



FRIENDS' CENTRAL SCHOOL

2018-2019 PROFILE FOR COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS

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Established in 1845 by the Religious Society of Friends, Friends' Central School is an independent, co-educational Quaker day school for grades preschool through 12. Total school enrollment is 755 students; 390 students are enrolled in the Upper School.

The campus is located just over Philadelphia's western border and draws students from the city and four surrounding counties. 32% of the student body consists of students of color; 2% are Quaker. Need-based financial aid is granted to 42% of students. In the class of 2018, 96% of graduates chose to attend a four-year college, 1% chose to attend a two-year college, 3% chose to take a gap year. NAIS accredited.

CURRICULAR and PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- All FCS courses are taught at the honors level. **Our Advanced courses equal or exceed the rigor of AP courses.**
- The **English** department does not offer an advanced track option. All students must complete the rigorous Literature curriculum.
- **American History** is a *required* document-based course for 11th graders. Each student completes a capstone, ten page, thesis-driven, primary source-based research project during the spring semester.
- **The standard course load is five major courses per year.**
- Starting in 2016-17, Friends' Central School operates on a **semester system**.
- Friends' Central School **does not calculate a grade point average or class rank**. A junior year grade distribution is provided to assist colleges in assessing student academic performance.
- All students complete a minimum of 115 hours of **community service** prior to graduation.
- **Discipline** at FCS is considered a part of the educational process and is normally an internal matter. However, when a student is or has been separated from FCS during his or her upper school years for any reason, colleges at which the student has active applications for admission or at which the student is holding an offer of admission, will be notified. As their advocates, the college counselors will work closely with students in reporting disciplinary matters to colleges.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM CURRICULUM

For a complete course listing and details, please see our Curriculum Planner at
https://www.friendscentral.org/uploaded/Academics/Documents/US_Curriculum_Planner_2018-2019.pdf

ENGLISH 4 years required

English I*
 English II*
 English III, English Seminar*
 English IV, English Seminar IV*
 Writer's Workshop

MATHEMATICS 3 years required

Algebra I
 Algebra II, Algebra II *Adv*
 Geometry, Geometry *Adv*
 Precalculus, Precalculus *Adv*
 Function Analysis and Trig. *Adv*
 Statistics, Statistics *Adv*
 Calculus I, Calculus I *Adv*
 Calculus II *Adv*
 Linear Algebra *Adv*
 Making Decisions: Intro to Economics

FOREIGN LANGUAGE 2 years required

French I, II, II *Adv*, III, III *Adv*
 Contemporary French Experience
 French Literature *Adv*: Poetry & Novels
 French Literature *Adv*: Short Stories & Theater
 Latin II, II *Adv*, III, III *Adv*
 Latin Literature *Adv*: Catullus & Ovid
 Spanish I, II, II *Adv*, III, III *Adv*, IV
 Contemporary Latino Experience
 Spanish: History & Culture of Latin
 of Latin America and Spain
 Spanish Literature *Adv*: Cortazar and Borges
 Spanish Literature *Adv*: Federico Lorca
 Spanish Literature *Adv*: Marquez & Unamuno

SCIENCE 2 years required

Integrated Physics*
 Astronomy
 Atmospheric Science & Climate Change
 Biology I, Biology I *Adv*
 Biology II *Adv*: Biodiversity
 Biology II *Adv*: Genetic Super Lab
 Biology of Bodies
 Botany
 Chemistry I, Chemistry I *Adv*
 Chemistry II *Adv*: Chem. Equilibrium
 Chemistry II *Adv*: Chem. Kinetics &
 and Electrochemistry
 Physics I *Adv*
 Physics II *Adv*: Electricity and Circuits
 Physics II *Adv*: Magnetism, Waves & Optics

GENERAL ELECTIVES

Introduction to Computer Science
 Comp Sci: Data Visualizations
 Comp Sci: Interactive Installations
 Comp Sci : Models & Simulations
 Comp Sci II : Simulating Our Natural World
 Sexuality & Society

* Asterisk = Required Course

HISTORY 2 years required

American History*
 World History*
 20th Century Global History
 American Architectural History Through
 Philadelphia Buildings
 Capitalism & Consumption
 Creating Africa *Adv*
 History of World Architecture *Adv*
 International Relations
 Introduction to Philosophy
 Modern Africa *Adv*
 Modern Chinese History
 Modern European History *Adv*
 Women's History
 Resistance & Reconciliation

FINE ARTS 1 year required

Partial list of arts electives -
 Music: Intro to Theory & Composition I, II
 History of African American Music
 World Music Drumming
 Concepts in Visual Arts
 Introduction to Drawing
 Fiber Art Fabrications
 Studio Art
 Mixed Media
 Musical Theater
 Introduction to Stage Acting
 The Contemporary Stage
 Shakespeare in Performance
 Photography
 Woodworking I, II

STANDARDIZED TESTING

SAT Results

Class of 2017 EWR 650 M 650
 Class of 2018 EWR 670 M 630

ACT Results

Class of 2017 28.5
 Class of 2018 29.4

Class of 2019 - JUNIOR YEAR GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Subject	Course Name	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	Total
ENGLISH	English III		22	21	22	10	6	2		1			84
	English Seminar	1	34	19	14	7	3	2	2	1			83
MATH	Algebra II	1			1	2	1	1		1			7
	Algebra II Adv		1		1					1			3
	Precalculus		8	5	8	2	4	4					31
	Precalculus Adv		1	3	4	5	1	2					16
	Calculus I Adv		12	7		1							20
	Calculus II Adv	1	2		1	1							5
SCIENCE	Biology I		1	4	4	12	3	3					27
	Biology I Adv	2	13	16	13	1	2	1					48
	Chemistry II Adv: Chemical Equilibrium	1	3	3		2							9
	Chemistry II Adv: Chem Kinetics & Electrochem	2	4		1	2							9
	Physics I Adv		1	2	1								4
	Physics II Adv: Electricity & Circuits	1	1	1		1							4
	Physics II Adv: Magnetism, Waves & Optics	1	1	1	1	1							5
	American History		16	24	13	16	9	2	3				83
HISTORY	American Architectural History				1		1						2
	Introduction to Philosophy		1		1								2
	French I		1	2	1		1						5
FOREIGN	French II Adv			2									2
LANGUAGE	French IV			1		2							3
	French Literature Adv: Poetry & Novels		2	2	2								6
	Latin Literature Adv: Caesar & Vergil		1	1	3	2			1				8
	Spanish II				3								3
	Spanish II Adv	1	4	2									7
	Spanish III			1	2						1		4
	Spanish III Adv	1		2	1	1							4
	Spanish IV		8	4	2	3		1	1				19
	The Contemporary Latino Experience			1					1				2
	Spanish Literature Adv: Cortazar & Borges		2	1	3	1	1	2					10
	Spanish Literature Adv: Federico Garcia		3	1	2	2	1						9
	Architectural Drawing Model Making			1	1		1						3
FINE ARTS	Fiber Art Fabrications		2	2									4
	History of African American Music	3	3				1						7
	Instrumental Ensemble Chamber		2										2
	Instrumental Ensemble Jazz		2										2
	Instrumental Ensemble Orchestra	2	2										4
	Mixed Media: Appropriation & Reinvention		2	2									4
	Mixed Media: Real World Connections		1			1							2
	Music: Composition Focus		1	1	1								3
	Music: Intro to Theory & Composition		1	1		1							3
	Photography		6	7	5	11	1						30
	Shakespeare in Performance		2										2
	Studio Art I: Foundations of Studio Art		1	2									3
	Woodworking I		1		1								2
	Introduction to Comp Science	1	2	2			1						6
	Computer Science II: Stimulating our Natural Worlds	1		2	1								4
ELECTIVES	Sexuality and Society		2		1								3

Courses are not included in which there was only one student from the Class of 2019

FRIENDS' CENTRAL SCHOOL - COLLEGE CHOICES 2014-2018

University of Alabama	Endicott College (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (2)
Albright College	University of Florida(Rhode Island School of Design
Allegheny College	Fordham University	Rice University
American University	Franklin & Marshall College (6)	University of Richmond (3)
Arcadia University (2)	George Mason University	Rochester Inst. of Technology
University of Arizona (2)	George Washington University (16)	University of Rochester (2)
College of the Atlantic	Georgia Institute of Technology	Rowan University
Babson College	Gettysburg College (2)	Saint Joseph's University (4)
Bard College	Goucher College	Sarah Lawrence College
Barnard College (3)	Guilford College	Shippensburg University of PA (2)
Baruch College CUNY	Hamilton College (3)	Skidmore College
Bor of Manhattan Com Coll CUNY	Harvard University	University of South Carolina (3)
Boston College (3)	Haverford College (8)	Southeast Missouri State University
Boston University (10)	Hofstra University	University of Southern California (4)
Brandeis University (2)	Howard University (2)	University of St. Andrews Scotland
Brown University (9)	Indiana University Bloomington	St. Olaf College
Bryn Mawr College (4)	Indiana University of PA	St. Thomas Aquinas College
Bucknell University (2)	Jefferson (Phila Univ + Thos Jeff U) (3)	Stanford University
University of California Berkeley (2)	Lafayette College (3)	Stony Brook University
University of California Los Angeles	Lehigh University (5)	Syracuse University (3)
Carleton College	Loyola Marymount University	Temple University (8)
Carleton University	Loyola University Chicago	University of Texas, Austin
College of Charleston	Loyola University of Maryland (2)	University of Toledo
University of Chicago (4)	Macalester College (2)	Towson University (2)
Clark Atlanta University	University of Maryland (5)	Trinity College (CT)
Clark University (3)	University of Massachusetts	Tufts University (7)
Colby College (2)	Massachusetts Maritime Academy	Tulane University (11)
Colgate University (2)	McDaniel College	Union College (5)
University of Colorado Boulder	McGill University (3)	Ursinus College (3)
Colorado College (2)	University of Miami (9)	Vanderbilt University
Columbia University	University of Michigan (3)	Vassar College (5)
Connecticut College	Mount Holyoke College	University of Vermont (2)
Cornell University (5)	Muhlenberg College (6)	Villanova University
Dartmouth College (2)	University of New Haven	Virginia State University
University of Delaware (6)	The New School (2)	University of Virginia (2)
Denison University	New York University (8)	Wake Forest University (3)
University of Denver (2)	Univ. of No. Carolina Wilmington	Washington Univ. in St. Louis (12)
Dickinson College (8)	Northeastern University (7)	Wesleyan University (8)
Drew University	Northwestern University (2)	West Chester University (3)
Drexel University (10)	Oberlin College (8)	West Virginia University
Duke University (2)	Occidental College (2)	Whittier College
Duquesne University (5)	Orange Coast College	Widener University
Earlham College	Pace University (2)	College of William and Mary
East Stroudsburg University of PA	Penn State University (11)	Williams College
Elizabethtown College (2)	University of Pennsylvania (47)	University of Wisconsin Madison (4)
Elon University (6)	University of Pittsburgh (20)	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Emerson College	Pomona Collee (2)	Xavier University of Louisiana
Emory University (4)	Pratt Institute (2)	Yale University (2)
	Princeton University	