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2022–2023 COLLEGE PROFILE



ABOUT PACE

Pace Academy was established in 1958 as an independent college-preparatory coeducational day school. Pace is located on 35 wooded acres within the city of Atlanta. **Pace has an enrollment of 1,150 students in Pre-First through 12th grade.** The Upper School (ninth through 12th grades) has 493 students, and the Class of 2023 totals 117 students. Pace is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) and holds membership in the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS), the Cum Laude Society, the College Board, the Educational Records Bureau and the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC). Pace Academy was one of 40 schools in the nation invited to be a Founding School Member of the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools (ACCIS).

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to create prepared, confident citizens of the world who honor the values of Pace Academy.

CORE VALUES

- We create success through partnership with parents, students and faculty.
- We are dedicated to developing the whole child.
- We have respect for each other and our ideas, beliefs and diverse cultural backgrounds.
- We think critically, embrace curiosity and develop global mindsets.

HONOR CODE

Personal honor and integrity are the Pace community's most valued principles, and academic honesty is governed by a code of honor. Students pledge to observe the Honor Code on all tests, examinations and graded assignments. The spirit of this code extends to the college application process.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

We believe that a diverse, equitable and inclusive learning environment is key to a quality education, and that cultural fluency and compassion are necessary components of creating prepared, confident citizens of the world. Our commitment to a diverse, equitable and inclusive culture is reflected in age-appropriate ways throughout all three divisions in curriculum and programming. Our Action Plan for Racial Equity strives to ensure that we foster a school community in which our differences are embraced, and all students, parents, faculty and staff have a sense of belonging.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

- There are 41 athletics teams in the Upper School, and 84% of Pace students play at least one team sport.
- Pace offers an extensive program in visual arts, music and theater.

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP

At the heart of our mission is a commitment to create prepared, confident citizens of the world. The Isdell Center for Global Leadership (ICGL) spearheads this educational endeavor by providing students from Pre-First through 12th grade with wide-ranging curricular and co-curricular opportunities to explore, understand and engage in our globalized world. In addition to global study tours, available to students in all three divisions, every student explores an annual global theme through multiple disciplinary lenses. This theme-based approach gives students the opportunity to tackle real-world issues while developing global-mindedness, cultural competence, international expertise and leadership.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Pace Academy offers 20 Honors classes and 24 Advanced Placement courses. *Students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses must take the AP exam.*

THE GRADING SYSTEM

The Pace transcript uses an unweighted numeric grading scale for academic courses. Grade Point Average is reported on a 100-point scale with a weight of 7 for Advanced Placement courses and post-AP Honors courses, 5 for Honors courses and 2 for all other college-preparatory courses. A year-by-year and a cumulative weighted GPA are provided on the transcript for each student. Due to the small size of our senior classes, *Pace does not provide a class rank.*

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Pace Academy requires 46 total units of credit for its diploma—42 of which must be academic, four of which may be satisfied with academic or non-academic electives. In addition, students must satisfy a non-unit physical education requirement (either by participating in an interscholastic athletics team or in an after-school P.E. class), as well as a non-unit service requirement of 40 hours of community service. A normal schedule consists of six classes per semester. Students receive one unit of credit for each semester of study.

TESTING PROFILE

	ACT MID 50%	ACT MEAN	SAT MID 50%	SAT MEAN
CLASS OF 2022	28–34	31	1220–1470	1340
CLASS OF 2021	26–33	30	1210–1500	1341
CLASS OF 2020	28–34	30	1210–1460	1320
CLASS OF 2019	27–33	30	1170–1320	1305

UPPER SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS

	NINTH GRADE	10TH GRADE	11TH GRADE	12TH GRADE
ENGLISH <i>8 units required for graduation</i>	Literary Heroes Honors Literary Heroes	Literary Genres Honors Literary Genres	American Literature Honors American Literature AP English Literature & Composition	World Literature Creative Writing I, II AP English Language & Composition Honors World Literature
MATHEMATICS <i>8 units required for graduation (minimum of Algebra II)</i>	Geometry Honors Geometry	Algebra II Honors Algebra II	Pre-Calculus Honors Pre-Calculus Honors Analysis	Discrete Math Statistics & Probability Honors Calculus AP Statistics AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC Honors Multivariate Calculus* Honors Advanced Topics in Math*
SCIENCE <i>6 units required for graduation (two units each—physics, chemistry and biology)</i>	Conceptual Physics Honors Mathematical Physics	Computational Chemistry Honors Analytical Chemistry	Environmental Biology Honors Molecular & Genetic Biology AP Biology	Anatomy & Physiology I, II AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics 1 AP Physics C: Mechanics AP Psychology Advanced Science Research* Investigative Science
SOCIAL SCIENCE <i>6 units required for graduation (minimum of two units of U.S. history and a minimum of four units of non-U.S. history)</i>	Ancient World Civilizations Honors Ancient World Civilizations	Europe & the World AP Modern European History	American History AP U.S. History	Global Studies AP Art History AP Comparative Government & Politics African American Saga AP Microeconomics AP Macroeconomics AP World History Women in History
WORLD LANGUAGES <i>4 units required for graduation (minimum through third level)</i>	French II Honors French II Honors Latin II Spanish II Honors Spanish II	French III Honors French III Honors Latin III Spanish III Honors Spanish III	French IV AP French Language AP Latin Spanish IV AP Spanish Language	French V Honors French V World Literature* Honors Advanced Latin Poetry* Spanish V Honors Spanish V World Literature*
OTHER NOTABLE COURSES <i>4 units of ACADEMIC ELECTIVES required for graduation; 3 units of FINE ARTS required for graduation</i>				Robotics Advanced Studio Art AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principles Applied Psychology & Leadership AP Music Theory Honors Data Structures & Algorithms*

*Post-AP course

COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS

The graduates of the Classes of 2020, 2021 and 2022 attend the following colleges and universities:

American University	Miami University	University of California
Auburn University (18)	of Ohio	(Berkeley)
Baylor University	Middlebury	University of California
Belmont University (2)	College (2)	(Irvine)
Berea College	Morehouse College	University of California
Birmingham-Southern College	Naval Academy	(Los Angeles) (4)
Boston College (3)	New York	University of Chicago
Bowdoin College	University (2)	University of
Brandeis University	North Carolina A&T	Cincinnati
Brown University (4)	State University (2)	University of Colorado
Chapman University	North Carolina	(Boulder) (3)
Clemson University (5)	Wesleyan	University of Denver
Cleveland State University (2)	University	University of
Colgate University	Northeastern	Florida (2)
College of Charleston	University	University of
Colorado School of Mines	Northwestern	Georgia (26)
Columbia University (4)	University (3)	University of Kentucky
Cornell University	Oberlin College (2)	University of Maryland
Dartmouth College (2)	Oglethorpe University	(College Park)
Davidson College (3)	Pomona College	University of Miami (7)
Denison University (2)	Princeton University (3)	University of
DePaul University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Michigan (7)
Dickinson College	Rhodes College (3)	University of
Duke University (5)	Rice University	Notre Dame (4)
Eastern Illinois University	Santa Clara	University of
Elon University	University (2)	Pennsylvania (2)
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Savannah College of Art and Design (2)	University of
Emory University (3)	Southern Methodist University (4)	San Diego
Florida State University (2)	Spelman College	University of Southern California (2)
Furman University	Stanford University (4)	University of St
Georgetown University (5)	Stetson University	Andrews (Scotland)
Georgia College	Syracuse University (5)	University of
Georgia Institute of Technology (12)	Temple University	Tennessee (2)
Georgia State University (4)	(Japan Campus)	University of Texas
Grinnell College	Texas A&M	at Austin (5)
Hampden-Sydney College	University (2)	University of
Hampton University	University (2)	Virginia (9)
Harvard University (2)	Texas Christian	University of
Hendrix College	University (7)	Wisconsin
Howard University (4)	The College of William and Mary (2)	Vanderbilt
Indiana University (8)	The New School (2)	University (6)
Lehigh University	The Ohio State	Virginia
Louisiana State University (2)	University (2)	Commonwealth
Marshall University	Trinity College	University
	Tufts University (2)	Wake Forest
	Tulane University (10)	University (16)
	Tuskegee University	Washington and Lee
	UNC-Chapel Hill (2)	University (5)
	UNC-Greensboro	Washington University
	University of	In St. Louis (7)
	Alabama (11)	Wellesley University
	University of Alabama	Wesleyan University
	at Birmingham (2)	Williams College
		Yale University (1)