CHESHIRE ACADEMY

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP DIPLOMA DISTINCTION

Understand and improve the interconnected systems that shape our world

A companion to the highly regarded International Baccalaureate® Diploma Programme at Cheshire Academy, the Global Citizenship (GC) Diploma Distinction is a global affairs concentration within the academic program. The GC pathway is suited for students interested in pursuing an education with greater focus on leadership, sustainability, service, and diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice.

WHY EARN A GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP DISTINCTION?



With a GC distinction, you will be recognized at Commencement and receive a special citation on your diploma. More importantly, you will tap into your intrinsic sense of global justice, ethics, and discernment, and prepare to make a difference at the collegiate and professional level. This concentration allows you to focus your studies on issues that matter the most to you – and are important to the world at large.

STAND OUT *on your college application*

Develop your skills:
- Ethics
- Leadership
- Logic
- Research

Benefit from:
- Rigorous curriculum
- Global perspective
- Study abroad
- Faculty mentors

WHY GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AT CHESHIRE?

A History of International-Mindedness

One of the oldest boarding schools in the United States, Cheshire Academy was also one of the first schools to admit international students. Recognized as a leader in international education, the Academy most notably offers the world-renowned IB Diploma complemented by a research-based executive coaching program. In addition to being part of a global community here, you'll get the chance to participate in the **Global Citizenship Exchange Program** in your 11th-grade year.

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CHESHIRE ACADEMY FOUNDED – OLDEST BOARDING SCHOOL IN CT

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ONE OF THE FIRST IN U.S. TO WELCOME INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

371
STUDENTS

from

14 STATES | **15** COUNTRIES | **5** CONTINENTS



GLOBALLY FOCUSED CURRICULAR ENHANCEMENTS

Cheshire Academy's recent overhaul of its course offerings was the largest since becoming an **IB World School in 2011**. Many existing courses were reimagined and new courses added as part of the Global Citizenship Diploma Distinction, creating dynamic yearlong and semester courses in relevant topics in the humanities.

Choose from a host of heavily experiential, project- and inquiry-based course offerings. The program includes a **yearlong Global Citizenship Seminar** course, preparing you to launch a **capstone project** to be presented at an end-of-year academic exposition.

COURSE SAMPLING:

- Sustainable Energy
- Journalism & Multimedia Reporting
- Green Chemistry
- World Religions
- Logic & Probability
- Literature & the Enviroment
- Big Data
- Genetics & Biotechnology
- STEM & Research Methodology

WHO CAN PURSUE THE GC DISTINCTION?

The GC Diploma Distinction is available to students starting in 11th grade. Beginning in your 10th-grade year, you will have the chance to indicate your interest while working one-on-one with a college counselor to choose your unique course schedule.



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ACADEMIC VISION STATEMENT

Cheshire Academy aims to provide the best (anywhere) education for global citizenship.

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Cheshire Academy supports students' deeper understanding of international issues through the Global Citizenship Exchange Program. With a true exchange model, students from St. George's College, Quilmes, a fellow **International Baccalaureate® World School** in Buenos Aires, **Argentina**, study in a short-term program at Cheshire Academy, and a select group of GC Diploma Distinction candidates go on to study in Argentina. Global Citizenship candidates approved for the immersion experience take one month of classes at St. George's College. The program will be expanded to more countries in future semesters.

OUTCOMES

The Global Citizenship Distinction is a launch pad for many paths after graduation – all of which provide recipients with the opportunity to change the world for the better. Students who focus on sustainability, service, leadership, and other GC topics might choose majors, and go on to fulfilling careers, in:

- Biotechnology
- Environmental Studies
- Global Affairs
- International Relations
- Medicine
- Public Policy



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Grades 9-12 and Postgraduate
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