

# Stanford | Online High School

An Independent School • Grades 7–12





# Academic Experience

Our curriculum fosters critical reasoning and persuasive argumentation, engages students in advanced academic content, develops skills in oral and written communication, and promotes intellectual maturity and personal responsibility.



## Global Perspectives *An Instructor's View*

*"I love the way Stanford OHS brings together students living such different everyday lives into the same classroom at the same time, to learn from each other and form lasting bonds."*

—Meg Lamont, Ph.D.  
Assistant Head of School

## An Innovative Curriculum

Our curriculum emphasizes discipline-specific knowledge along with the development of broadly applicable academic skills: an understanding of evidence; strategies of criticism and persuasion; facility with the analysis of data; and critical reasoning. Our Core Sequence enables students to engage in the philosophical analysis of human nature, science, political theory, and other areas of study.

## Scholarly Instructors

Our instructors are distinguished by their expertise in academic disciplines; by their passion for teaching highly talented students in a demanding, interactive online environment; and by the high expectations they have for their students and for themselves. Their innovative pedagogy makes use of a wide range of teaching tools and technologies, turning students' varied locations into a virtue, and ensuring that everyone is fully present and participating in each college-style seminar.



# Student Life & Community

With a student body dispersed around the globe, we've created a vibrant community to bring everyone together through activities and events. Our supportive environment fosters the academic, social-emotional, and personal success of all Stanford OHS students through tailored resources.

## Vibrant Virtual Community

### 50+ Student-Run Clubs & Organizations

Art Club	Filmaking Club	Model United Nations
Astronomy Club	Gender Sexuality Alliance	Pixel Journal
Chinese Club	Girls Can Code	Pre-Veterinary Club
Competitive Physics Club	History Club	Robotics Club
Debate Club	Math Competition Club	Yearbook Club
Ethics Bowl Team	Minority Student Alliance	...And More!

**20+ Assemblies & Events** include research colloquiums, a speaker series, and school-wide holiday assemblies that bring the school together.

**Student Government** acts as a student voice and plans school events.



### The Pixel School Character

*"The Pixel is a perfect representation of our school's community. On a computer, each pixel is important and distinct, and when all of the pixels come together, they form a cohesive digital tapestry."*

**—Kristen Sullivan**  
Director of Student Life

## Dynamic In-Person Opportunities

**Regional Meetups** are hosted by families around the world, in addition to the school-sponsored StartUp! at the beginning of the year.

**Graduation Weekend** is held over three days on Stanford University's campus, including prom, school-wide awards, and our graduation ceremony.

**Summer @ Stanford** offers two weeks at Stanford University where students connect in-person, live on campus, and engage in an enriching academic program.

**Pixel Festival and Splash!** are held annually on different coasts and include events like homecoming, flag football, and the winter formal dance.

**Student Travel Trips** allow students to dive deeply into the culture of varying locations with veteran instructors and classmates.

## Dedicated Student Support

**Academic Advisors** support the educational experiences of each Stanford OHS student, helping them to chart their academic paths.

**Counselors** ensure that students' academic, emotional, and social development needs are met.

**College Counselors** provide individualized support for graduating students, and community-wide workshops about the college application process.

**Writing & Tutoring Center** creates an academic community of confident writers through workshops, labs, and individual sessions with peer tutors or staff.



# Schedule & Enrollment

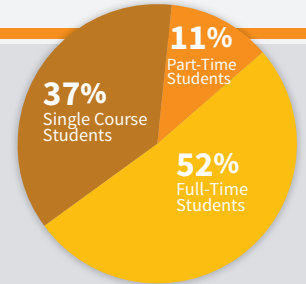
Our college-style schedule and flexible enrollment options allow for a rich life beyond the classroom while teaching students to manage their own studies and workload. Stanford OHS students are able to remain in their local communities and attend class from anywhere in the world.

## College-Style Schedule

Discussion seminars meet in real-time each week throughout the academic year. Our school day runs from 6:00am to 10:00pm Pacific Time, with multiple sections of courses to accommodate our global community. Each school year, our schedule is built around student time constraints.

### Typical Student Week

Pacific Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30–9:45am	Chinese 2	Chinese 2		Chinese 2	Robotics Club
9:45–11:00am	Modes of Writing	Homeroom	Modes of Writing		School Assembly
2:45–4:00pm	Precalculus	AP Biology	Precalculus	AP Biology	Student Gov.
4:00–5:15pm		History of Science	Volunteering	History of Science	



## Enrollment Options

Full-Time  
4–5 courses

Part-Time  
2–3 courses

Single Course  
1 course

## Flexible Enrollment

Stanford OHS meets each student's goals with three enrollment options: full-time, part-time, or single course. Students can attend Stanford OHS as their only school or as a way to supplement their learning with courses not typically found in secondary schools. Access to academic advising, clubs, and events is available to students in all enrollment levels. To graduate from Stanford OHS with a high school diploma, students must be enrolled full-time in their final two years of high school. Additionally, they must complete a minimum number of Stanford OHS courses, and requirements by subject area.



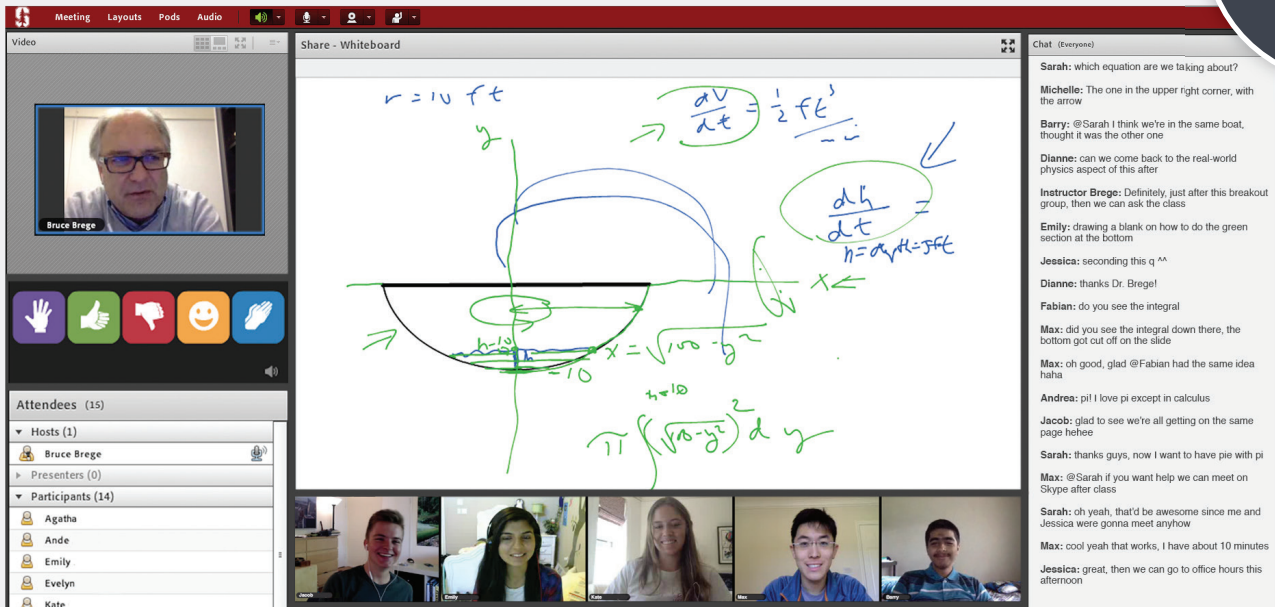


# Expect the Extraordinary

Stanford Online High School creates a worldwide learning community of diverse, intellectually passionate students and teachers. Through vibrant seminars, our rigorous curriculum challenges students to reason analytically, think creatively, and argue critically.



## Our Classroom



Students connect in real-time, online seminars. These students are participating in a mathematics class.

## How It Works

Stanford OHS courses, averaging 12 students per class, can be accessed from anywhere across the globe. In this dynamic online setting that goes beyond the capabilities of brick-and-mortar schools, instructors and students meet and engage in live discussions.

Our video conferencing platform enables students to see and speak with classmates and teachers during class seminars. Students prepare for discussion seminars by watching recorded lectures, reading texts, working through math problem sets, or conducting an at-home lab assignment. These preparatory activities require students to develop independence and self-discipline. Our instructional model helps students to deepen their understanding of course materials. During class, students actively participate by sharing ideas and questions with instructors and peers, annotating onscreen materials, and collaborating in small groups.





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## Mission Statement

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