

Established in 1894, Chatham Hall is an independent girls' college preparatory boarding school for grades 9–12. Founded as the first girls' Episcopal school in southern Virginia, we are grounded in the values of the Episcopal tradition and welcome students of all faiths and backgrounds. At Chatham Hall, we believe that when a young woman steps beyond the boundary of her own comfort zone, she realizes the true power of her potential. Every day across campus, she'll discover her individual passions, learn to balance joy with challenge, gratitude with ambition, and to champion others as she begins to weave together informed perspectives that will make up her worldview. With endless opportunities illuminated before her, she'll feel confident taking the first steps toward a life that is all her own.

OUR COMMUNITY



Chatham Hall's mission is to equip curious thinkers to lead lives of impact.

Living Well

Chatham Hall has a belief and commitment that health, wellness, and balance should be at the center of all we do. This mindset allows us to infuse nine dimensions of wellness into campus life to develop exciting opportunities in curricula and academic programs, initiatives for afternoon activities, and themes for our grade-level programs. Students are encouraged to be mindful when selecting their academic schedule to allow them to dive deep into the areas that interest them, while still allowing for outside interests and exploration.

Athletics & Riding

Chatham Hall is a member of the Blue Ridge Conference. Students are required to participate in a team sport or scheduled physical activity every season, including conditioning, dance, robotics, theater, or yoga. Varsity sports offered include basketball, cross country, field hockey, golf, lacrosse, riding, soccer, swimming, tennis, track & field, and volleyball.

Honor Code

Chatham Hall students, faculty, administration, and staff are committed to the cultivation of honor, integrity, and responsibility. We do this by embracing and adhering to the Purple & Golden Rule and our Honor Code: "I will not lie. I will not cheat. I will not steal. I will report all infractions of honor."

Accreditations & Memberships

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Chatham Hall is accredited by the Virginia Association

of Independent Schools, and a member of the National Association of Independent Schools, International Coalition of Girls' Schools, The Association of Boarding Schools, National Association for College Admission Counseling, Potomac and Chesapeake Association for College Admission Counseling, and Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools.

Leadership

Sara Stephenson, Rector & Head of School Martha Griswold, Dean of Academics Dr. Erin M. McHugh, Dean of College Counseling

Location

Chatham Hall is situated on 365 acres located in the Piedmont of Virginia, next to the town of Chatham and within 2 hours of Raleigh-Durham, Greensboro, and Chapel Hill, NC to the south and Lynchburg, Roanoke, Charlottesville, VA to the north.

School Year



2024-2025 COURSES

English

English I & II English for Int. Students I & II English III: American Literature Adv. English III: American Literature & Rhetoric English IV electives (semester) Foodie Film & Literature

The Documentary Idea: Reading Documentary Films The Films of Alfred Hitchcock Black Swan Experience I, the People: James Baldwin

Adv. English IV electives (semester) By Her, About Her, For Her: American Women Writers Creative Writing: Poetry Literature and History of the Meiji Restoration 1868-1912 Science Fiction The World of Mythology

World Languages

French I, II, IĬI, IV Adv. French Latin I, II, III, IV Spanish I, II, III, IV/V Adv. Spanish*

Experiential Learning

Discovery Challenge iQuest

Science

Physics Physics II Honors Chemistry Biology Adv. Physics Adv. Chemistry Adv. Biology Dendrology (semester) Anatomy & Physiology (semester) Forensics (semester) Equine Science (semester) Neurobiology (semester)

History & Social Sciences

World History (semester) Human Geography (semester) European History U.S. History electives (semester) Foundations U.S. History from 1918-1969 The Long Road to Civil Rights History by Hollywood: U.S. History through Film Social Studies for Int. Students Adv. U.S. History Adv. World History Psychology Ethics Research Seminar (semester) World Religions (semester) International Relations (semester) Global Scholars Certificate Program Capstone (semester) Global Entrepreneurship I & II Business & Economics* (semester)

Mathematics

Algebra I & II Geometry Probability & Statistics Precalculus Precalculus Honors Calculus Adv. Calculus Adv. Statistical Analysis Linear Algebra* Multivariable Calculus* Robotics, Engineering, & Coding (semester) Adv. Computer Science Coding

Arts

Art & Design I, II, III, IV Photography I, II, III Introduction to CAD/CAM (semester) Makerspace (semester) Fiber Arts - The Art & Craft of Quilting (semester) Portfolio (semester) Photography Portfolio Yearbook St. Mary's Choir Vocal/Instrument Lessons Fall Plav Winter Musical Spring Theatre Collaborative Dance

*Classes taught by One Schoolhouse

Advanced Courses

Advanced Courses are designed and taught at the college level, and students must either apply or be recommended for these classes. Advanced Courses allow our faculty and students much greater input and flexibility in the breadth and depth of their studies, as well as the independence to undertake research on topics that may not be covered in depth as determined by the College Board. Students may elect to take AP exams in May, but must prepare independently.

One Schoolhouse

Chatham Hall has established a partnership with One Schoolhouse to accommodate small sections of courses we wouldn't normally offer to allow students to belong to a larger cohort.

January Term

Chatham Hall offers a 2-week January Term between semesters. Students learn important life skills in areas such as personal finance, health, and career development, as well as taking classes aligned with areas of interest.

Research Opportunities

Through our Discovery Challenge, iQuest, Hallam Hurt Travel Award programs, and Global Scholars Program, Chatham Hall students may explore a question of importance through experiential learning. These programs often require in-depth research, study, extensive documentation, and sometimes travel. All four programs require students to present their findings to the School community.

CLASS OF 2025 ACADEMIC MEASURES

ACT Results*

	Mid-Range	Mean
Composite	18-24	23
English	20-28	23
Math	18-24	21
Reading	19-32	25
Science Reasoning	19-26	22

*15 students took ACT

Cumulative Junior Year Grade Distribution*

Class Size: 35

lst Quarter: 4.0 - 4.2 2nd Quarter: 3.55 - 3.96 3rd Quarter: 2.77 - 3.47 4th Quarter: 2.01 - 2.76

*We do not rank our students due to small class size; all classes are unweighted.

SAT Results**

1070-1280	1210
530-640	600
550-700	610
	530-640

** 20 students took the SAT

Graduation Requirements

- English 4 years
- History & Social Science 4 years, including Religious Studies, U.S. History, & Ethics
- Mathematics 3 years, including Algebra II
- World Language 3 years of 1 language or 2 years 2 languages (taken between grades 9-12)
- Science 3 years, including Physics, Chemistry, & Biology
- Arts 1 year
- Athletics 4 years

Moving Away from APs

After extensive research and evaluation, Chatham Hall made the intentional decision to move away from the prescribed curricula of Advanced Placement (AP) classes in favor of our own Advanced Courses. Starting in the 2021-2022 school year, AP classes were replaced with Advanced Courses designed by Chatham Hall faculty.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Chatham Hall enrolls students **from all over the world**. During the 2024-2025 school year, we have students from Afghanistan, Bahamas, China, Egypt, Germany, Jamaica, Japan, Liberia, Mexico, and Spain.
- The **Global Entrepreneurship Program** allows students to study business organizations, including basic ideas of economics, management, production, marketing, finance, social, legal, and ethical environments of business and international business. Students work effectively both individually and as a team as they brainstorm and research business ideas, and work together to develop and launch a business venture in the spring semester. A previous class purchased and ran a food cart on campus specializing in international foods.
- The **Global Scholars Certificate Program** encourages and challenges students to develop an international perspective through curriculum, experience, and research that focuses on global understanding and global citizenship. During the last year of the 3-year program, students write a 25-page capstone paper and present their findings in front of a committee and the School community.
- The **Makerspace** is home to our robotics team, the TuTu Turtles, that consistently competes at the state level. A Makerspace art elective also allows students to create projects using a laser printer, 3-D printer, a Cricut cutter, heat press, power tools, resin molds, and more.
- Our robust **Riding Program** has an active Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) team, and open show schedule. The School owns 30 horses and most riders get the experience of riding many different horses throughout the year, setting them up for riding in college. The IEA team has qualified as a team and sent individual competitors to IEA Nationals, and our students have qualified for local, regional, and national competitions along the East Coast.
- Study abroad experiences are encouraged through the **Student Diplomacy Corps** and faculty-led travel programs. Destinations have included France, Mexico, Spain, Japan, Italy, China, Cambodia, and Nepal. Students have the opportunity to participate in immersive travel programs during Spring Break to countries like Kenya and Cambodia.
- The **Leader in Residence** program brings accomplished women to campus each year to participate in student-led programming. Past leaders have included the first female president of Ireland Mary Robinson; former Prime Minister of Pakistan the late Benazir Bhutto; choreographer and Director of the Alvin Ailey Dance Company Judith Jamison; founder of Girls Who Code, Rehsma Saujani; and presidential historian and author Doris Kearns Goodwin.

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ANNOTATED LIST OF COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES CLASSES OF 2020–2024

Alabama A&M University **American University** Amherst College Appalachian State University Arizona State University **Auburn University** Augusta University **Babson College** Bard College Barnard College Bates College **Belmont University** Bennington College Berry College Boston College **Boston University** Brandeis University Bryn Mawr College **Bucknell University** California Institute of the Arts Cape Fear Community College Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University Centre College Chapman University Christopher Newport University **Claremont McKenna College** Clark Atlanta University **Clemson University** Colby College Colgate University College of Charleston Colorado College Cornell University Davidson College **Denison University DePaul University** Dickinson College Drew University **Drexel University Duke University Edinburgh Napier University Elon University Emerson College** Emory University ESCP Business School Fairfield University Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Florida Gulf Coast University Florida International University Florida State University Fordham University Fort Valley State University Franklin & Marshall College **Furman University** George Mason University George Washington University Georgetown University Georgia College Georgia Institute of Technology Georgia State University Gettysburg College Grinnell College Hampshire College Hawai'i Pacific University

High Point University Hobart and William Smith Colleges Hofstra University **Hood College Howard University** IE University Illinois Wesleyan University Jacksonville University **James Madison University** John Cabot University Kenyon College King's College London Lafayette College Lehigh University Liberty University Louisiana State University Loyola Marymount University Loyola University New Orleans Marist College Massachusetts College of Art and Design Massachusetts Institute of Technology McGill University Meredith College Miami University (Oxford) Michigan State University Middlebury College Mount Holyoke College Muhlenberg College New York University North Carolina A & T State University North Carolina State University Northeastern University **Oberlin College** Occidental College Oregon State University Oxford College of Emory University Pace University (New York City) Parsons School of Design at The New School Penn State University Pomona College Princeton University **Purdue University** Quinnipiac University Reed College Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rhode Island School of Design Rhodes College **Rice University** Richmond American University London Roanoke College Rochester Institute of Technology Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology **Rutgers University** Rutgers University (Newark) Santa Clara University Sarah Lawrence College Savannah College of Art and Design

Scripps College Sewanee: The University of the South Simmons University Skidmore College Smith College Southern Methodist University Spelman College St. Andrews University St. Bonaventure University St. Olaf College Stony Brook University Suffolk University SUNY at Albany SUNY University at Buffalo Sweet Briar College Syracuse University Temple University Texas Christian University The College of Wooster The New School The Ohio State University The University of Alabama The University of Edinburgh The University of Tampa The University of Tennessee The University of Texas at Austin Trinity College Dublin Tufts University Tulane University of Louisiana Tuskegee University Union College University of Alabama University of Arizona University of British Columbia University of California (Berkeley) University of California (Davis) University of California (Irvine) University of California (Los Angeles) University of California (Santa Barbara) University of California (Santa Cruz) University of Central Florida University of Chicago University of Colorado Boulder University of Delaware University of Denver University of Florida University of Georgia University of Glasgow University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign University of Kentucky University of Lynchburg University of Maryland University of Massachusetts University of Miami University of Michigan University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill University of North Carolina at Charlotte

University of North Carolina School of the Arts University of North Carolina Wilmington University of Notre Dame University of Richmond University of Rochester University of San Diego University of San Francisco University of South Carolina University of South Florida University of Southern California University of St Andrews University of Toronto University of Vermont University of Virginia University of Washington University of Wisconsin University of York Vanderbilt University Villanova University Virginia Commonwealth University Virginia Ťech Wake Forest University Warren Wilson College Washington and Lee University Washington State University Washington University in St. Louis Wellesley College Wentworth Institute of Technology Wesleyan University Whitman College WHU Otto Beisheim School of Management Willamette University William & Mary Wofford College Worcester Polytechnic Institute **Xavier University**

Xavier University of Louisiana

*Matriculations in Bold

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