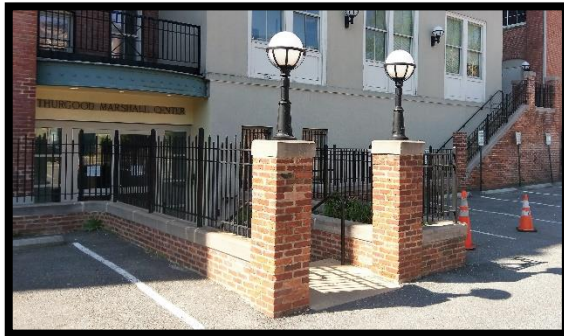




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School

Emerson Preparatory School (Emerson) is a small, independent, college preparatory day school that draws students in grades 9 through 12 from District of Columbia (DC), Virginia, Maryland and international communities. With the mission to prepare each student for post-secondary careers, college, and life by offering a supportive

environment that facilitates intellectual and personal growth, Emerson enrolls fewer than 75 students with an average class size of 7 students to preserve a diverse, cohesive, and collegial atmosphere.

2016-2017 Student Demographics

White	39 %
African-American	16 %
Asian	5 %
Hispanic/Latino/Latina	3 %
Other	37 %

Program

The Emerson community relies on 6 general principles as a guide for student conduct: intellectual curiosity, perseverance, critical thinking, divergent thinking, diversity, and global citizenship. Emerson courses last for 90

minutes, are equivalent to a full-year course, and are completed in a single term with 2 terms, fall term (August-December) and spring term (January-May), per academic year. While traditional core courses are required for graduation, Emerson offers cognate courses not commonly seen in high schools, which allows students to select courses that satisfy both their graduation requirements and their personal interest in each academic year. Summer courses, one-on-one tutoring, after-school support, and guided independent study are also available. The Emerson program is flexible, intellectually rigorous, student centered, and strives to remove unhealthy competition and anxiety from the Emerson experience.

2016-2017 Course Examples

English	Global Short Story Literature; Creative Writing: One Act Plays; Creative Writing: The Short Story; International Suspense Fiction
Language	Russian 1 and 2; Spanish 1 and 2
Math	Algebra 1 and 2; Game Theory; Calculus; Personal Finance
Science	Neuroscience; Robotics; Western and Non-Western Medicine
Social Science	Film; Mythology; US History; Race, Class, and Gender Law

Emerson classes emphasize discussion, creativity, and critical thinking over rote memorization, which fosters self-advocacy; supportive, differentiated instruction; and strong teacher-student relationships.

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Academic Performance

Honors Courses

Qualified students have the option of taking honors classes as well as the AP examination. Faculty-supervised independent study courses are also available to qualified students to explore areas of specialized interest.

Graduation Requirements

Subject	Minimum of 24 credits required for graduation (max. 32 credits)
<i>Art or Music</i>	1 Credit
<i>Community Service</i>	1 Credit (100 Hours = 1 Credit)
<i>English</i>	5 Credit (2 literature courses are required)
<i>Language</i>	3 Credits (2 sequential courses are required)
<i>Mathematics</i>	4 Credits
<i>Physical Education/Health</i>	1 Credit (1 ¼ credit course per year)
<i>Science</i>	4 Credits (2 laboratory courses are required)
<i>Social Sciences</i>	4 Credits (US History and American Government are required)

Grades and Ranking

Emerson utilizes a 10-point grade scale and does not rank its students. Students' unweighted, cumulative grade point averages are calculated each semester. Letter grades are received for each course while some courses offer a pass/fail option.

Emerson has long been at the forefront among those schools who have resisted the negative influence of standardized testing on creative teaching and critical inquiry. Emerson is not a "teach-to-the-test" school and welcomes to our diverse student body students who have testing anxiety, are twice exceptional, and are international students with growing English language ability. Emerson graduates are thoroughly prepared for higher learning without undue emphasis on standardized tests.

Faculty

Emerson faculty members are skilled educators, adaptive leaders, and engaging mentors. With an average class size of 7 students, each Emerson student is front and center for their Emerson experience. Our faculty members hold advanced, multiple degrees, or have completed extensive post-bachelor work in their field (including MPA and EdD candidates) and support the Emerson mission by guiding students' emotional, intellectual, physical, philosophical, and social development.

For more information about our program, please visit us on the web:
www.emersonprep.org.

Selected College and University Matriculations 2014-2017

- American University
- Bard College
- Becker College
- Bennington College
- Catholic University
- Dickinson College
- Drexel University
- Eckerd College
- Emerson College
- Emory University
- George Mason University
- George Washington University
- Howard University
- Loyola University, New Orleans
- Mary Baldwin College
- Marymount Manhattan College
- Miami University of Ohio
- Pace University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Smith College
- Temple University
- University of Buckingham
- University of Ethiopia
- University of Maryland
- University of Vermont
- Virginia Commonwealth University