

# GREENHILLS SCHOOL COLLEGE PROFILE

2024-2025

# **ABOUT GREENHILLS SCHOOL**

An independent school guiding students in grades 6-12 to become curious, creative, and responsible citizens who better the world.

# **Student Body**

714 students in grades 6-12 v101
students
per grade

100% of students attend college after Greenhills

52% of students self-identify as students of color

Average class size

22% of students receive tuition assistance

# **Balanced and Engaged Community Members**

Greenhills students are encouraged to explore their interests, care for their physical and mental well-being, and better the world by being engaged in our community outside of the classroom.

- **75% of students participate in athletics**, and compete in a program that has won 33 state championships.
- Students participated in 13,368 hours of community last year, independently and as part of the Civic Engagement and Service Learning program.
- 67% of the Class of 2024 exceeded the fine and performing arts requirement.



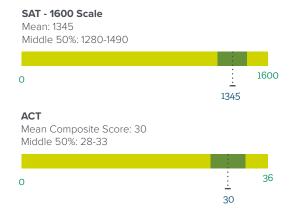
Greenhills students account for more than 30 percent of the National Merit Scholarship winners in Washtenaw County, despite representing less than five percent of the area's high school student population.

#### **GPA CALCULATION**

- · Students are not ranked.
- Cumulative GPAs are calculated based only on graded courses taken at Greenhills.
- GPAs at Greenhills are unweighted and calculated on the following scale:

**A+** (100 - > 100%) = 4.0**A** (93 - 99%) = 4.0 **A-** (90 - 92%) = 3.67 **B+** (87 - 89%) = 3.33 **B** (83 - 86%) = 3.0 **B-** (80 - 82%) = 2.67 **C+** (77 - 79%) = 2.33 **C** (73 - 76%) = 2.0 **C-** (70 - 72%) = 1.67 **D+** (67 - 69%) = 1.33 **D** (63 - 66%) = 10 **D-** (60 - 62%) = 0.67 **E** (0 - 59%) = 0

#### STANDARDIZED TESTING 2022-2024



# **UPPER SCHOOL COURSES OF STUDY / ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

AP, Post-AP, Honors, Accelerated, and Advanced Courses denoted in bold | Semester-only electives denoted by asterisk (\*)

- · A full list of courses with explanation of their content is available at greenhillsschool.org/courseguide.
- Individual student placements are based on a combination of achievement, interest, and course availability and do not always conform to the generalized offerings displayed below.

#### About AP, Post-AP, Honors, Accelerated, and Advanced Courses

- Instructor recommendation/permission is required for all AP, Post-AP, Honors, Accelerated, and Advanced courses.
- A balanced curriculum is strongly encouraged. Students requesting more than three AP/Accelerated/Advanced/Honors courses must receive permission from the Dean of Academics.
- · Advanced courses go beyond AP curriculum, and all AP and Advanced courses prepare students for the associated AP exam.

<b>English</b> Credits Required: 4	AP English III: American Literature Creative Writing * English II: British Literature English II Honors: British Literature English III: American Literature	English IV: Senior Seminars * Global Perspectives in History and Literature Journalism * Perspectives in Humanities *
<b>History &amp; Social Science</b> Credits Required: 3	Advanced US Government and Politics * American Military History: 1900 to Present * AP U.S. History Campaigns and Elections * Global Perspectives in History and Literature International Human Rights Law & Diplomacy * LGBTQ+ History of the U.S. * Macroeconomics * Microeconomics *	Political Philosophy * Psychology * Rights, Justice and the US Supreme Court * U.S. Government and Politics * U.S. History Sociology: Difference, Power, and Discrimination * The History of Art * The U.S. Constitution - Past, Present, & Future *
Mathematics & Computer Science Credits Required: 3	Accelerated Pre-Calculus Algebra   Algebra II Honors AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Calculus C AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principles	AP Statistics Financial Applications * Foundations of Computer Science * Geometry Geometry Honors Mathematical Approaches to Critical Thinking * Multivariable Calculus I * Multivariable Calculus II * Pre-Calculus
Science Credits Required: 3  AP courses are not offered in science. Advanced courses go beyond AP curriculum.	Advanced Biology Advanced Calculus-based Physics Advanced Chemistry Advanced Scientific Research Anatomy and Physiology Applied Engineering Design * Chemistry Chemistry Accelerated Conceptual Physics	Earth, the Solar System, and the Universe Ecology and Global Sustainability Introduction to Biology Modern Physics * Natural History of Living Things Organic Chemistry * Physics <b>Physics Accelerated</b>
Modern & Classical Languages Credits Required: 2	AP Chinese V AP French AP Latin IV-V AP Spanish Chinese IV Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish I Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish I	Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish III French IV Culture <b>French V</b> Latin IV-V Spanish IV <b>Spanish V</b>
Fine & Performing Arts Credits Required: 1	Advanced Acting and Performance Workshop * Advanced Art Photography * Art Photography * Ceramics * Chorus Drawing & Printing * Graphic Design * Introduction to Acting * Intro to Art *	Jazz Lab Jazz One Orchestra Painting * Sculpture & 3D Design * Studio Jazz Tech Theatre * Textile and Fiber Arts *
<b>Wellness</b> Credits Required: 1	Foundations of Fitness * Health * Lifetime Fitness *	Recreational Sports * Strength and Conditioning * Yoga, Mindfulness, and Wellbeing *
Civic Engagement	Greenhills students will complete at least one service learning experience every school year in the Upper School. Service projects must include a participation minimum of three times or ten hours. Students will submit both a proposal and a reflection for each project.	

#### **COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Students must earn a minimum of 20 credits to graduate, and are required to take a minimum of 5 courses that receive academic credit each semester.

Note: students may fulfill non-academic requirements at any point during grades 9-12, and may be required to take multiple Wellness and/or Fine and Performing Arts courses during their senior year.

# **Department Minimums**

#### **English: 4 Credits**

Global Perspectives in History and Literature (1 credit), English II, English III or AP English. Students must select a course both semesters during senior year.

#### **History & Social Sciences: 3 Credits**

Global Perspectives in History and Literature (1 credit), U.S. History or Advanced Placement U.S. History (1 credit), and U.S. Government and Politics or Advanced U.S. Government and Politics (0.5 credit) required. Students must select a History and Social Science Seminar during junior or senior year (0.5 credit).

Mathematics & Computer Science: 3 Credits
Through at least Algebra II.

## **Science: 3 Credits**

At least one in life science and one in physical science (Chemistry or Physics); we strongly encourage students to take at least one course in all three areas: Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.

Note: AP courses are not offered in science. Advanced courses go beyond AP curriculum.

# Modern & Classical Languages: 2 Credits

Two sequential levels studied at Greenhills School, although three years of study is strongly recommended. When possible, we recommend the entire sequence of study.

# **Fine and Performing Arts: 1 Credit**

#### Wellness: 1 Credit

Students are required to take Foundations of Fitness (0.5 credits) and Health (0.5 credit) in 9th grade.



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## **ABOUT UNIQUE PROGRAMS AND COURSES**

#### **Advanced Research**

The Advanced Research program puts rising seniors in scientific laboratories and research centers across the country. They spend a summer doing real-life research in natural sciences, social sciences, computer science, or mathematics settings to prepare for college-level work and beyond. Students then spend their senior year analyzing what they learned, creating research papers, and presenting their findings.

### **English IV: Senior Seminars**

In 12th grade, students are required to take one English IV: Senior Seminar each semester to meet the required full year of credit for English. Every Senior Seminar is an advanced course, and the seminar format of intensive study on a special topic serves as the capstone to students' previous work in upper school English courses. These will appear as English IV: Senior Seminar Name on the student's transcript.

# Wellness and Balance

Fresh is a required year-long course that provides 9th-grade students with interactive experiences designed to deepen self-awareness, increase social connection, and develop the academic skills necessary to navigate upper school at Greenhills.

# Independent Studies and College Courses

When a student has fulfilled all of their course requirements to graduate from Greenhills, they may elect to pursue their individual intellectual curiosities through an independent study, completed under the mentorship and supervision of a faculty member. They may also take college-level courses outside of Greenhills, with approval from the dean of academics, which would not appear on a student's transcript but would be uploaded as an additional transcript.

#### **Foreign Languages**

Beginning in sixth grade, Greenhills students are taught foreign languages in a fully immersive environment. This helps students learn the language and how to use it in the real world.

# Global Perspectives in History and Literature

Traditional English and history classes for all Greenhills ninth graders are replaced with this interdisciplinary study of history and literature. This year-long course challenges students to explore how individual and shared experiences—and the stories we craft about them—shape and reflect global identities and perspectives throughout time.



# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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# 2021-2024 COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS

Colleges and universities with two or more Greenhills students currently attending are in bold.

Appalachian State University

Barnard College

Berklee College of Music

Boston College Brown University

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

**Carnegie Mellon University** 

**Case Western Reserve University** 

Claremont McKenna College Columbia College - Chicago

Columbia University

College of Charleston

Cornell University

Delaware State University

DePaul University

**Denison University** 

**Eastern Michigan University** 

Elon University

**Emory University** 

ESSEC (École Supérieure des Sciences

Économiques et Commerciales)

**George Washington University** 

Georgetown University

Grinnell College

Hamilton College

**Harvard University** 

Hillsdale College

Hope College

**Indiana University** 

Johns Hopkins University

Kalamazoo College

**Kettering University** 

Loyola University Chicago

**Macalester College** 

Michigan State University

Michigan Technological University

Mount Holyoke College

**New York University** 

**Northeastern University** 

**Northwestern University** 

**Nova Southeastern University** 

**Oberlin College** 

**Princeton University** 

**Purdue University** 

Queen's University

Reed College

Swarthmore College

**Syracuse University** 

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Smith College

**Stanford University** 

The College of Wooster

The University of Tennessee

University of Arizona

University of British Columbia

University of California - Berkeley

University of California - Los Angeles

University of California - Riverside

University of California - San Diego

University of Colorado - Boulder

University of Massachusetts - Amherst

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor

University of Michigan - Dearborn

University of MIssissippi

University of New Mexico

University of Northern Colorado

University of Pennsylvania

University of Pittsburgh

University of San Francisco

University of St. Andrews

University of Toronto

**University of Wisconsin** 

Villanova University

Washington University in St Louis

**Wayne State University** 

**Wellesley College** 

Wesleyan University

Western Michigan University

Williams College

William & Mary

Yale University