



Academy

INTERNATIONAL
BOARDING SCHOOLS

TEACHING AT EF ACADEMY





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EF Education First - A trusted international organization

EXPERIENCE: MORE THAN 50 YEARS OF SUCCESS

Since 1965, EF has helped millions of satisfied people travel the world, learn a language, engage in cultural exchange, enhance their education and earn degrees. Today, we are one of the world's largest and most respected educational organizations.

INNOVATION: EF'S RESEARCH NETWORK

EF is committed to improving how the world learns. We have established research collaborations at the University of Cambridge, Harvard University, Peking University, Moscow State University, the University of São Paulo and the University of Tokyo. We have developed innovative youth programs with the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations, and we have proudly served as the official language training supplier for numerous Olympic Games, including Rio, PyeongChang and Tokyo.

QUALITY: FULLY ACCREDITED AND APPROVED

Our first-rate facilities, highly professional teaching staff, and innovative curriculum have earned us the respect of the world's most prestigious accrediting organizations and monitoring bodies.

SAFETY: 24-HOUR SECURITY NETWORK

The well-being of every single student is our top priority. All of our schools, study centers and residential campuses are monitored by trained security staff. Our 24-hour security network allows us to monitor every aspect of students' education with us - around the world and around the clock.

500

SCHOOLS AND
OFFICES

52

COUNTRIES

16,000

FULL-TIME
OFFICE STAFF

5,000

FULL-TIME FACULTY



EF Academy International Boarding Schools

Our mission is to open a world of opportunities for high school students by providing them with a superior education abroad, thorough preparation for university and a future that knows no borders.

ABOUT US

EF Academy is the newest product within the EF organization. Established in 2005, EF Academy has three campus locations - New York, Torbay and Oxford - and a student body made up of 75 different nationalities.

CURRICULUM

At our schools, we teach the IGCSE, International Baccalaureate® and A-Level (UK only) programs. Our schools in New York and Torbay are four-year high schools with Grades 9-12; our school in Oxford is a two-year school with Grades 11 and 12 only.

In each of these programs, students can choose a wide variety of courses such as arts, computer science, languages, business, psychology and many more. We also encourage students to apply their knowledge by participating in co-curricular activities such as clubs and excursions. These activities are all led by faculty members.

TEACHING AND LEARNING

The majority of our faculty has advanced degrees, so they are experts in their field and the subjects they teach. Many of them also have international experiences that involve studying or teaching abroad, or both. Teaching at EF Academy is very interactive and participatory. The student-staff ratio is 7:1 and classes have a maximum of 15 students, making it possible for teachers to work with students on a one-on-one basis or in small groups, and to deliver personalized feedback that helps individuals succeed. In a boarding school setting, teachers are important figures in the lives of students and support them academically and sometimes even with personal matters such as homesickness or difficulties adjusting to life in a new country.

Students are encouraged to be inquisitive and curious, to challenge their own perceptions, to express their ideas and listen as others express theirs. Additionally, they are taught to embrace diversity and explore the cultures and backgrounds of their peers.

75

NATIONALITIES IN
OUR STUDENT
BODY

100%

ACCEPTANCE RATE
TO UNIVERSITY
DEGREE PROGRAMS

7:1

STUDENT-STAFF
RATIO

92%

SATISFACTION
RATE WITH STAFF
SUPPORT



EF Academy New York

Surrounded by 100 acres of landscaped grounds, EF Academy New York offers students a huge variety of activities to take part in and plenty of space for them to pursue their passions. Here, they experience a traditional American high school education in a unique international setting that inspires, transforms and empowers them.

ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

At EF Academy New York, we provide open-minded students with a gateway to their future by aligning their academic needs with world-class instruction. With easy access to Manhattan, teachers often take their classes on trips to the city to immerse them in the subject material they are teaching. Experiential learning is an important part of teaching at EF Academy New York. Students also have a variety of programs, courses and activities to choose from and our teachers, counselors and university advisors work together with each individual to ensure they are on the path that will push and reward them, and help them develop the skills they need to succeed at university and beyond. Throughout the year, representatives from over 150 universities visit our campus so students have great exposure to schools that they will apply to in Grades 11 and 12.

PROGRAMS

IGCSE - Grades 9 & 10

IB DIPLOMA - Grades 11 & 12

IB CERTIFICATES - Grades 11 & 12

U.S. HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA - Grades 9-12

HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dr. Brian Mahoney has been the Head of School since 2011. He has a Bachelor's Degree in History and a Master's Degree and PhD in Educational Leadership. Dr. Mahoney was educated at Siena College and Fordham University, he was an Edward Ford Fellowship recipient from the National Association of Independent Schools, and he has over 14 years of experience as a teacher, administrator and head of private schools.



800

STUDENTS

102

FACULTY &
STAFF

2005

YEAR OPENED

2014

MOVED TO
THORNWOOD

14-19

AGES OF
STUDENTS



ACTIVITIES

Sports, arts and STEM make up a large portion of the clubs and activities that our students take part in. There are nearly ten varsity sports teams and they compete in leagues against local high schools. The Drama Club puts on two full-length plays a year in the on-campus auditorium. The school has hosted robotics conferences; teams have attended Model UN conferences, hackathons and math competitions in other states; and the Student Council has a very active role in student life. Excursions to exhibitions, plays and museums in Manhattan are organized on a regular basis.

LOCATION

EF Academy New York is located in the quiet suburban town of Thornwood and it is about 40 minutes away from Manhattan (approximately an hour by train). It is surrounded by 100 acres of landscaped grounds that include soccer and tennis courts and trails for mountain biking and running. Down the hill from the school is a small shopping plaza with a grocery store and some restaurants. The school is also located near universities and this lends itself to regular campus visits.

- > Rock Band
- > Art Club
- > Choir/Glee Club
- > Fashion Blog
- > Filmmaking Club
- > Fashion Club
- > Film Lovers Club
- > Literary Magazine
- > Personal Finance/ Stocks Club
- > Hult Global Business Challenge
- > Business Club
- > Entrepreneurship Club
- > Language Club
- > Lunar New Year
- > Spanish Peer Tutoring
- > Video Games Club
- > Astronomy Club
- > Robotics Club
- > Coding Club
- > Gardening Club
- > Pre-med Club
- > Science Peer Tutoring
- > Web Design Club
- > Physics Club
- > Activities Committee Club
- > Student Council
- > Animal Rescue Club
- > Nicaragua Club
- > Community Service Club
- > Model UN
- > Environmental Club
- > Baking Club
- > Chess Club
- > Prep Talk Club
- > Dance Club
- > Outdoor Club
- > Puzzle Game Club
- > Workout Club
- > Yoga Club
- > Table Tennis
- > Varsity Basketball
- > Varsity Cheerleading
- > Varsity Golf
- > Varsity Soccer
- > Varsity Tennis
- > Varsity Track & Field
- > Varsity Volleyball
- > Varsity Cross Country



EF ACADEMY NEW YORK
582 Columbus Avenue
Thornwood
New York 10594
United States

- > 30-minute drive to Yankee Stadium
- > 45-minute train ride to Manhattan
- > 1-hour drive to JFK International Airport
- > 1.5-hour flight to Boston



EF Academy Torbay

Situated in a modern-day castle on a hill overlooking the sea and the neighboring town of Torquay in the southwest of England, EF Academy Torbay has often been described as a family and students feel very much at home in the encouraging environment here.

ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

At EF Academy Torbay, we educate and empower students based on the philosophy that students succeed when they feel cared for. Here, students embark on learning pathways in a small, safe setting where they can be part of many co-curricular activities. EF Academy Torbay is the ideal setting for young learners who are away from home for the first time or who benefit from a nurturing environment where they will be guided by teachers, counselors, house parents and host families.

PROGRAMS

IGCSE - Grades 9 & 10

IB DIPLOMA - Grades 11 & 12

A-LEVELS - Grades 11 & 12

HEAD OF SCHOOL

Mark Howe has been the Head of School at EF Academy Torbay since 2016. He has a Bachelor's Degree in History and previously served in a range of leadership positions at the British School of Guangzhou in China. He has over 10 years of experience as a teacher, administrator and school leader in both UK and international schools.



265

STUDENTS

56

FACULTY &
STAFF

2005

YEAR OPENED

2014

YEAR REMODELED

14-19

AGES OF
STUDENTS



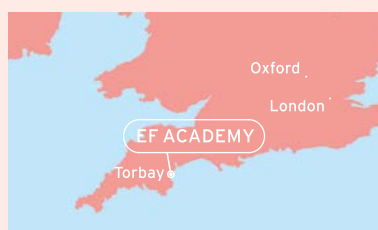
ACTIVITIES

Thanks to its location on the coast, EF Academy Torbay offers students a huge variety of outdoor activities. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a popular activity among students in all grades. Sports teams such as basketball, football and tennis compete against local schools. Over the years, there has been an emphasis on building up leadership opportunities and so there are various committees that students can be part of, from Head Students and Subject Prefects to Student Council and the Charity Committee.

- > Art Club
- > Clik Club Photography
- > Drumming Club
- > Piano Club
- > Drama Club
- > Singing
- > Science Club
- > Math Club & Challenge
- > Robotics
- > Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- > Badminton
- > Yoga
- > Tennis
- > Volleyball
- > Climbing
- > Football
- > Dance
- > Basketball
- > Retro and Modern Games Night
- > Baking and Cooking

LOCATION

Torbay's coffee shops, art galleries, boutiques and restaurants are all within walking distance of the campus. On weekends, students enjoy exploring Babbacombe Beach, sailing in the harbor, riding horses or going coasteering. We have built strong links with local businesses so students have reduced entry and discounts at the gym, rock climbing and cycling centers, cafes, cinemas and restaurants.



EF ACADEMY TORBAY
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 United Kingdom

- > 15-minute drive to Paignton Zoo
- > 30-minute drive to Exeter
- > 30-minute drive to Exeter International Airport
- > 1-hour flight to London



EF Academy Oxford

EF Academy Oxford is a five-minute bike ride from the city center and our students benefit from the spirit of learning that fills the academic heart of Britain. This school offers our students a high-quality pre-university experience in a world-class setting. The school is small and our immediate aim is to help students study, work and flourish in a friendly, mature and supportive atmosphere.

ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

The student body at this school is made up of mature, open-minded individuals who are eager to engage in a genuine pre-university experience. We emphasize this experience by cultivating an environment that encourages students to be independent and responsible. We actively develop our link to the University of Oxford by inviting graduate students to run sessions at our school, and students are invited to visit the university's math and science departments and attend lectures. They also have full access to the library and sports facilities of neighboring Oxford Brookes University.

PROGRAMS

IB DIPLOMA – Grades 11 & 12

A-LEVELS – Grades 11 & 12

HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dr. Paul Ellis has been the Head of School at EF Academy Oxford since 2015. He has Master's Degree and PhD from University College London and he is the former Deputy Head of Stonyhurst College. He has more than 20 years of experience in education and school leadership.



200

STUDENTS

46

FACULTY &
STAFF

2008

YEAR OPENED

16-19

AGES OF STUDENTS



ACTIVITIES

Thanks to the location of the school and the dedication of the faculty members involved in organizing activities, the co-curricular program is impressive and diverse. In addition to the museums, theaters and galleries in Oxford, our students often visit the Natural History Museum, the Science Museum and the British Museum in London. Additionally, we organize sports games against other schools and inter-house competitions.

LOCATION

EF Academy Oxford is located in a quiet residential area on Pullens Lane. The school is within walking distance of the city's academic heart so students experience all of Britain's finest educational traditions. London is one hour away from the school and is a popular destination for students and school groups.

- > Film Club
- > Art Club
- > Yearbook
- > Spoken Word Poetry
- > Modeling Club
- > Theater Club
- > Band
- > Historical Drama
- > Music Club
- > French Club
- > Cancer Research Club
- > Engineering Club
- > Math Club
- > Social Enterprise
- > Hult Global Business Challenge
- > Student Investor Challenge
- > Yoga
- > Basketball
- > Badminton
- > Dance Club
- > Running Club
- > Football
- > Rock Climbing
- > Chess Club
- > Model UN
- > Philosophy & Debate
- > Human Rights Club
- > Duke of Edinburgh's Award



EF ACADEMY OXFORD

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- > 15-minute bike ride to University of Oxford
- > 50-minute drive to Heathrow Airport
- > 1-hour train ride to London
- > 2-hour drive to University of Cambridge



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