



## School Profile

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## Community

Laurens Academy is conveniently located on over 40 acres in the northeast portion of Laurens County, South Carolina. Our location allows us to serve students from Laurens, Greenville, Spartanburg, Union, Greenwood and Newberry Counties. Our International Program hosts an average of 12 high school students per year representing countries such as: China, Brazil, Germany, France, Denmark, Italy, Thailand, Mexico, India, Korea and Spain.

## School

Laurens Academy is a college preparatory school in a non-denominational Christian environment with an average of 200 students in K-4 through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The school opened in 1994 and graduated its first senior class in 2002. Laurens Academy is accredited by the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

## Curriculum

The College Preparatory Course Prerequisites set forth by the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education and the admission requirements of our state universities serve as a guide for our high school curriculum design. A minimum of 24 credits are required for graduation. An extensive dual-enrollment curriculum for high school juniors and seniors through the University of South Carolina allows students the opportunity to graduate with over 30 college credit hours in general education courses.

## Grading and Ranking

All grades are computed using the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale with Honors and Dual-Enrollment courses following the weighted guidelines. Grades earned prior to August 15, 2016 used the following scale: A=93-100, B=85-92, C=77-84, D=70-76, F=Below 70. Grades earned after August 15, 2016 are calculated using the following scale: A= 90-100, B= 80-89, C= 70-79, D= 60-69, F= Below 60. Ranking is based on overall GPA.

## College Preparatory Requirements:

Math- Minimum of 4 units  
 English- Minimum of 4 units  
 Science- Minimum of 4 units  
 Foreign Language- Minimum of 2 units of same language  
 Social Studies- Minimum of 3 units  
 Fine Arts- Minimum of 1 unit  
 Health/Physical Education- Minimum of 1 unit  
 Computer- Minimum of 1 unit  
 Electives- Minimum of 4 units

## Dual-enrollment classes offered:

### University of South Carolina/Union Courses:

ENGL 101	Critical Reading & Composition (3 hours)
ENGL 102	Rhetoric & Composition (3 hours)
FILM 180	Film Culture (3 hours)
HIST 111	U. S. History to 1865
HIST 112	U. S. History since 1865
SPAN 109*	Beginning Spanish I (3 hours)
SPAN 110*	Beginning Spanish II (3 hours)
MATH 111	Basic College Mathematics (3 hours)
MATH 112	Trigonometry (2 hours)
THEA 200	Appreciation of Theatre (3 hours)
SPCH 140	Public Communication (3 hours)
PSYC 101	Intro to Psychology (3 hours)
CRJU 101*	The American Criminal Justice System (3 hours)
RELG 120*	Comparative Religion

Classes are taught by professors from USC Union and held on the Laurens Academy campus unless otherwise noted.

\*Held on college campus.

## Two year Trend Standardized Test Results:

### ACT

25 **Average** Composite Top 25%

### SAT

1226 **Average** of Critical Reading and Math Sections  
Top 25%

### Post High School Placement

98% Matriculated to 4-year colleges or 2- year  
bridge programs with a 4-year college  
2% Matriculated to a 2-year technical college

### Awards and Distinctions,

100% College Acceptance  
100% Received Scholarships

## Colleges Attended by Laurens Academy Graduates

### South Carolina Schools

Anderson University  
Citadel  
Clemson University  
Coastal Carolina University  
Coker College  
College of Charleston  
Erskine College  
Francis Marion University  
Furman University  
Greenville Technical College  
Lander University  
Newberry College  
North Greenville University  
Piedmont Technical College  
Presbyterian College  
Spartanburg Methodist College  
Tri-County Technical College  
University of South Carolina  
University of South Carolina Union  
University of South Carolina Upstate  
Wofford College  
Winthrop University

### Out of State Schools

Covenant College  
Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising L.A., CA  
Full Sail University  
Michigan State University  
Purdue University  
San Diego State University  
School of Visual Arts New York City, NY  
University of California Santa Cruz  
University of Tennessee  
University of Wisconsin

### International Schools

Copenhagen University College of Engineering Denmark  
International College of Business Denmark  
RWTH Aachen University Germany

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