



GREENHILLS SCHOOL COLLEGE PROFILE

2023-2024

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

693
students in
grades 6-12

16
Average
class size

100%
of students
attend college
after Greenhills

52%
of students
self-identify as
students of color

~95
students per
upper school
grade

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.

- **Students are only permitted to take three AP/Accelerated/Advanced/Honors courses each year**, with exceptions made only to allow a student to dive deeper into their passion.
- **71% of students participate in athletics**, and compete in a program that has won 29 State Championships.
- **Students give more than 6,000 hours of service to our community each year**, independently and as part of the Civic Engagement and Service Learning program.
- **65% of upper school students participate in fine and performing arts**, including music, theater, and visual art.
- **Most students participate in several clubs, affinity groups, and activities** available to them at Greenhills.



DID YOU KNOW?

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%) =	1.0
D- (60 - 62%) =	0.67
E (0 - 59%) =	0

STANDARDIZED TESTING 2021-2023

SAT - 1600 Scale

Mean: 1345
Middle 50%: 1280-1490



ACT

Mean Composite Score: 30
Middle 50%: 28-33



UPPER SCHOOL COURSES OF STUDY / ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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 (denoted below in bold)

- Advanced courses go beyond AP curriculum, and all AP and Advanced courses prepare students for the associated AP exam.
- Instructor recommendation/permission is required for all AP, Post-AP, Honors, Accelerated, and Advanced courses.
- Balance is encouraged; therefore, students requesting more than three AP/Accelerated/Advanced/Honors courses in any given year are required to review their course load with the Dean of Academics for approval.

<p>English Credits Required: 4</p>	<p>AP English III: American Literature Creative Writing English II: British Literature English II Honors: British Literature English III: American Literature</p>	<p>English IV: Senior Seminars Global Perspectives in History and Literature Journalism Perspectives in Humanities</p>
<p>History & Social Science Credits Required: 3</p>	<p>Advanced US Government and Politics American Military History: 1900 to Present AP U.S. History Global Perspectives in History and Literature Macroeconomics Microeconomics</p>	<p>U.S. Government and Politics U.S. History Sociology: Difference, Power, and Discrimination The History of Art The U.S. Constitution - Past, Present, & Future</p>
<p>Mathematics & Computer Science Credits Required: 3</p>	<p>Accelerated Pre-Calculus Algebra I Algebra II Algebra II Honors AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Calculus C AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principles</p>	<p>AP Statistics Financial Applications Foundations of Computer Science Geometry Geometry Honors Mathematical Approaches to Critical Thinking Multivariable Calculus I Multivariable Calculus II Pre-Calculus</p>
<p>Science Credits Required: 3</p> <p><i>AP courses are not offered in science. Advanced courses go beyond AP curriculum.</i></p>	<p>Advanced Biology Advanced Calculus-based Physics Advanced Chemistry Advanced Scientific Research Anatomy and Physiology Applied Engineering Design Chemistry Chemistry Accelerated</p>	<p>Conceptual Physics Earth, the Solar System, and the Universe Ecology and Global Sustainability Introduction to Biology Natural History of Living Things Physics Physics Accelerated</p>
<p>Modern & Classical Languages Credits Required: 2</p>	<p>AP Chinese V AP French AP Latin IV-V AP Spanish Chinese IV Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish I Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish II</p>	<p>Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish III French IV Culture French V Latin IV-V Spanish IV Spanish V</p>
<p>Fine & Performing Arts Credits Required: 1</p>	<p>Acting and Performance Workshop Advanced Art Photography Art Photography Ceramics Chorus Comedy Performance Drawing & Printing Graphic Design Introduction to Acting</p>	<p>Intro to Art Jazz Lab Jazz One Orchestra Painting Sculpture & 3D Design Studio Jazz Tech Theatre</p>
<p>Wellness Credits Required: 1</p>	<p>Foundations of Fitness Health</p>	<p>Lifetime Fitness Yoga, Mindfulness, and Wellbeing</p>
<p>Civic Engagement</p>	<p>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.</p>	

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Students in the Class of 2024 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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COURSE GUIDE

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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.



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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 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.

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2020-2023 COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS

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

Amherst College

Arizona State University

Berklee College of Music

Boston University

Brown University

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

Carnegie Mellon University

Columbia University

Case Western Reserve University

Claremont McKenna College

College of Charleston

Cornell University

Dartmouth College

Delaware State University

DePaul University

Denison University

Drexel University

Eastern Michigan University

Elon University

Emory University

ESSEC (École Supérieure des Sciences

Economiques 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

Lewis University

Macalester College

Methodist University

Michigan State University

Michigan Technological University

Mount Holyoke College

New York University

Northeastern University

Northwestern University

Nova Southeastern University

Oberlin College

Occidental College

Pomona College

Princeton University

Purdue University

Queen's University

Reed College

Scripps College

Swarthmore College

Syracuse University

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Smith College

Southern Methodist University

Stanford University

The College of Wooster

The University of the Arts

The University of Tennessee

Tulane University of Louisiana

University of Arizona

University of California - Berkeley

University of California - Los Angeles

University of California- San Diego University of Chicago

University of Massachusetts - Amherst

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor

University of Michigan - Dearborn

University of Mississippi

University of Pennsylvania

University of Pittsburgh

University of San Francisco

University of Toronto

University of Washington

University of Wisconsin

Villanova University

Washington University in St Louis

Wayne State University

Wellesley College

Wesleyan University

West Virginia University

Western Michigan University

Williams College

Yale University