

# LOYOLA ACADEMY

*Women and Men for Others, Leaders in Service*

## School Profile 2009-2010

### SCHOOL

Loyola Academy is a co-educational, private, Catholic, Jesuit college preparatory high school located on the North Shore of Chicago. All of Loyola's programs are college preparatory, with 99% of the graduating class enrolling in four-year institutions. We have 175 faculty members; 75% hold advanced degrees, including 4% with PhDs. Neighboring high schools include New Trier, Glenbrook South, Glenbrook North and Regina Dominican.

Loyola Academy is fully accredited by the Illinois State Board of Education and by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. We are members of the Jesuit Secondary Education Association, the College Board, and the National and Illinois Associations of College Admission Counseling.

### ENROLLMENT

With approximately 2,000 students (532 seniors) enrolled in grades 9-12, Loyola is the largest Jesuit college preparatory high school in the United States. Loyola draws students of diverse backgrounds from 250 elementary and junior high schools throughout Chicago (40%) and the suburbs (60%). Grant aid is available to students based on need. In 2008-2009, \$3.75 million in aid was granted to 30% of the student body. This financial commitment enables students from diverse socioeconomic backgrounds to attend Loyola Academy.

### PHILOSOPHY

Established in 1909, Loyola is committed to the full and harmonious development of the whole person according to one's capacity and stage of development. *Cura personalis*, a Latin phrase meaning "care for the person," is at the core of our Jesuit mission. Our curriculum thoughtfully and intentionally integrates the academic, spiritual, emotional and physical development of our students with the experience of service to others, as reflected in our motto, "Women and Men for Others, Leaders in Service." Loyola students are not required to participate in school sponsored service activities; however, approximately 90% of the Class of 2009 participated in voluntary service work.

Our **Student Formation Program** is founded on the precepts in Loyola's *Profile of a Graduate at Graduation*, which details Loyola Academy's commitment to providing a formative educational experience resulting in graduates who are leaders of competence, conscience and compassion. This Formation Program, a required part of the curriculum each year, enhances the ways in which Loyola helps students achieve their full potential as well-rounded young people who are religious, intellectually competent, physically fit, loving, open to growth and committed to doing justice.

### THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Theology courses at Loyola are academically demanding. They incorporate the study of anthropology, philosophy, psychology, sociology, history and ethics. College textbooks, along with classical and contemporary literature, are used to study theology with a strong emphasis on philosophy. Critical thinking skills, extensive writing and discussion are integral components of theology coursework.

### ADMISSION

Admission to Loyola is based on several factors including, but not limited to, the entrance exam score, junior high school grades and previous standardized testing. Legacy relationships may be considered as a factor in admission. Loyola does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, religion or ethnic origin in its admission policies.

### SCHEDULE

Loyola Academy operates on the semester system. The school day begins at 7:45 and ends at 2:57. Classes meet for 43 minutes each day. Students take six courses per semester. Students with a GPA of 90 or higher may petition to take seven courses per semester.

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## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 25.0 credits are required for graduation, including:

English 4.0	Math 3.0	Social Studies 2.0	Laboratory Science 2.0
Theology 3.5	Foreign Language 2.0	Electives 4.0	Fine Arts 1.0
Performing Arts/P.E. 2.0	Formation Studies 1.0	Speech/Communications .5	

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS COURSES

Loyola Academy offers 24 AP courses and 50 Honors courses. Student enrollment in AP or Honors classes is based on academic performance, current GPA and teacher recommendation. **It is highly recommended that students take no more than three AP classes in their junior and senior years.**

AP Art History	AP Computer Science A	AP Music Theory	AP Studio Art
AP Biology	AP English Language	AP Physics B	AP US Government and Politics
AP Calculus AB	AP Environmental Science	AP Physics C	AP US History
AP Calculus BC	AP European History	AP Psychology	AP World History
AP Chemistry	AP French Language	AP Spanish Language	
AP Comparative Government and Politics	AP Latin	AP Spanish Literature	
	AP Literature/Composition	AP Statistics	

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS

All students taking AP courses at Loyola are required to take the corresponding AP exam. Students may take AP exams in other subject areas for which they are prepared. In 2009, 426 students took 768 exams. Seventy-eight percent earned a score of three or above and 53% earned a score of four or above.

## DUMBACH SCHOLARS HONORS PROGRAM

The Dumbach Scholars Honors Program is designed to enhance the curriculum of Loyola students interested in immersion in the humanities. The program is grounded in the philosophy of the Great Books Foundation's Shared Inquiry Method. Admission to the Dumbach Scholars program is highly competitive. Approximately 10% of our students are Dumbach Scholars.

## CLAVIUS SCHOLARS HONORS PROGRAM

The Clavius Scholars Honors Program is designed to enhance the curriculum of Loyola students interested in immersion in math and science, emphasizing a critical appreciation of the scientific process. Like the Dumbach Scholars Program, the Clavius Program is grounded in the Great Books Foundation's Shared Inquiry Method and admission is highly competitive.

## INTEGRATED SCIENCES PROGRAM

Students scoring in the top 50% on the STS entrance exam are invited to enroll in the Integrated Sciences program, but may opt to take the traditional sciences sequence. Integrated Sciences consists of three, year-long courses covering one full year each of biology, chemistry and physics by the end of the three year program. Honors level courses are available in both the Integrated Sciences and the traditional sciences sequence.

## SUMMER SCHOOL

Each year, over one-third of our students attend summer school for enrichment purposes or to fulfill requirements.

## DISCIPLINARY REPORTING POLICY

It is the policy of Loyola Academy not to report disciplinary infractions to post-secondary institutions. However, it should be noted that serious infractions result in dismissal.

## CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Clubs and activities are an integral part of our mission to educate the whole person. Loyola offers 65 clubs from which to choose. These provide students with a blend of social, artistic, academic and service experiences outside of the school day.

## INTERSCHOLASTIC/CLUB ATHLETICS

Loyola Academy's athletes participate in one of the most competitive leagues in the Illinois High School Association. Most of our varsity sports have off-season strength and conditioning programs as well as rigorous summer camps which require a high level of dedication, organization and commitment on the part of our students. Part of our mission is to help our students to become physically fit and to apply the values of teamwork, integrity and hard work to adult life. Teams include boys baseball, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls bowling, boys and girls cross country, girls field hockey, boys football, boys and girls golf, boys and girls ice hockey club, boys and girls lacrosse club, boys and girls rowing club, a coed sailing club, boys and girls soccer, girls softball, boys and girls swimming/diving, boys and girls tennis, boys and girls track, boys and girls volleyball, boys and girls water polo and boys wrestling.

# Academic Profile

## GRADING AND RANKING

All courses are taught at the college preparatory level. Students are not ranked. The grading scale is extremely rigorous and is as follows:

A+ = 98-100	B+ = 90-92	C+ = 82-84	D+ = 76-77	F = 65
A = 95-97	B = 87-89	C = 80-81	D = 72-75	
A- = 93-94	B- = 85-86	C- = 78-79	D- = 70-71	

## WEIGHTING

Both weighted and unweighted averages appear on the bottom of the transcript. Specific course grades are unweighted. No weighted points are assigned to grades below 78 in weighted courses. Multipliers used to determine the weighted GPA are as follows:

AP = 1.08    Honors = 1.05

## HONORS ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS

Loyola Scholar: 93.0 unweighted average; First Honors: 89.5 weighted average; Second Honors: 84.5 weighted average

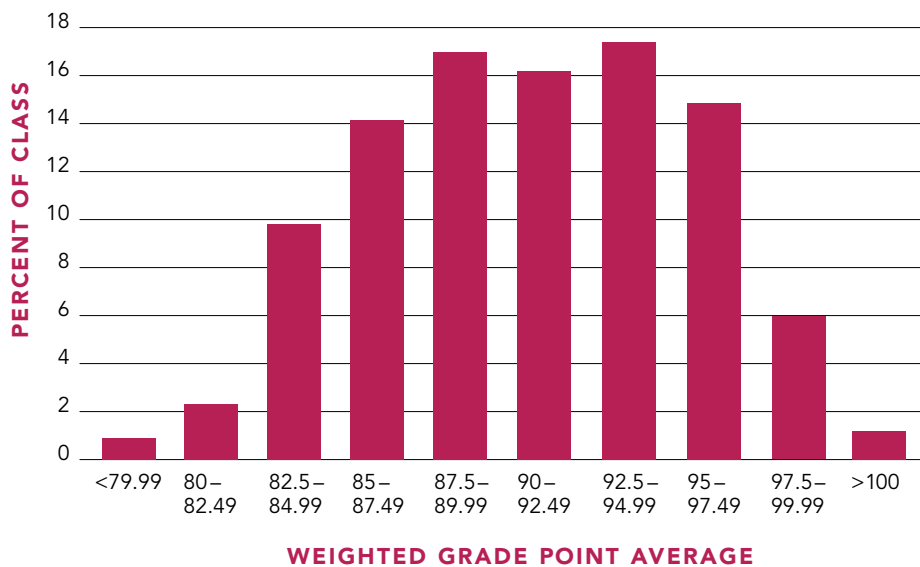
## Class of 2009

### PSAT/NMSQT

- 1 National Merit Corporate Scholarship Winner
- 1 National Achievement Scholarship Winner
- 3 National Merit Finalists
- 3 National Merit Semi-Finalists
- 18 National Merit Commended Students
- 1 National Achievement Finalist
- 115 Illinois State Scholars

## Grade Distribution — Class of 2010

Based on 532 students and six semesters of study



## CLASS OF 2009

### ACT (92% tested)

### SAT (35% tested)

Mid 50% range:	23-28	Mid 50% range:	Critical Reading: 590-650	Math: 590-650	Writing: 580-640
Loyola Academy average:	25.5	Average:	Critical Reading: 590	Math: 584	Writing: 589
Illinois State average:	20.8				

# College Matriculation Information

## Loyola Academy Class of 2009

99% of Loyola Academy's Class of 2009 attended four-year colleges as follows:

**62.3% Private**  
**37.7% Public**  
**26% Jesuit**  
**69.5% Out-of-State**  
**30.5% In-State**

The University of Alabama	Hamilton College – NY	University of Notre Dame
Amherst College	Hillsdale College	Oakton Community College
Arizona State University	College of the Holy Cross	The Ohio State University
Auburn University	Hope College	Parsons The New School for Design
Barry University	Howard University	University of Pennsylvania
Bates College	University of Illinois at Chicago	Pepperdine University
Benedictine University	University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign	Providence College
Boston College	Illinois Institute of Technology	Purdue University
Bowdoin College	Illinois State University	Regis University
Bradley University	Illinois Wesleyan University	Robert Morris University, Chicago
Brown University	Indiana University at Bloomington	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Butler University	Indiana University– Purdue University Fort Wayne	Saint Joseph's University
University of California at Los Angeles	The University of Iowa	Saint Louis University
Carroll University (Wisconsin)	John Carroll University	Saint Mary's College of California
Carthage College	Johnson & Wales University	Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
University of Chicago	University of Kansas	Santa Barbara City College
Colby College	Knox College	Santa Clara University
University of Colorado at Boulder	Lake Forest College	School of the Museum of Fine Arts
Columbia College	Lawrence University	Seattle University
Columbia University	Lehigh University	Seton Hall University
Creighton University	Loras College	University of Southern California
The Culinary Institute of America	Loyola University Chicago	Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
Dartmouth College	Loyola University New Orleans	Spring Hill College
University of Dayton	Marquette University	St. Olaf College
Denison University	University of Maryland, College Park	Stanford University
University of Denver	Miami University, Oxford	Suffolk University
DePaul University	University of Miami	Syracuse University
DePauw University	Michigan State University	Taylor University
Dickinson College	University of Michigan	Tennessee State University
Dominican University	Middlebury College	Texas Christian University
Drake University	University of Minnesota, Duluth	Trinity University
Drexel University	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	Union College
Dublin City University	University of Missouri Columbia	United States Military Academy
Duquesne University	The University of Montana, Missoula	United States Naval Academy
Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne	University of Nebraska at Lincoln	Vanderbilt University
Elmhurst College	New York University	University of Vermont
Emory University	North Park University	Villanova University
Ferris State University	Northeastern Illinois University	Washington and Lee University
Fordham University	Northeastern University	Williams College
Furman University	Northern Illinois University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
The George Washington University	Northwestern University	The College of Wooster
Georgetown University		Xavier University
Goucher College		
Grand Valley State University		
Grinnell College		