin
The University of Western Australia
Trinity College (2)
Trinity College Dublin
Tufts University (2)
Union College (NY)
Universita Bocconi (2)
University at Buffalo
University College London (2)
University of Arizona
University of California Berkeley (3)
University of California Davis (3)
University of California Irvine (3)
University of California Los Angeles (5)
University of California Riverside
University of California San Diego
University of California Santa Barbara
University of Chicago (4)
University of Connecticut
University of Hartford
University of Illinois at Urbana-
Champaign (2)
University of Maine
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of Miami
University of Michigan Ann Arbor (2)
University of Minnesota Twin Cities
University of Missouri Columbia
University of Oregon
University of Pittsburgh (3)
University of Portland
University of Rochester (3)
University of Southern California
University of St Andrews (3)
University of Toronto (5)
University of Vermont (3)
University of Virginia
University of Washington Seattle (2)
University of Wisconsin Madison (4)
Vassar College (4)
Virginia Tech (2)
Wagner College
Wake Forest University (2)
Washington University in St. Louis (4)
Wellesley College (5)
Wesleyan University (2)
Williams College (3)
Worcester Polytechnic Institute Yale University

# 2023-2024 EMMA WILLARD SCHOOL COURSE LISTINGS AND CREDITS <br> (. 25 and .5 credits $=$ semester course, 1.5 credits $=$ AP/AS year course, 1.0 credits $=$ year course) 

## ARTS

- Beginning Ballet/Contemporary Dance . 5
- Intermediate Ballet . 5
- Advanced Ballet . 5
- Intermediate Contemporary Dance . 5
- Advanced Contemporary Dance . 5
- Hip hop/Jazz Dance Fusion . 5
- Dance Choreography/Performance Workshop 25
- Core Training Fundamentals . 25
- Orchestra 5
- Chamber Orchestra 5
- Choir 5
- Inner Choir 5
- Voice Seminar 25
- Music Appreciation: The World of Music . 25
- Semiquavers 5
- Ceramics .5
- Introduction to Photography . 5
- Film and Video . 5
- Introduction to Drawing . 5
- Introduction to Painting . 5
- 3-D Design 5
- Graphic Design 5
- Intermediate Media Arts . 5
- Advanced Media Arts . 5
- Intermediate Studio Art 1.0
- Advanced Studio Art 1.0
- Intermediate Sculpture . 5
- Emma Artists I: Visual Arts . 5
- Emma Artists I: Performing Arts . 5
- Emma Artists II: Visual Arts . 5
- Emma Artists II: Performing Arts . 5
- Emma Artists III: Performing Arts . 5
- Special Project in Arts .5
- Special Project in Arts 5
- Acting I 5
- Acting II 5
- Public Speaking: Oral Interpretation and Speech . 5
- Theatre Company 25
- Technical Theatre Support 25


## ENGLISH

- English I 1.0
- English II 1.0
- English III 1.0
- English Support 1.0
- Writing Support .5
- Women in Journalism . 25
- Fiction Writing for 10th \& 11th Grade .25
- Nonfiction Workshop . 5
- Gothic Literature . 5
- Reading Film: Language and Art of Cinema 5
- Literature and Fairy Tales . 5
- History and Identity in Literature and Film . 5
- Female Friendships in Literature and Film . 5
- AS Literature of the Good Life 1.5
- AS Modernism 1.5


## HISTORY

- Classical Mediterranean History . 5
- African History . 5
- East Asian History .5
- Indian History 5
- History of the Middle East 5
- Latin American History 5
- European History 5
- Contemporary World History . 5
- Indigenous History of North America 5
- US History 1.0
- US History Experiential Learning
through Site Visits 1.0
- AS US History 1.5
- AS Art History 1.5
- AS Economics 1.5
- AS Social \& Cognitive Psychology 75
- AS Studies Psychology: Theories of Personality, Development, and Clinical Studies .75
- AS US Government and Politics 1.5
- African American History Since the Great Migration . 5


## LANGUAGES

- French 11.0
- French II 1.0
- French III 1.0
- French IV: Exploration of the

Francophonie Beyond French Borders 1.0
AS French V: French Identity(ies) 1.5

- Spanish 11.0
- Spanish II 1.0
- Spanish III 1.0
- Spanish IV - Conversation 1.0
- Spanish IV - Spine-chilling and Spooky

Literature 1.0

- AS Spanish V 1.5
- Latin I 1.0
- Latin II 1.0
- Latin III 1.0
- Latin IV: Literature and Empire 1.0
- AS Latin IV: Literature and Empire 1.5
- Chinese I 1.0
- Chinese II 1.0
- Chinese III 1.0
- AS Chinese IV 1.5


## MATHEMATICS

- Math Support . 5
- Algebral 1.0
- Algebra II and Trigonometry 1.0
- Algebra II \& Trigonometry with NonRoutine Problems 1.0
- Geometry 1.0
- College Algebra and Its Applications . 5
- Statistics with Discrete Math 1.0
- Financial Math . 5
- Precalculus 1.0
- Precalculus with Non-Routine Problems 1.0
- Introduction to Engineering Design . 5
- Calculus 1.0
- AS Calculus AB 1.5
- AS Calculus $C$ with an Introduction to Multivariable Calculus 1.5
- AS Statistics 1.5


## SCIENCE

- Physics Essentials 1.0
- Physics 1.0
- AS Physics 11.5
- AS Physics 21.5
- Biology 1.0
- AS Biology 1.5
- Genetics 5
- Genetics Lab . 5
- Astrobiology . 5
- Chemistry 1.0
- Chemistry Essentials 1.0
- Advanced Topics in Chemistry . 5
- AS Chemistry 1.5
- Neuroscience 1.0
- Anatomy \& Kinesiology . 5
- Marine Biology . 5


## TECHNOLOGY

- Computer Science Explorations 1.0
- AS Computer Science Explorations 1.5
- AS Computer Science with Java 1.5


## ATHLETICS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

ARC Swim Instruction and Safety

- ARC Lifeguard Training . 25


## EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

## - STEAM Research 9.25

This one-semester course allows ninth graders to complete flexible, cross-disciplinary projects in STEAM fields. Emphasis is placed on teamwork, problem solving, and exhibiting final work. Final work is exhibited with a comprehensive poster.

- STEAM Research 10.5

This year-long class offers tenth graders the opportunity to explore STEAM concepts of their choosing together in small teams. Students complete an extensive project composed of their own goals and outcomes. The experience culminates with an extensive poster.

- Practicum

Practicum is Emma Willard's independent study program. It offers students in grades 9-12 opportunities for exploration and enrichment through academic and non-academic experiences both on and off campus.

- Signature Program . 5

Signature is a capstone course open to eleventh and twelfth graders. Students design their own, year-long projects, and share their experiences and outcomes in presentations to the entire school community. Together with their teacher students make use of school resources and relationships on and off campus to craft their individualized projects.

## SEMINAR

- Grade 9: Ready Seminar
- Grade 10: Ready Seminar
- Grade 11: Ready Seminar
- Grade 12: Ready Seminar

