

Mission of Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall: Inspired by the Mercy Tradition, Lauralton Hall empowers young women to pursue their highest potential through lifelong learning, compassionate service, and responsible leadership in a global society.



SCHOOL PROFILE

Established in 1905 by the Sisters of Mercy, Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall educates young women in grades 9-12. Located on a 25-acre campus in Milford, Connecticut, Lauralton Hall is the first Catholic independent college preparatory school for girls in the state.

ACCREDITATION

Lauralton Hall is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the Connecticut Department of Education. Lauralton Hall is a member of the Connecticut Association of Schools, Connecticut Association of Independent Schools, Mercy Secondary Education Association, and National Association of Independent Schools.

STUDENT BODY

The student body is comprised of 350 young women, the majority from Fairfield and New Haven counties. Students commute by car, bus, and train (campus is a short walk from Milford's Metro-North station).

Students are immersed in the School's warm and welcoming community where a culture of tradition and innovation intersects. Lauralton Hall provides need-based financial aid to 22% of students. Today's student body represents diverse backgrounds - racial, socio-economic, geographic, cultural, and faith - and includes 3% international students.

ACADEMICS

Lauralton Hall's college preparatory curriculum emphasizes mastery of analytical and critical thinking skills, problem solving, and the ability to communicate ideas effectively. Course levels include college preparatory, honors, advanced placement (AP) and UConn ECE.

AP course offerings: Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science Principles, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, European History, French Language and Culture, Latin, Physics I, Psychology, Spanish Language, and U.S. History.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Lauralton Hall requires a minimum of 24 credits which must include six major subject areas (English, World Languages, History, Mathematics, Science and Religion), one credit in fine arts, and 75 hours of community service.

CLASS OF 2020 SAT RESULTS

Please contact Lauralton Hall's Office of College and School Counseling at 203.877.2786 ext. 138.

COLLEGE AND SCHOOL COUNSELING

Lauralton Hall's five counselors guide students to achieve academic success and provide personalized college counseling. Each new student is assigned a school counselor who advises on curriculum. Juniors are assigned a college counselor who advises the student and her family throughout the college search, application, and admission process. The counseling team also includes a dean of international students.

FINE ARTS

Lauralton Hall offers studio art, music theory, and a wide variety of instrumental and choral ensembles including our award-winning Advanced Vocal Ensemble and Symphonic and Jazz Orchestras. Lauralton's production of *The Pirates of Penzance* earned two Halo awards: Best Classical Musical and Best Leading Actress in a Classical Musical. LH students earned six additional nominations.

SPIRITUALITY

Lauralton Hall is one of 42 Mercy high schools in the Americas and shares with other Mercy secondary schools the following core values:

- *Compassion and service*
- *Educational excellence*
- *Concern for women and women's issues*
- *Global vision and responsibility*
- *Spiritual growth and development*
- *Collaboration*

ATHLETICS

- Lauralton Hall is a member of the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) and the Southern Connecticut Conference (SCC).
- Students participate in 15 varsity sports: basketball, cheerleading, cross country, field hockey, golf, ice hockey, indoor track, outdoor track, lacrosse, skiing, soccer, softball, swimming and diving (2018 Class M State Championship), tennis, and volleyball.
- Two members of the Class of 2019 committed to Division I athletics (soccer, swimming) and two to Division II (lacrosse, softball) and are among 13 graduates who will go on to play sports at the collegiate level.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Students can participate in more than 40 clubs and organizations as well as student government, theater, publications, and service opportunities. Among 2019 highlights: The Engineering Team competed in the 2019-20 Sikorsky Stem Challenge designing a Smart Rescue Hoist System. The team was ranked first moving into the final round of competition, which was interrupted by the Covid shutdown. The team will continue development in the upcoming school year.

Entrance Exam Waived for 2020



ADMINISTRATION

Leadership Team:

Elizabeth Miller
Head of School

Kathleen O. Shine
Director of Enrollment

Sherri Franzman
Business Manager

Kathleen Kearns Donahue '80
Director of Advancement

Kathleen O'Rourke
Director of Community Relations

Academic Team:

Jan Powers '75
Dean of Academics

Yvonne Fosse-Previs '90
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On March 10, 2020 we closed campus due to potential exposure to COVID-19.

The next day, online learning was in full operation—classes conducted by video conference following our regular daily schedule for the remainder of the school year. Six years of practice during inclement weather closings, skilled faculty, technology, motivated students and supportive parents allowed us to make such a move seamlessly.



Graduates in the Class of 2020 will attend 58 different colleges in 22 states including Boston College, Brown, College of the Holy Cross, Harvard, Tufts University, University of California Los Angeles, University of Michigan, University of Notre Dame, University of Pennsylvania, and University of Virginia. Colleges and universities at which Lauralton students were accepted in the last four years include:

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FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION

- Eight administrators among the leadership and academic teams, thirty-seven faculty members, and five counselors
- Faculty with advanced degrees: 85%

TUITION AND FEES

- Tuition: \$22,500 plus books and uniform
- Need-based financial aid is available

MOTTO

Fides consequitur quodquonque petit,
meaning "Faith attains all that it seeks."

ALUMNAE

Lauralton Hall has an active alumnae network of 7,000+ women globally.

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

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